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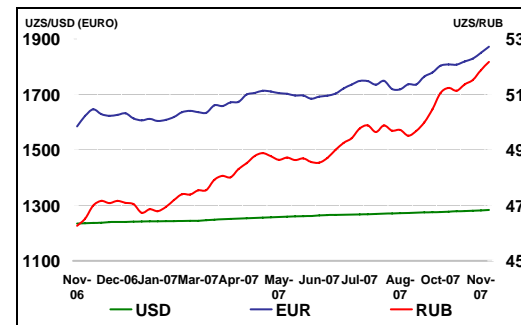
Official exchange rate of the CB RU to major world currencies (UZS)

	13.11.2007	06.11.2007	chg./%
1 USD	1283,01	1281,77	0,10%↑
1 EUR	1871,78	1849,85	1,19%↑
1 GBP	2686,75	2651,08	1,35%↑
10 JPY	112,86	104,24	8,27%↑
1 RUR	52,17	51,87	0,58%↑

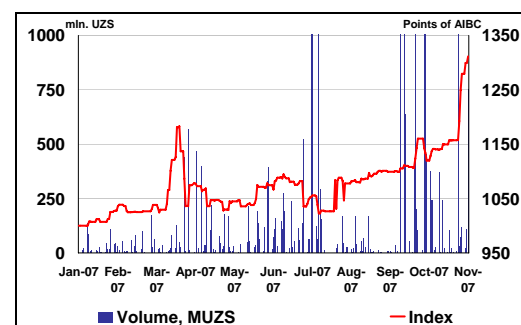
Key interest rates in national currency (in % per annum)

	16.11.2007	Change in 3 months
CBU rate	14,00	0%
UZIBOR (12 m.)	13,71	
AWACRI	20,59	-4,55%
AIBC	1354,781	+24,69%

Dynamics of exchange rates for 52 weeks



AIBC dynamic



The main macroeconomic indicators of Uzbekistan for 2002-2007.

indicator	2002	2003	2004	2005	2006	1H07
GDP, trill. UZS	7,45	9,84	12,2	15,2	20,8	10,1
Real GDP growth %	4,0	4,4	7,7	7	7,3	9,7
State budget execution % to GDP (-deficit./+surplus.)	-0,8	-0,4	-0,4	+0,1	--	+1,9
Foreign trade turnover, billions of USD	5,7	6,7	8,7	9,5	10,7	6,6
Inflation (CPI). %	-	3,8	3,7	7,8	6,8	2,7

Quotations of share prices at exchange list of UzSE «Toshkent» for 15.10.2007

Issuer	Price of last transaction (UZS)	Change (%)	Issuer	Price of last transaction (UZS)	Change (%)
Uzsanoatqurilishbanki	2 100,0	+4%	Xamkor Bank	100,0	-4%
Galla Bank	100,0	0%	Ipak Yuli Bank	100,0	0%
Ipoteka Bank	1 111,0	+11%	Kapital bank	10 500,0	0%
Pakhta Bank	1 050,00	0%	Aloka bank	117,00	0%
Turonbank	1165,00	16.5%			

“Uzbekinvest Hayot” is increasing authorized capital

“Uzbekinvest Hayot” company, which at the present moment is the only active insurer in Uzbekistan specializing in the sphere of life insurance, announced increasing its authorized capital up to 1.5 bln UZS. Authorized capital of the company was registered with Ministry of Justice on November 7 of the current year.

This change of authorized capital fulfills the requirement put forward to insurance companies by the Decree of the President of the Republic of Uzbekistan “On further measures of reforming and developing market for insurance services” dated April 10, 2007, where it says that authorized capital of insurers specializing in life insurance must be no less than equivalent of 750 thousand USD.

SIC “Uzbekinvest Hayot”, founded by national company for export-import insurance “Uzbekinvest”, was established in December, 2003. At the moment the company is offering services to the population such as long-term life insurance, life insurance of borrower, medical insurance, accidental insurance, contagion insurance, medical expenses insurance, personal insurance of people going abroad and others.

Share of MTS is less than 50%

According to the data of russian consulting company ACM-Consulting, number of subscribers of cellular operator “MTS-Uzbekistan” during October, 2007 has increased by 116.6 thousand reaching 2 409 341 users, while “Beeline” users in Uzbekistan has increased by 174.4 thousand totaling 1 806 169 subscribers.

It is notable that “Beeline” is ahead of MTS by monthly growth rate already for the second month in a row, and by the results of 10 months has connected more than 1 mln new subscribers. MTS from the start of the year has increased its number of subscribers by 960 thousand users, which is less by 80 thousand than its closest rival has. An important fact is that MTS for the first time let its share slip below 50% in the Uzbek market – at the start of November about 49% of 4.992 mln subscribers use services of the company. Share of “Beeline” has increased by 0.6 points in October – up to 36.7%.

Consolidated subscribers of “MTS” and “Vimpelcom” at the end of August, 2007 were 82 826 038 and 62 688 373, respectively. Shares of their Uzbek subsidiaries are 2.9%.

Subscribers of MTS and Vimpelcom

Company	01.11.2007	Share, %	Change	Change, %	01.10.2007	Share, %
MTS, including	82 826 038	100,0%	1 188 435	1,4%	81 637 603	100,0%
Russia	55 151 031	66,6%	731 742	1,3%	54 419 289	66,7%
Moscow	12 892 263	15,6%	244 138	1,9%	12 648 125	15,5%
Ukraine (UMC)	19 901 980	24,0%	-4 140	0,0%	19 906 120	24,4%
MTS-Uzbekistan	2 409 341	2,9%	116 612	4,8%	2 292 729	2,8%
Turkmenistan	309 306	0,4%	20 000	6,5%	289 306	0,4%
Armenia (Viva Cell)	1 351 581	1,6%	285 714	21,1%	1 065 867	1,3%
Belarus	3 702 799	4,5%	38 507	1,0%	3 664 292	4,5%
Vimpelcom, including	61 688 373	100,0%	698 071	1,1%	60 990 302	100,0%
Russia	50 640 299	82,1%	343 921	0,7%	50 296 378	82,5%
Moscow	10 414 266	16,9%	97 686	0,9%	10 316 580	16,9%
Kazakhstan (KaR-Tel)	5 656 697	9,2%	200 192	3,5%	5 456 505	8,9%
Ukraine (WellCOM)	2 757 743	4,5%	20 743	0,8%	2 737 000	4,5%
Tajikistan	322 713	0,5%	27 664	8,6%	295 049	0,5%
Uzbekistan	1 806 169	2,9%	174 496	9,7%	1 631 673	2,7%
Armenia (Armentel)	461 358	0,7%	-77 053	-16,7%	538 411	0,9%
Georgia	43 394	0,1%	8 108	18,7%	35 286	0,1%

Source: ACM-Consulting, Calculations: Avesta Research

The Japanese are offered to participate in geologic exploration

National Holding Company (NHC) "Uzbekneftegaz" offered Japanese National Corporation of oil, gas and metals (Jogmec) to take part in exploration works of oil and gas containing regions of Uzbekistan, vesti.uz informs.

Undiscovered potential resources of hydrocarbons at these fields are about 100 mln tons of fuel equivalents. In April, 2007 "Uzbekneftegaz" and Jogmec has signed memorandum on mutual understanding and cooperation, which has a clause making provision for cooperation in exploring and developing hydrocarbons in Uzbekistan.

Japanese investors should speed up their decisions regarding the exploration of resources in the oil and gas complex of Uzbekistan, as this sector at the moment is very attractive for foreign investors.

In Uzbekistan 44 investment blocks are selected, where foreign investors can undertake exploration works. At the present moment in Uzbekistan 202 hydrocarbon deposits are discovered. Out of them 50% are in the development stage, 35% are ready for development, the rest is being explored.

NHC "Uzbekneftegaz" – monopolistic operator of the oil and gas complex of Uzbekistan – was established in 1998 and unites 6 joint stock companies. Uzbekistan is #2 producer of natural gas among CIS countries and one of the top-10 gas producers in the world. Annually in the country, 60 bln cubic kilometers of natural gas is extracted, part of it is exported.

Comments on trade results at RSE "Toshkent"

Sales volume on November 16, 2007 at RSE "Toshkent" was 220 mln UZS. 22 306 shares of 10 issuers participated in the trades.

Leader by sales volume was OJSC "Uzbekiston", whose volume of transactions was 164 mln UZS. Also, prices of "UzPSB" shares were corrected, the day before they were selling at 2 990 UZS per share, however today price fell to the point of primary market price. The biggest increase of price over nominal value was recorded on "Toshkentdonmahsulot" shares – 6.4 times. A day before price of these shares was 580 UZS, which was 5.8 times nominal value.

Trading results at RSE "Toshkent" (16.11.2007)

Emitter	Region	Sector	Max price, Soum/\$	Number of shares, units	Volume, Soum	P/NBV
Uzbekiston	Tashkent city	Other	30 402	5 405	164 322 810	1,00
UzPSB	Tashkent city	Bank	2 400	14 678	34 587 200	1,20
Kogon don mahsulotlari	Bukhara	Food	12 000	1 338	16 056 000	6,00
Khorazm ipagi	Khorezm	Cotton and textile	6 000	547	3 282 000	1,10
Issiklikelektrloyiha	Tashkent city	FEC	15 000	61	915 000	1,50
Kvarts	Ferghana	Construction	5 100	140	714 000	2,21
Dunyo-M	Kashkadarya	Food	3 228	18	58 104	3,23
Toshkentdonmahsulot	Tashkent city	Food	640	75	48 000	6,40
Dustlik don mahsulotlari	Djizzak	Food	2 532	15	37 980	2,53
Zarbdor elevatori	Djizzak	Food	634	29	18 386	3,17
Total:				22 306	220 039 480	

Source: RSE «Toshkent», Calculations: Avesta Investment Group

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