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FOREIGN EXCHANGE RATES

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THE TABLE BELOW SHOWS THE AVERAGE RATES OF EXCHANGE OF TWENTY-FOUR CURRENCIES IN AUGUST 1981 TOGETHER WITH COMPARABLE FIGURES FOR OTHER MONTHS. AVERAGES ARE BASED ON DAILY NOON BUYING RATES FOR CABLE TRANSFERS IN NEW YORK CITY CERTIFIED FOR CUSTOMS PURPOSES BY THE FEDERAL RESERVE BANK OF NEW YORK.

(RATES IN U.S. CENTS PER UNIT OF FOREIGN CURRENCY)

COUNTRY	MONETARY UNIT	1981	1981	1981	1980
		AUGUST	JULY	JUNE	AUGUST
AUSTRALIA	DOLLAR	113.9866	114.2716	114.0744	115.7675
AUSTRIA	SCHILLING	5.69675	5.82252	5.95024	7.88402
BELGIUM	FRANC	2.44661	2.50267	2.57337	3.48831
CANADA	DOLLAR	81.7658	82.6012	83.0503	86.2630
DENMARK	KRONE	12.7317	13.0741	13.3835	18.0697
FINLAND	MARKKA	21.6065	22.0445	22.5113	27.3531
FRANCE	FRANC	16.7204	17.2530	17.6788	24.1060
GERMANY	D. MARK	39.9880	40.9772	42.0536	55.8665
INDIA	RUPEE	11.0379	11.2288	11.6875	12.8490
IRELAND	POUND	146.0366	149.3955	153.6067	210.6213
ITALY	LIRA	0.080381	0.082334	0.084362	0.118007
JAPAN	YEN	0.428806	0.430545	0.446210	0.446661
MALAYSIA	DOLLAR	42.1186	42.5190	42.7202	46.4843
MEXICO	PESO	4.0301	4.0650	4.1066	4.3389
NETHERLANDS	GUILDER	36.0091	36.8326	37.8163	51.3049
NEW ZEALAND	DOLLAR	82.3313	83.7708	85.8231	97.7380
NORWAY	KRONE	16.1772	16.3870	16.9071	20.5547
PORTUGAL	ESCUDO	1.49992	1.54285	1.58986	2.01634
SOUTH AFRICA	RAND	105.2704	108.4647	115.1799	131.5490
SPAIN	PESETA	0.99864	1.02478	1.05654	1.38098
SRI LANKA	RUPEE	5.1932	5.3491	5.3970	6.2980
SWEDEN	KRONA	18.8697	19.2930	19.8022	23.9530
SWITZERLAND	FRANC	46.0910	47.6671	48.2255	60.5273
UNITED KINGDOM	POUND	182.0309	187.3690	197.3762	237.0357
MEMO:					
UNITED STATES*	DOLLAR	112.29	109.87	106.86	86.09

*INDEX OF WEIGHTED AVERAGE EXCHANGE VALUE OF U.S. DOLLAR AGAINST CURRENCIES OF OTHER G-10 COUNTRIES PLUS SWITZERLAND. MARCH 1973 = 100. WEIGHTS ARE 1972-76 GLOBAL TRADE OF EACH OF THE 10 COUNTRIES. SERIES REVISED AS OF AUGUST 1978. FOR DESCRIPTION AND BACK DATA, SEE "INDEX OF THE WEIGHTED-AVERAGE EXCHANGE VALUE OF THE U.S. DOLLAR: REVISION" ON PAGE 700 OF THE AUGUST 1978 FEDERAL RESERVE BULLETIN.