

Precision made by the Central Bank of Tunisia

The Governor of the Central Bank of Tunisia points out that the stock of foreign currency assets as at 14 January 2011 amounts to 12.6 billion dinars, corresponding to 9 billion dollars and 143 days of imports. This level is highly comfortable to ensure Tunisia honor its financial and commercial commitments on the due value date. This includes reimbursement of international issues of 450 million euros falling due on 7 April 2011 and 15 billion yens on 27 September 2011.

On the other hand, domestic interbank exchange market continues to operate in normal conditions to ensure settlement of financial and commercial transactions with abroad.

The Governor of the Central Bank of Tunisia denies the information currently spreading about withdrawal of one tonne and a half of gold from the BCT adding that gold stocks have recorded no change for more than 20 years (cf. BCT annual reports and financial statements as well as IMF statistics).