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To: Members of the Executive Board

From: The Acting Secretary

Subject: Portugal - European Monetary System

The Secretary has received the following memorandum dated April 9, 1992 from Mr. Filosa:

Please inform the Executive Board that the Portuguese Government has decided to join the exchange rate mechanism of the European Monetary System. Fluctuation margins of 6.00 percent will be observed around the bilateral central rates of the escudo for a transitional period. The notional ECU central rate of the escudo since October 8, 1990 (178,735) has been retained, therefore all other ECU central rates remain unchanged.

The bilateral central rates and compulsory intervention rates for the Portuguese escudo vis-à-vis the currencies participating in the Exchange Rate Mechanism are the following:

Currency	Units	Upper limit	Central rate	Lower limit
BEF/LUF	100	396.980	421.513	447.560
DKK	100	2146.600	2279.220	2420.100
DEM	100	8190.000	8693.930	9233.600
ESP	100	125.970	133.753	142.020
FRF	100	2441.300	2592.210	2752.400
IEP	1	219.350	232.905	247.299
ITL	100	10.943	11.619	12.338
NLG	100	7267.000	7715.970	8190.000
GBP	1	241.545	256.470	272.320

All other bilateral central rates and intervention rates within the exchange rate mechanism remain unchanged.

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