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Instructions

1. Objective of the Survey

This survey is intended to cover transactions in securities between residents of Canada and non-residents for inclusion in the official estimates of the Canadian balance of payments. For the purposes of this survey the following transactions are considered to be transactions with non-residents:

(a) transactions in securities executed in Canada for the accounts of non-residents; and

(b) transactions in securities executed outside Canada for your own account or for the accounts of clients resident in Canada.

The guiding principle in completing the questionnaire is whether there has been a change in ownership between residents of Canada and non-residents.

2. Who Must Report

All persons or firms in Canada, who, on their own behalf or on behalf of their clients, engage in transactions in securities directly with non-residents are required to report on this questionnaire.⁴ The institution or firm in Canada which actually executes or arranges the security transaction outside Canada is to report the transaction. For example, if a bank in Canada, acting on behalf of a client in London, England, sells a security through a Canadian investment dealer, the bank, rather than the investment dealer, is to report a purchase from the United Kingdom.

3. Basis of Reporting

(a) Aggregate return

Respondents with more than one office in Canada are requested to report for the totality of their offices in Canada.

(b) Currency

Transactions are to be reported thousands of Canadian dollars. Where transactions are executed in foreign currencies, they should be converted into Canadian currency using the exchange rates prevailing on the days on which the transaction occured. Conversions based on the noon average for the month, or using exchange rates applied to customers' accounts, are also acceptable. Alternatively, separate questionnaires for individual foreign currencies, appropriately marked, may be submitted.

(c) Commissions and taxes

- (i) For transactions and taxes report as sales the amount (credited on transactions for a Canadian clenk or for your own account (proceeds of sales iess commissions and taxes paid outside Canada). Report as purphases the amount debited for these accounts (cost of purchase plus commissions and taxes paid outside Canada).
- (ii) For transactions executed inside Canada, report as sales the amount debited on transactions for a hon-resident purchaser (coef d eccities **plus** commissions and taxes paid in Canada). Report as purchases the amount credited on transactions for a non-resident seller (proceeds of sales **less** commissions and taxes paid in Canada)

(d) Timing

Settlement dates are a more appropriate basis for the completion of this questionnaire than are trade dates. Where practical reasons becessitate the use of trade dates, it is essential that the questionnaire be adjusted to a settlement basis in respect of buy backs and other important deferred settlement transactions.

4. Geographical Distribution

Transactions with non-residents should be reported under the country or geographical area in which the non-resident is domiciled.

The European Union (apart from the United Kingdom) includes : Austria, Belgium, Cyprus, Czech Republic, Denmark, Estonia, Finland, France, Germany, Greece, Hungary, Ireland, Italy, Latvia, Lithuania, Luxembourg, Malta, Netherlands, Poland, Portugal, Slovakia, Slovenia, Spain, and Sweden.

Middle East refers to Bahrain, Egypt, Iran, Iraq, Israel, Jordan, Kuwait, Lebanon, Oman, Qatar, Saudi Arabia, United Arab Emirates, and Yemen.

* Chartered banks should exclude transactions in foreign securities with non-residents for their own account (Head Office, Canadian Branches or Canadian subsidiaries) as they are reported

5. Residency

- (a) Individuals Residency is determined by the normal place of residence or domicile. Hence individuals who are citizens of a foreign country but are domiciled in Canada are considered to be residents of Canada. Similarly, individuals, including Canadian citizens domiciled outside Canada, are to be treated as non-residents of Canada.
- (b) Corporations In general, corporations are classified as residents of the country in which they are incorporated. Thus, subsidiaries in Canada of foreign corporations are to be treated as residents of Canada. Similarly, foreign subsidiaries of Canadian firms are treated as non-residents. There are, however, exceptions:
 - (i) Unincorporated branches and agencies in Canada of foreign firms are considered to be residents of Canada. Branches and agencies abroad of Canadian firms, particularly branches of investment dealers and banks, are considered to be non-residents of Canada.
 - (ii) Insurance companies The insurance activities in Canada of a foreign insurance company are regarded as those of a Canadian branch, and treated as a Canadian resident. Similarly, the business abroad of Canadian insurance companies is regarded as that of non-resident branch.

6. Classification of Securities

- (a) For purposes of this questionnaire, securities are interpreted broadly including kights, warrants and options, as well as stocks, trust and royalty units, bonds, debentures, asset-backed-securities and similar obligations. Both privately placed and publicly offered issues are to be reported.
- (b) Country of iseue is the country of residence of the issuer. Neither the currency in which a security is denominated not the currency in which the transaction is settled has significance for the purposes of this guestionnaire. Thus, a Canadian issue is a security issued by a resident of Canada regardless of the country of placement, the currency in which it is denominated or the currency used for settlement.
- (c) New Issues A new issue represents generally an additional source of funds to the issuing entity and will therefore include the proceeds from the exercise of rights or warrants. However, also included as new issues are refunding and conversion issues. For practical purposes, a new issue may be taken as occuring immediately after wholesale distribution, to include initial distribution to principals.
- (d) Outstanding issues All issues other than those defined as new issues are to be treated as outstanding. Rights, warrants and all mutual funds' units are to be treated as outstanding securities.
- (e) Redemption Maturing bonds or debentures and issues called for complete or partial redemption prior to maturity are to be included as purchases of outstanding securities and the issues identified. Purchases from non-residents by issuers of their own bonds, debentures, or stocks (as, for example, in the case of purchases for sinking fund purposes) are also to be reported in outstanding securities and issues identified.
- (f) Short-term securities The questionnaire BP-30 should be used in conjunction with questionnaires BP-30A and BP-30B (where applicable) to report transactions in short-term instruments. Respondents not receiving questionnaires BP-30A and BP-30B should report these transactions on this questionnaire (BP-30).
- (g) Buy backs Short-term agreements for the sale and purchase of long-term securities should be treated as short-term transactions.
- (h) Options Total premiums paid to, or received from, non-residents for options contracts should be reported. If the option is exercised, the sale or purchase of the underlying security is to be reported as a transaction in an outstanding security.

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