Analytical Accounts of Exchange Fund

The following is issued on behalf of the Hong Kong Monetary Authority:

The Hong Kong Monetary Authority (HKMA) released today (October 12) the key analytical accounts of the Exchange Fund at the end of September 2018.

Foreign assets, representing the external assets of the Exchange Fund, increased during the month by HK\$4.7 billion to HK\$3,491.8 billion.

The Monetary Base, comprising Certificates of Indebtedness, Government‑issued currency notes and coins in circulation, the balance of the banking system and Exchange Fund Bills and Notes issued, amounted to HK\$1,619.6 billion.

Claims on the private sector in Hong Kong amounted to HK\$237.4 billion.

The analytical accounts of the Exchange Fund are released in accordance with the International Monetary Fund's Special Data Dissemination Standard (SDDS) and are referred to as the Analytical Accounts of the Central Bank under SDDS (Annex).

Release calendar

Reference Month

The release calendar of the Analytical Accounts of the Exchange Fund for 2019 is announced below:

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January 2019	February 14, 2019
February 2019	March 14, 2019
March 2019	April 12, 2019
April 2019	May 14, 2019
May 2019	June 14, 2019
June 2019	July 12, 2019
July 2019	August 14, 2019
August 2019	September 13, 2019
September 2019	October 14, 2019
October 2019	November 14, 2019
November 2019	December 13, 2019
December 2019	January 14, 2020

At present, four press releases relating to the Exchange Fund's data are

issued by the HKMA each month. Three of these releases are issued to disseminate monetary data in accordance with the International Monetary Fund's Special Data Dissemination Standard (SDDS). The fourth press release, on the Exchange Fund's Abridged Balance Sheet and Currency Board Account, is made in accordance with the HKMA's policy of maintaining a high level of transparency. For the month of October 2018, the scheduled dates for issuing the press releases are as follows:

October 5 (Issued)	SDDS International Reserves (Hong Kong's Latest Foreign Currency Reserve Assets Figures)
October 12	SDDS Analytical Accounts of the Central Bank (Analytical Accounts of the Exchange Fund)
October 31	SDDS Template on International Reserves and Foreign Currency Liquidity
October 31	Exchange Fund Abridged Balance Sheet and Currency Board Account