COMMUNIQUÉ 9.419

Announces the authorization for the operation of Clearinghouses and the providers of clearing and settlement services

We hereby communicate that the Board of Governors of the Central Bank of Brazil, in a session held on this date, has granted unqualified authorization for the operation of the settlement systems of the following Clearinghouses and providers of clearing and settlement services:

I – BM&F Foreign Exchange Clearinghouse, for the settlement and the risk management activities of interbank transactions in foreign currency;

II – BM&F Derivatives Clearinghouse, for the settlement and the risk management activities of transactions of derivatives and commodities contracts;

III – CBLC (*Companhia Brasileira de Liquidação e Custódia*), for the settlement of transactions in variable income securities, and in government and corporate fixed income securities carried out in cash or futures markets;

IV – Companhia Brasileira de Meios de Pagamento – Visanet, for the settlement of credit and debit card transactions;

V – Redecard S.A., for the settlement of credit and debit card transactions;

VI – Tecnologia Bancária S.A. – Tecban, for the settlement of debit card and credit orders transactions;

2. The CETIP (*Central de Custódia e de Liquidação Financeira de Títulos*) has been authorized under restrictions.

Brasilia, April 18, 2002

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