



## The Centrale Bank van Aruba maintained the reserve requirement for commercial banks at 12.5% effective February 1, 2026

Press Release

The Centrale Bank van Aruba (CBA) decided during the MPC meeting of January 15, 2026 to uphold the reserve requirement rate for commercial banks at 12.5%, effective February 1, 2026.

### Key highlights:

#### 1. Adequate foreign reserves despite credit growth

Up to December 26, 2025, foreign reserves remained amply above the benchmarks monitored by the MPC, even amid increased credit activity. Moreover, the CBA expects foreign reserves to stay adequate.

#### 2. A low inflation environment

Both the end-of-period (EOP) and period average inflation prevailed at low levels of -0.2% and 0.1%, respectively, in November 2025.

#### 3. Global economic uncertainty

Prevailing global uncertainties, including increased geopolitical tensions, may impact foreign exchange reserves and inflation, potentially causing deviations from the current baseline projections.

The CBA monitors monetary and economic indicators closely and adjusts its monetary policy stance as needed to maintain the fixed exchange rate between the florin and the U.S. dollar.

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