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## DOMESTIC NEWS

The Ugandan shilling was firmer against the U.S dollar due to a slump in appetite for the hard currency from importers amidst relatively tight liquidity in the local money market arena on Monday.

Greenback inflows from exporters added onto the home unit's strength for the day. Commercial banks quoted the USD/UGX pair at 3715/3735, lower than Friday's close of 3735/3755.

It is plausible that the USD/UGX pair could prolong current trend in the absence of fresh demand as interbank players trim long dollar positions.

Counter Rates	Today's Opening		Forward Rate (USD)	
	Buy TT	Sell TT	1 month	
USD/UGX	3650	3815	Buy	3759
EUR/UGX	4247	4455	Sell	3917
GBP/UGX	4784	4978	3 Months	
KES/UGX	34.27	38.93	Buy	3740
TZS/UGX	1.28	3.00	Sell	3966
RWF/UGX	3.48	6.59		

Key Economic Indicators	Current	Previous
CBR	9.00	9.00
Headline inflation (%)	2.20	1.70
Core inflation (%)	1.60	1.70
Inter-bank O/N (%)	9.0	9.00
Inter-bank 1WK (%)	9.50	9.25

Government Securities	Current Yield (%)	Previous Yield (%)
91-day	10.516	9.051
182-day	12.028	9.974
364-day	14.502	10.761
2-year	13.161	11.25
3-year	16.50	11.86
5-year	14.650	12.63
10-year	17.25	14.38
15-year	14.97	14.43

## INTERNATIONAL NEWS

The U.S. dollar moved off session lows on Monday against its rivals after clawing back losses against the yen, despite U.S. existing home sales falling for the third month in a row. Sales of previously-owned homes in the U.S. fell as tight supply continued to ramp up house prices, deterring potential home buyers, weighing on housing activity.

Sentiment on the U.S. dollar has soured somewhat in the wake of U.S. President Donald Trump's remarks last week, in which he expressed concerns about a stronger greenback, asserting that it was taking away the United States' big competitive edge.

The Sterling remains trapped at the 1.3100 levels versus the greenback on Monday and continues its current trend of slumping to fresh lows heading into today's London market session amidst continued fretting over Brexit.

The EUR/USD pair traded sideways to sessions lows on Monday, as the lack of significant data releases and fundamental developments kept trading actions on the pair calm.

Indicative Cross Rates		
	Buy	Sell
EUR	1.1483	1.1883
GBP	1.2894	1.3297
JPY	111.02	115.02
CHF	0.8017	1.2017
Indicative Deposit Rates		
	UGX > 100 million	USD > 100,000
1 month	6.00	0.5
3 months	6.50	0.75
6 months	7.00	1.00
12 months	7.50	1.25
Commodities		
Crude Oil	\$ 67.69	
Gold	\$ 1,220.60	