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Holiday Regulations for 01. August, 2000 – Swiss National Holiday

1. **Procedures for 01. August, 2000**
2. **Special Considerations on the day following the National Holiday**

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➲ Front Office / Trading ➲ Middle + Back Office ➲ Auditing / Security Administration	1. Holiday Regulations for 01. August, 2000

01 August, 2000, is the Swiss National Holiday. SWX, the Swiss Exchange, will be closed and there will be no trading in Swiss products on Eurex.

It is also a non-value date for CHF and there will be no CHF payment transactions with SIC/SNB. Settlement of Swiss products through SIS - Segaintersettle AG, Zurich will not be possible. In contrast, it will be possible to make cross-border deliveries in euro for German, Finnish, Italian and Dutch products.

German, Finnish, Italian and Dutch products as well as the Dow Jones STOXX® 50 and Dow Jones Euro STOXX® 50 products will be open for trading as usual for all members on 01 August, 2000.

All Swiss products can be traded again on 02 August, 2000, but no historical transactions can be carried out on Swiss products on that day.

Full details of the regulations for the Swiss holiday can be found in the attachment.

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Following a decision of the Eurex boards of management, only the following euro-denominated products will be open for trading for all members on 01 August, 2000: German, Finnish, Italian and Dutch products as well as the Dow Jones STOXX® 50 and Dow Jones Euro STOXX® 50 products.

1.1 Trading in German, Finnish, Italian, Dutch, Dow Jones STOXX® 50 and Dow Jones Euro STOXX® 50 products

German, Finnish, Italian and Dutch products as well as the Dow Jones STOXX® 50 and Dow Jones Euro STOXX® 50 products can be traded as normal throughout the day. There are no related restrictions, which means that historical transactions, Exercises, Give-Ups, Take-ups, Position Transfers, or Adjustments can be carried out.

1.2 Trading in Swiss Products

No trading will be possible in Swiss products. No historical transactions from trading on 31 July 2000 will be possible, and no Exercises, Give-Ups, Take-ups, Position Transfers or Adjustments can be performed on 01 August, 2000.

1.3 Trading Members

All Trading members will have access to the Eurex system and will be able to trade all of the options and futures products which are open for trading.

1.4 CHF Payments from German Clearing Members

The cash-calls calculated in CHF from the overnight batch processing of 31 July, 2000 (Premium, Variation Margin) cannot be transferred to the SIC system on 01 August, 2000 as a result of the holiday. The amounts will debited or credited to the members' SIC accounts one day later, on Wednesday 02 August, 2000.

1.5 CHF Payments from Swiss Clearing Members

The cash-calls calculated in CHF from the overnight batch processing of 31 July, 2000 (Premium, Variation Margin) will not be debited or credited to the members' SIC accounts on 01 August, 2000. The amounts will be transferred one day later on Wednesday 02 August, 2000 by debit or credit to the cash accounts at SIC. Any cash amounts (Additional or Futures Spread Margins) resulting from the overnight batch of 01 August, 2000 will also be debited or credited to the SIC accounts on 02 August, 2000.

Contrary to the cash calls described above, Margin Calls in CHF on 01 August, 2000 from the overnight batch on 31 July, 2000 are possible. The equivalent amount of these Margin Calls must be deposited for one day in euro at the Landeszentralbank Hessen, Frankfurt (LZB). Non-compliance will result in the application of the Eurex default procedure pursuant to section 1.7 of the Eurex Clearing Conditions. The euro amounts deposited by Swiss Clearing members will be repaid on Wednesday 02 August, 2000 after completion of settlement in CHF.

Due to the procedure above, on 02 August, 2000, it is possible that two payment instructions could be received on a member's SIC account resulting from the batches of 31 July, 2000 and 01 August, 2000.

1.6 Euro Payments from German Clearing Members

The cash amounts (Cash Calls) calculated in euro for Premium and Variation Margin, as well as possible Margin Calls, from the batch of 31 July, 2000 will be credited or debited to members' cash accounts at LZB on 01 August, 2000, as on any normal day.

1.7 Euro Payments from Swiss Clearing Members

The euro payments due (Premium, Variation Margin) from the batch of 31 July, 2000 will be booked to the cash accounts at LZB on 01 August, 2000. On request, the Eurex Clearing House can support Swiss Clearing Members in procurement of euro against corresponding CHF amounts. The Eurex default procedure, pursuant to section 1.7 of the Eurex Clearing Conditions will be applied in case of default.

Premium and Variation Margin for European products traded on 01 August, 2000 by Swiss Clearing Members or their NCMs in German, Finnish, Italian, and Dutch products, as well as the Dow Jones STOXX® 50 and Dow Jones Euro STOXX® 50 products, will be due as normal on the following day, 02 August, 2000

1.8 Clearstream Deliveries

The business operations of Clearstream Banking AG (formerly DBC) are not affected by the holiday in Switzerland, and delivery instructions in German, Finnish, Italian and Dutch products can be executed. Cross-border settlement is also possible. SIS will keep the " German, Finnish, Italian and Dutch " segment open on 01 August, so that deliveries between Swiss members can be carried out as on a normal trading day. Deliveries from exercise/assignment of cross-border instructions will be settled at T+2 for German products, T+4 for Finnish products, and T+3 for Italian and Dutch products

1.9 SIS Deliveries

As a result of the suspension of service by SIS on 01 August, 2000 delivery instructions for Swiss products cannot be carried out on that day. The corresponding deliveries will be made one day later. For all deliveries due across 01 August, 2000 (exercises from 27, 28, and 31 July, 2000) the value date will be extended by the system by one day to T+4. Value dates shown on Eurex reports will be automatically adjusted correctly.

Swiss Products:

Thursday 27.07.00	**Friday 28.07.00**	**Monday 31.07.00**	**Tuesday 01.08.00**	**Wednesday 02.08.00**	**Thursday 03.08.00**	**Friday 04.08.00**	**Monday 07.08.00**
Exercise/ Assignment Day T	Day T+1	Day T+2	(Plus 1 day)	**Delivery at SIS Day T+4**			
	Exercise/ Assignment Day T	Day T+1	(Plus 1 day)	Day T+3	**Delivery at SIS Day T+4**		
		Exercise/ Assignment Day T	(Plus 1 day)	Day T+2	Day T+3	**Delivery at SIS Day T+4**	
				Exercise/ Assignment Day T	Day T+1	Day T+2	**Delivery at SIS Day T+3**

1.10 Margin Calculations

On 01 August, 2000 the Eurex Clearing house will levy margin requirements for European and Swiss products. Additional Margin will be calculated for Swiss products, although the products cannot be traded. On 01 August, 2000 it is foreseen to use the settlement prices from the previous trading day (31 July, 2000) for Swiss products, with the value for the Days to Expiration decreased by one day. The theoretical prices for all products will be re-calculated. For Swiss products the theoretical prices will show only a small change as a result of the holiday.

1.11 BOF Files / VALUES Broadcasts

On 01 August, 2000 complete BOF transmissions / VALUES Broadcasts will be sent to members as appropriate.

1.12 Trading Times for German, Finnish, Italian and Dutch products as well as the Dow Jones STOXX® 50 and Dow Jones Euro STOXX® 50 Products

Normal trading hours for the various products will apply on 01 August, 2000, and their post-trading periods will end as on normal days. Exercises can be carried out until the usual times.

1.13 Settlement Prices for Swiss Products

Settlement prices for Swiss products will be fixed during the course of the morning of 01 August 2000 and will be sent to members as corresponding BOF messages / VALUES broadcasts. These settlement prices will be identical to those of the previous exchange trading day (31 July, 2000). New theoretical prices for all products (as on any normal day) will be generated during the batch and transmitted to members after the calculation.

1.14 Netting of Swiss Positions on 31 July, 2000

Swiss positions from 28 July, 2000 can be closed out on Monday 31 July, 2000 until 13.30 without incurring any charges. By close of trading, positions from 31 July should also be closed to avoid any late-closing fees, since historical transactions are not possible on 01 August, 2000.

2. Special Considerations for the Day Following the Holiday – Wednesday 02 August

2.1 Trading in Swiss Products

All Swiss products can be traded again on 02 August, 2000, but no historical transactions can be carried out.

2.2 SIC Accounting

As already advised, SIC will receive one invoice or payment advice from Eurex for Swiss or German Clearing members from the batch processing of 31 July, 2000. For Swiss Clearing Members it is possible that a second accounting transaction from the batch of 01 August, 2000 will be transmitted to SIC (collection of Additional or Futures Spread Margin). Clearing members are encouraged to make corresponding CHF arrangements in good time. Margin Calls for Swiss Clearing Members resulting from positions from 31 July, 2000 will be taken into account in the payment advices.

2.3 Open Delivery Instructions (Excluding Cross-border) at SIS

SIS will resume normal business on 02 August, 2000 such that delivery instructions in Swiss products between German and Swiss Clearing Members can be executed.

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