## INTERNATIONAL RESERVES: COMPOSITION AND PERFORMANCE AS OF NOVEMBER 2016

At the end of November 2016, **Gross International Reserves** (GIR) amounted to USD 61 455 million, of which 62 percent is invested in securities, 33 percent in deposits and 5 percent in gold and other assets. Regarding their composition by asset class, they maintained a conservative risk profile with predominance of investments in the highest quality securities.

GROSS INTERNATIONAL RESERVES					
(millions USD)					
Asset	12.31.2015	10.31.2016	11.30.2016	Change	
	Balance	Balance	Balance	Change	
Deposits abroad	20 122	21 123	20 505	-618	
Securities	38 491	37 999	38 210	211	
Gold	1 181	1 424	1 308	-116	
Others <u>1</u> /	1 743	1 503	1 432	-71	
TOTAL	61 537	62 049	61 455	-594	

1 / Includes subscriptions of capital to FLAR and credit balances from ALADI.

Term to maturity	11.30.2016
0-3 months	51%
3-12 months	21%
>1 year	28%

Long term rating	11.30.2016	
AAA	43%	
AA+ / AA / AA-	36%	
A+/A/A-	21%	

The value of liquid international assets reached USD 60 094 million, with increases in investments with maturities between 0 and 3 months and those with credit rating A+/A/A-. The duration of the portfolio was 0.60 years at the end of November, similar to that obtained the previous month.

The **Net International Position** at the end of November 2016 reached USD 27 128 million. This aggregate does not include assets financed with public sector and local financial entities.

Currencies	11.30.2016
USD	89%
Other Currencies	6%
Gold	5%

The effective exposure to U.S. dollar in the Net International Position reached 89 percent, while other currencies accounted for 6 percent.

## **ANNEX 1: GLOSSARY OF TERMS**

**Gross International Reserves (GIR).**- Central Bank's GIR¹ are composed mainly of deposits in foreign banks, foreign securities and bonds, gold holdings and any other internationally recognized means of payments such as coins and bills. It also includes subscriptions to international organizations, and the credit balance from the financial agreement signed with other Latin-American central banks as part of the Asociación Latinoamericana de Integración, ALADI².

**Net International Position.**- Central Bank's Net International Position is the difference of assets and liabilities in foreign exchange, both internationally and with residents. These assets could be diversified by currencies and gold.

**Liquid International Assets.**- Assets which can be easily negotiated in the international financial markets. They are the result of excluding from the GIR subscriptions of capital to international financial organizations, such as Fondo Latinoamericano de Reservas (FLAR) and Bank for International Settlements (BIS), IMF's Reserve Tranche Position and trust funds, credit balances from ALADI, and holdings of gold in Central Bank of Peru's vaults.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> The concept used by the Central Bank is consistent with the paragraph 424 of the Manual of the Balance of Payments, IMF, 5<sup>th</sup> Edition.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> See data in http://www.bcrp.gob.pe/publications/weekly-reports/tables.html> "Concepts of international liquidity of the Central Bank of Peru".