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TABLE 7.1: GOVERNMENT FINANCIAL OPERATIONS 1)

	2019	2020	2021	2022	2021				2022				2023		
	2015		2021		I	II	III	IV	I	II	III	IV	I	II	III
. Total revenue	1,402.4	1,062.2	1,090.7	1,311.4	223.0	269.4	273.5	324.9	271.2	372.4	318.0	349.9	359.2	489.6	404.9
A. Tax revenue	1,236.2	937.5	941.0	1,173.0	200.8	239.2	237.5	263.6	250.0	331.1	270.5	321.4	323.6	431.5	336.8
Taxes on income and profit	486.7	389.7	285.0	378.7	61.7	80.3	58.9	84.2	66.7	134.8	66.2	111.0	87.3	176.5	86.
2. Taxes on commodities	338.6	239.0	300.6	345.6	59.4	71.3	82.9	87.0	77.5	80.7	83.7	103.7	85.1	87.5	90.
Taxes on property	91.9	93.7	99.4	125.6	25.6	27.6	24.6	21.7	30.6	33.6	36.2	25.1	28.4	36.0	25.
Taxes on services	52.1	23.7	32.2	46.0	5.9	7.5	9.6	9.1	10.7	11.6	12.3	11.5	27.3	30.6	26.
Turnover tax (B.B.O./ B.A.V.P.)	215.6	150.0	181.1	222.6	39.1	42.7	50.0	49.3	52.1	56.8	58.1	55.6	76.5	84.0	93.
Foreign exchange tax	51.3	41.3	42.7	54.5	9.0	9.8	11.6	12.3	12.4	13.7	13.9	14.5	19.1	16.9	15.
B. Nontax revenue	166.2	124.7	149.6	138.4	22.2	30.2	36.0	61.3	21.1	41.3	47.5	28.5	35.5	58.1	68.
1. Grants 2)	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.
2. Other nontax revenue 3)	166.2	124.7	149.6	138.4	22.2	30.2	36.0	61.3	21.1	41.3	47.5	28.5	35.5	58.1	68.
. Expenditure	1,389.5	1,860.9	1,546.4	1,379.2	383.2	435.8	392.9	334.6	320.0	337.6	349.2	372.5	340.3	373.0	330.
1. Wages	396.0	356.2	347.0	346.8	87.5	92.3	83.4	83.8	87.6	89.2	85.0	85.0	90.4	105.5	90.
Employer's contribution	103.0	95.1	93.8	94.5	23.4	23.9	23.6	22.8	23.5	23.5	24.2	23.3	25.2	23.1	23
Wage subsidies	128.8	112.2	107.0	100.0	28.7	24.6	27.3	26.4	17.8	24.4	27.9	30.0	31.3	29.7	29
Goods and services	282.9	312.6	271.9	319.6	56.3	67.9	75.8	72.0	67.3	74.8	84.4	93.1	75.7	74.2	67
5. Interest	218.0	237.0	243.3	246.1	60.8	60.6	70.2	51.7	58.3	59.7	73.3	54.7	61.6	67.2	72
Development fund spending	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0
7. Investment	35.0	34.7	15.6	13.5	2.0	2.3	6.5	4.7	2.3	2.2	4.7	4.2	3.0	2.4	2
8. Transfer to General Health Insurance (AZV)	0.0	122.7	56.2	0.0	21.1	21.1	14.1	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0
Transfers and subsidies	225.9	590.3	411.6	258.6	103.4	143.0	92.1	73.2	63.1	63.8	49.6	82.2	53.0	71.0	44
. Lending minus repayments	16.0	14.9	15.5	12.4	2.5	1.0	9.8	2.2	3.4	-0.4	7.4	2.0	2.4	-0.5	7
1. Lending	21.6	19.2	18.2	17.2	2.9	1.7	10.7	2.9	4.2	0.5	9.5	3.0	3.3	0.1	9
2. Repayments 5)	-5.6	-4.4	-2.8	-4.8	-0.5	-0.7	-0.9	-0.7	-0.8	-0.9	-2.1	-1.0	-1.0	-0.7	-1
. Financial deficit (-)	-3.1	-813.6	-471.2	-80.2	-162.7	-167.4	-129.2	-11.9	-52.2	35.2	-38.5	-24.6	16.5	117.1	67
. Net foreign capital	-13.6	737.8	614.4	60.0	68.0	229.9	206.8	109.7	304.9	-37.2	-183.5	-24.2	-38.5	-40.1	-106
A. Loans received 6)	65.8	846.0	688.1	412.0	71.0	237.0	358.1	22.0	358.0	0.0	0.0	54.1	0.0	23.9	70
B. Repayments on loans	-121.6	-155.5	-186.1	-340.2	-2.9	-3.1	-151.1	-28.9	-38.3	-38.8	-183.4	-79.8	-38.3	-65.4	-176
C. Other financial transactions	42.1	47.4	112.3	-11.9	-0.2	-3.9	-0.2	116.6	-14.9	1.5	-0.1	1.5	-0.2	1.4	1
. Net domestic capital 7)	-11.2	61.9	-15.0	4.0	23.8	0.6	9.4	-48.9	58.1	1.1	24.3	-79.5	60.1	-42.1	9
A. Loans received	197.2	205.4	-0.5	56.9	0.0	0.0	0.0	-0.5	0.0	0.0	0.0	56.9	0.0	132.1	85
B. Repayments on loans	-126.4	-141.3	-72.6	-105.9	-1.2	-1.2	-1.2	-69.1	-1.2	-22.2	-1.3	-81.2	-1.3	-92.3	-21
C. Other financial transactions	-82.0	-2.2	58.2	114.4	25.0	1.8	10.6	20.8	59.3	23.2	25.6	-55.1	61.5	-84.8	-53
. Net recourse to the monetary system (-)	-68.6	34.9	103.5	7.3	-68.4	55.2	79.9	36.7	312.6	1.1	-181.3	-125.1	40.5	53.1	37
A. Loans received	-80.2	66.9	72.0	-55.5	0.0	-3.6	3.0	72.6	12.6	0.0	6.1	-74.2	0.1	6.2	
B. Drawings on deposits	-1.8	19.0	-7.4	63.7	-88.5	39.1	77.7	-35.7	300.2	1.2	-187.1	-50.6	40.9	11.5	19
-Earmarked	1.5	30.5	-30.0 22.6	33.0	-30.2	0.9 38.2	31.6	-32.3	313.7 -13.5	-47.3	-187.2 0.1	-46.2	6.3 34.6	-21.6 33.1	3
-Free C. Other	-3.4 13.5	-11.5 -50.8	38.8	30.7 -1.0	-58.3 20.0	38.2 19.7	46.1 -0.7	-3.4 -0.2	-13.5 -0.2	48.5 -0.2	-0.2	-4.4 -0.4	-0.4	35.1	16 17
Timing and accounting differences (incl. errors and omissions)	40.6	-48.9	24.8	-23.5	-2.5	8.0	7.1	12.2	-1.8	-2.1	-16.4	-3.2	-2.4	-18.3	-66
. Memorandum items 8)															
A. Unmet financing requirements (expenditure arrears)	97.2	76.1	99.7	67.9	106.2	103.1	89.4	99.7	103.3	102.7	100.8	67.9	86.3	69.2	91
B. Financial deficit (-)	-20.6	-792.4	-494.8	-48.3	-192.8	-164.3	-115.5	-22.3	-55.8	35.8	-36.7	8.4	-1.9	134.2	44

¹⁾ Preliminary figures and estimates on a cash basis.

Including debt forgiveness.

Including divend distributions.

⁴⁾ Residual item, including errors and omissions.

⁵⁾ In the second quarter of 2002, an early debt repayment of Afl. 45 million was received from Utilities N.V. related to the taking over of certain assets from the government in 1992.

⁶⁾ Includes net-borrowing on behalf of public institutions.

⁷⁾ Net long-term capital attracted from nonmonetary sectors mainly by issuing government bonds. The commercial bank's purchases of such bonds are included under item 7a, while the nonresident's purchases are included under 5.

⁸⁾ The memorandum items for the fourth quarter of 2010 and 2011 are based on data provided by the DF and hence does not include the disputed amount between the government of Aruba and the APFA.

TABLE 7.2: GOVERNMENT REVENUE

	2019	2020	2021	2022	2021				2022				2023		
					I	II	III	IV	I	II	III	IV	I	II	III
TOTAL REVENUE	1,402.4	1,062.2	1,090.7	1,311.4	223.0	269.4	273.5	324.9	271.2	372.4	318.0	349.9	359.2	489.6	404.9
TAX REVENUE	1,236.2	937.5	941.0	1,173.0	200.8	239.2	237.5	263.6	250.0	331.1	270.5	321.4	323.6	431.5	336.8
Taxes on income and profit Of which:	486.7	389.7	285.0	378.7	61.7	80.3	58.9	84.2	66.7	134.8	66.2	111.0	87.3	176.5	86.2
-Wage tax	267.1	219.4	190.4	218.9	52.3	41.7	46.7	49.6	56.3	52.0	54.0	56.7	64.3	53.6	56.8
-Income tax	60.6	35.2	14.6	31.5	2.3	2.0	3.0	7.3	4.9	4.0	5.4	17.3	15.1	9.3	6.6
-Profit tax	159.0	135.1	80.1	128.3	7.1	36.5	9.2	27.3	5.5	78.8	6.8	37.1	7.9	113.6	22.7
-Solidarity tax	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
Taxes on commodities	338.6	239.0	300.6	345.6	59.4	71.3	82.9	87.0	77.5	80.7	83.7	103.7	85.1	87.5	90.1
Of which:	72.0	(2.0	co 2	71.4	16.4	17.0	10.2	17.7	17.7	10.5	17.7	17.6	10.0	10.4	10.2
-Excises on gasoline	73.8	62.0	69.3	71.4	16.4	17.0	18.3	17.7	17.7	18.5	17.7	17.6	18.0	18.4	18.2
-Excises on tobacco	15.2 31.4	12.2 19.8	14.6	14.7 29.5	4.4	2.8	4.8 7.7	2.6	6.0	2.1 7.2	1.7	5.0	1.2 8.0	2.6	2.7 7.0
-Excises on beer			26.8		4.9	6.2		8.0	7.1		7.2	8.1		7.8	
-Excises on liquor	31.6	17.7	33.3	32.2	4.8	7.9	8.4	12.2	6.8	7.7	6.9	10.8	6.8	7.9	7.6
-Import duties	186.7	127.4	156.7	197.7	28.8	37.5	43.7	46.6	39.9	45.2	50.3	62.3	51.0	50.7	54.6
Taxes on property Of which:	91.9	93.7	99.4	125.6	25.6	27.6	24.6	21.7	30.6	33.6	36.2	25.1	28.4	36.0	25.3
-Motor vehicle fees	27.3	27.8	27.8	26.0	16.8	2.5	3.5	4.9	15.5	3.8	2.4	4.3	16.2	4.6	1.7
-Succession tax	0.6	0.5	1.3	0.5	1.2	0.1	0.0	0.0	0.1	0.2	0.2	0.0	0.0	0.3	0.0
-Land tax	39.1	38.2	45.0	52.0	3.9	18.9	13.1	9.2	4.1	20.5	17.0	10.5	6.0	27.0	15.2
-Transfer tax	24.9	27.2	25.3	47.0	3.7	6.1	7.9	7.6	10.8	9.2	16.7	10.3	6.2	4.1	8.4
Taxes on services	52.1	23.7	32.2	46.0	5.9	7.5	9.6	9.1	10.7	11.6	12.3	11.5	27.3	30.6	26.5
Of which:															
-Gambling licenses	25.0	11.2	14.4	21.5	2.9	3.3	4.0	4.1	5.4	5.6	5.0	5.5	7.1	5.9	5.0
-Hotel room tax	7.5	2.8	5.0	7.5	0.8	1.1	1.6	1.5	1.7	2.0	2.0	1.9	15.7	19.6	16.9
-Stamp duties	2.4	1.7	0.6	1.9	0.1	0.1	0.1	0.2	0.4	0.2	1.0	0.3	0.3	0.9	0.5
-Other	17.3	8.0	12.2	15.2	2.1	2.9	3.8	3.4	3.3	3.8	4.2	3.9	4.2	4.2	4.1
Turnover tax (B.B.O./ B.A.V.P.)	215.6	150.0	181.1	222.6	39.1	42.7	50.0	49.3	52.1	56.8	58.1	55.6	76.5	84.0	93.0
Foreign exchange tax	51.3	41.3	42.7	54.5	9.0	9.8	11.6	12.3	12.4	13.7	13.9	14.5	19.1	16.9	15.9
NONTAX REVENUE	166.2	124.7	149.6	138.4	22.2	30.2	36.0	61.3	21.1	41.3	47.5	28.5	35.5	58.1	68.0
Of which:		0.5	0.7	0.5	0 -	0.5			0 -	0.5	0.5		0.5	0.5	
-Grants 1)	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
-Other nontax revenue 2)	166.2	124.7	149.6	138.4	22.2	30.2	36.0	61.3	21.1	41.3	47.5	28.5	35.5	58.1	68.0

¹⁾ The first quarter of 2009 includes the receipt by the government of part of the proceeds of the sale of the shares of the Plant Hotel N.V. from the Dutch government.

2) Including debt forgiveness and dividend distributions.

Source: Tax Collector's Office; CBA.

TABLE 7.3: GOVERNMENT'S POSITION WITH THE MONETARY SYSTEM

	Domest	tic deposits					Gross liquidity	Liabilities to			Net liability	Change in net	
		Central Bank				Commercial banks		position	Monetary authorities	Commercial banks	Total	to the monetary system	liability during period
		Free	Earmarked	Earmarked Development		Total Demand Developme		_					
End of			funds		funds								
					(4=			(7=			(10=	(11=	
period		(1)	(2)	(3)	1+2+3)	(5)	(6)	4+5+6)	(8)	(9)	8+9)	10-7)	(12)
2019		5.6	11.7	0.0	17.3	106.5	0.0	123.9	139.7	486.8	626.5	502.6	68.6
2020		53.2	42.2	0.0	95.4	47.4	0.0	142.7	190.5	419.9	610.5	467.7	-34.9
2021		29.5	12.2	0.0	41.7	93.7	0.0	135.5	151.8	347.9	499.7	364.3	-103.5
2022		24.4	45.2	0.0	69.6	129.5	0.0	199.2	152.8	403.4	556.2	357.0	-7.3
2021	I	2.4	12.0	0.0	14.4	39.9	0.0	54.4	170.6	419.9	590.6	536.2	68.4
	II	32.3	12.9	0.0	45.2	48.2	0.0	93.4	150.9	423.5	574.4	481.0	-55.2
	Ш	16.6	44.5	0.0	61.1	110.0	0.0	171.1	151.6	420.5	572.2	401.0	-79.9
	IV	29.5	12.2	0.0	41.7	93.7	0.0	135.5	151.8	347.9	499.7	364.3	-36.7
2022	I	13.3	325.9	0.0	339.2	96.4	0.0	435.6	152.0	335.3	487.3	51.7	-312.6
	II	33.0	278.6	0.0	311.6	125.2	0.0	436.8	152.2	335.3	487.5	50.6	-1.1
	III	26.1	91.4	0.0	117.5	132.2	0.0	249.7	152.4	329.2	481.6	231.9	181.3
	IV	24.4	45.2	0.0	69.6	129.5	0.0	199.2	152.8	403.4	556.2	357.0	125.1
2023	I	37.6	51.5	0.0	89.1	150.9	0.0	240.1	153.2	403.3	556.5	316.5	-40.5
	II	31.4	29.9	0.0	61.3	190.2	0.0	251.4	117.7	397.1	514.8	263.4	-53.1
	Ш	46.7	33.0	0.0	79.7	191.1	0.0	270.8	100.3	396.2	496.5	225.7	-37.7

TABLE 7.4: OUTSTANDING GOVERNMENT DEBT

	2019	2020	2021	2022	2021				2022				2023		
					I	II	III	IV	I	II	III	IV	I	II	III
1. Total Debt	4,318.9	5,145.6	5,655.6	5,715.6	5,229.7	5,453.5	5,640.4	5,655.6	6,013.0	5,970.0	5,815.7	5,715.6	5,760.2	5,628.0	5,619.4
2. Domestic Debt	2,117.2	2,202.9	2,120.2	2,154.1	2,218.3	2,222.2	2,207.2	2,120.2	2,182.9	2,196.9	2,229.1	2,154.1	2,234.1	2,120.5	2,216.8
A. Negotiable	1,407.6	1,479.0	1,327.8	1,402.2	1,458.8	1,442.4	1,439.3	1,327.8	1,327.8	1,327.8	1,321.8	1,402.2	1,402.2	1,394.0	1,453.7
1.Treasury bills	100.0	145.0	105.0	105.0	125.0	105.0	105.0	105.0	105.0	105.0	105.0	105.0	105.0	69.0	51.
2.Cash loan certificates	0.0	5.0	5.0	5.0	5.0	5.0	5.0	5.0	5.0	5.0	5.0	5.0	5.0	5.0	5.
3.Government bonds	1,307.6	1,329.0	1,217.8	1,292.2	1,328.8	1,332.4	1,329.3	1,217.8	1,217.8	1,217.8	1,211.8	1,292.2	1,292.2	1,320.0	1,397.
B. Non-negotiable	709.7	723.9	792.4	751.9	759.6	779.8	767.9	792.4	855.2	869.1	907.4	751.9	831.9	726.5	763.
1. Short-term	95.2	61.0	138.1	112.0	98.1	119.5	108.8	138.1	175.4	196.6	236.3	112.0	193.4	89.6	127.
a. APFA	33.0	22.2	29.4	22.5	36.7	36.6	28.7	29.4	34.9	30.6	35.9	22.5	32.9	21.2	27
b. Suppliers' credit	24.7	11.2	24.6	13.1	18.4	19.7	20.6	24.6	18.7	22.9	19.3	13.1	14.5	14.0	21
c. Other	37.5	27.6	84.0	76.4	43.0	63.2	59.5	84.0	121.8	143.1	181.1	76.4	146.0	54.4	78.
2. Long-term	614.4	662.9	654.3	640.0	661.5	660.3	659.1	654.3	679.8	672.5	671.0	640.0	638.5	636.9	635.
a. APFA	240.6	236.5	231.7	226.6	235.3	234.1	232.9	231.7	230.5	229.2	227.9	226.6	225.3	224.0	222
b. SVB	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0
c. Private loans	373.8	426.4	413.2	404.7	426.2	426.2	426.2	413.2	440.1	434.3	434.3	404.7	404.7	404.7	404
d. Other	0.0	0.0	9.4	8.6	0.0	0.0	0.0	9.4	9.2	9.0	8.8	8.6	8.4	8.2	8.
3. Foreign Debt	2,201.7	2,942.7	3,535.4	3,561.5	3,011.3	3,231.3	3,433.1	3,535.4	3,830.0	3,773.2	3,586.6	3,561.5	3,526.1	3,507.4	3,402.
A. The Netherlands	17.8	429.0	1,090.7	1,445.5	499.7	735.3	1,093.2	1,090.7	1,448.6	1,446.9	1,446.7	1,445.5	1,445.5	1,443.9	1,443.
Development cooperation	16.3	427.6	1,089.4	1,444.3	498.3	733.9	1,091.9	1,089.4	1,447.4	1,445.7	1,445.6	1,444.3	1,444.3	1,442.8	1,442.
2. Commercial loans	1.5	1.4	1.3	1.2	1.4	1.4	1.3	1.3	1.2	1.2	1.1	1.2	1.2	1.2	1.
B. EID	5.2	5.1	4.2	3.5	4.8	4.7	4.5	4.2	4.1	3.6	3.4	3.5	3.6	3.4	3.
C. U.S.A.	1,254.3	1,160.6	1,008.8	802.3	1,155.0	1,157.0	1,008.8	1,008.8	965.6	965.6	802.3	802.3	786.0	786.0	631
D. Other	924.5	1,348.0	1,431.6	1,310.2	1,351.8	1,334.3	1,326.5	1,431.6	1,411.7	1,357.1	1,334.2	1,310.2	1,291.1	1,274.1	1,324

Source: Department of Finance; APFA; CBA.



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General note to the tables

Figures in the tables are quoted in millions of Aruban florin (Afl.), unless otherwise stated. The sum of separate items may differ in the final digit from the total shown, due to rounding.

Data are subject to revision if additional information becomes available.

The following symbols and conventions are used throughout the tables:

blank: not available

0.0: nil

(d): discontinuity in the series; this sign will be accompanied by an explanatory note in the back section of the report.

Explanatory notes to the tables

Table 7.1 Government financial operations

This table provides a summary of the financial operations of the government on a cash basis, including imputed noncash transactions such as the transactions related to the hotel guarantee issue and the APFA debt conversion.

The government, as defined by the CBA, comprises all departments, including the Department of Public Works (DOW), "Landsbedrijf Ontwikkelingsprojecten" (LOP) and the Fondo Desaroyo Aruba (FDA). Thus, excluded are the social security sector, which comprises mainly the Social Security Bank (SVB) and the General Health Insurance (AZV).

In December 2004, following the approval by the Parliament of Aruba of the privatization of the civil servants pension fund, APFA, an agreement between the government and the APFA was reached on a debt conversion pertaining to existing payment arrears in premiums and cost of living allowances and private loans extended by the APFA to the government. The conversion consisted of a 12-year bond and a 35-year annuity loan, while a small part will be settled against future tax liabilities of APFA to the government.

The government finance data for the period between 1992 and 2003 were also revised to include the government's debt assumption, including a debt

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forgiveness, related to the hotel guarantees issued in the past.

Revenue and grants

Comprise receipts recorded by the Tax Collector's Office, the Department of Finance and the CBA. Tax and nontax revenues are classified according to the nature of the base on which the tax is levied or the kind of action which creates the obligation concerned. Grants are unrequited, nonrepayable, non-compulsory receipts from other governments or international institutions. Grants and debt forgiveness are also included in nontax revenue.

Expenditure

Comprises expenditures recorded by the Department of Finance, and the Fondo Desaroyo Arubano (FDA).

Lending minus repayments

This category covers government payments leading to financial claims upon others or to government equity participation in the ownership of enterprises, minus receipts reducing or extinguishing such claims or equity holdings undertaken for public policy purposes.

Net financing

Net financing comprises net foreign capital, nonbank domestic capital, and the net recourse to the monetary system of the government.

Net foreign capital

Includes net-borrowing on behalf of public institutions, bonds issues and private placements on international markets.

Net domestic capital

Includes net-borrowing from nonmonetary sectors, mainly by issuing government bonds and the reclassification of the debt settlement mentioned in the heading expenditure.

Net recourse to the monetary system

Includes commercial banks loans to the government, purchases of government bonds by those banks, drawing on governments' deposits and treasury bills issue.

Memorandum items

The unmet financing requirements comprise all registered payment obligations to other sectors, irrespective of the time frame in which they mature. The financial deficit under this heading includes the change in the unmet financing requirements.

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Table 7.2 Government revenue

This table provides a detailed overview of the total government revenue, subdivided into taxes, nontax revenue and grants.

In March 2003, a debt forgiveness amounting to Afl. 171.7 million granted by the Italian export credit insurer, SACE, to the government as part of the settlement of the hotel guarantees issued in the past was classified as a capital transfer and registered in the item other nontax revenue.

Table 7.3 Government position with the monetary system

This table covers the government's financial position with the CBA and the commercial banks. It gives an overview of the government's deposits with the CBA and the local commercial banks and its liabilities to the monetary authorities and local commercial banks.

Table 7.4 Outstanding government debt

Table 7.4 gives a detailed overview of the outstanding government debt based on information provided by the Department of Finance, the APFA and the CBA. The total debt, excluding the outstanding government guarantees, is divided into a domestic and a foreign debt component. The domestic debt comprises negotiable and nonnegotiable debt, which is further divided into short and long term. The foreign debt, valuated at end-of-

period exchange rates, includes the debt to the Netherlands, the European Investment Bank, the United States and a residual category, comprising among others the Netherlands Antilles. With regard to the latter, governments bonds held by nonresidents are also included.

Data on outstanding government debt for the period between 1992 and 2003 were revised to reflect the government's debt assumption related to the hotel guarantees issued in the past.

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