

Notes to Consolidated Interim Balance Sheet

1. Amounts less than one million yen have been omitted.
2. Transactions for trading purposes (seeking gains arising from short-term changes in interest rates, currency exchange rates, or market prices of securities and other market related indices or from variation among markets) are included in “Trading assets” or “Trading liabilities” on the consolidated interim balance sheet on a contract date basis.
Securities and monetary claims purchased for trading purposes are stated at the interim term-end market value, and financial derivatives such as swaps, futures and options are stated at amounts that would be settled if the transactions were terminated at the consolidated interim balance sheet date.
3. Debt securities that consolidated subsidiaries have the positive intent and ability to hold to maturity are classified as held-to-maturity securities and are carried at amortized cost (straight-line method) using the moving-average method.
Investments in unconsolidated subsidiaries and affiliates that are not accounted for by the equity method are carried at cost using the moving-average method.
Securities other than trading purpose securities, held-to-maturity securities and investments in unconsolidated subsidiaries and affiliates are classified as “other securities” (available-for-sale securities). Stocks in other securities that have market prices are carried at the average market prices during the final month of the interim term, and bonds and others that have market prices are carried at their interim term-end market prices (cost of securities sold is calculated using primarily the moving-average method). Other securities with no available market prices are carried at cost or amortized cost using the moving-average method. Net unrealized gains (losses) on other securities, net of income taxes, are included in “Stockholders’ equity,” after deducting the amount that is reflected in the interim term’s earnings because of application of fair value hedge accounting.
4. Securities included in “Money held in trust” are carried in the same way as in Notes 2 and 3.
5. Derivative transactions, excluding those classified as trading derivatives, are carried at fair value, though some consolidated overseas subsidiaries account for derivative transactions in accordance with their local accounting standards.
6. Premises and equipment owned by Sumitomo Mitsui Financial Group, Inc. (SMFG) and its consolidated subsidiary, Sumitomo Mitsui Banking Corporation (SMBC) are depreciated using the straight-line method for premises and the declining-balance method for equipment. They calculated the depreciation cost for the interim term by proportionally allocating the estimated annual cost to the interim term. The estimated useful lives of major items are as follows:
Buildings: 7 to 50 years
Equipment: 2 to 20 years
Other consolidated subsidiaries depreciate premises and equipment, and lease assets primarily using the straight-line method over the estimated useful lives of the respective assets and the straight-line method over the lease term based on the residual value of assets at the end of the lease term, respectively.
7. Capitalized software for internal use owned by SMFG and its consolidated domestic subsidiaries is depreciated using the straight-line method over its estimated useful life (basically five years).
8. SMBC’s assets and liabilities denominated in foreign currencies and overseas branches’ accounts are translated into Japanese yen mainly at the exchange rate prevailing at the consolidated interim balance sheet date, with the exception of stocks of subsidiaries and affiliates translated at rates prevailing at the time of acquisition.
Other consolidated subsidiaries’ assets and liabilities denominated in foreign currencies are translated into Japanese yen at the exchange rate prevailing at their respective balance sheet dates.
9. Reserve for possible loan losses of major consolidated subsidiaries is provided as detailed below in accordance with the internal standards for write-offs and reserves.
For claims on borrowers that have entered into bankruptcy, special liquidation proceedings or similar legal proceedings (“bankrupt borrowers”) or borrowers that are not legally or formally insolvent but are regarded as substantially in the same situation (“effectively bankrupt borrowers”), a reserve is provided based on the amount of claims, after the write-off stated below, net of the expected amount of recoveries from collateral and guarantees.
For claims on borrowers that are not currently bankrupt but are likely to become bankrupt in the future (“potentially bankrupt borrowers”), a reserve is provided in the amount deemed necessary based on an overall solvency assessment of the claims, net of the expected amount of recoveries from collateral and guarantees.
Discounted Cash Flows (DCF) method is used for claims on borrowers whose cash flows from collection of principals and interest can be rationally estimated and SMBC applies it to claims on large potentially bankrupt borrowers and claims on large borrowers requiring close monitoring that have been classified as “Past due loans (3 months or more)” or “Restructured loans,” whose total loans from SMBC exceed a certain amount. SMBC establishes a reserve for possible loan losses using the DCF method for such claims in the amount of the difference between the present value of principal and interest (calculated using the rationally estimated cash flows discounted at the initial contractual interest rate) and the book value.
For other claims, a reserve is provided based on the historical loan-loss ratio.
For claims originated in specific countries, an additional reserve is provided in the amount deemed necessary based on the assessment of political and economic conditions.

Branches and credit supervision departments assess all claims in accordance with the internal rules for self-assessment of assets, and the Credit Review Department, independent from these operating sections, audits their assessment. The reserves are provided based on the results of these assessments.

Reserve for possible loan losses of other consolidated subsidiaries for general claims is provided in the amount deemed necessary based on the historical loan-loss ratios, and for doubtful claims in the amount deemed uncollectible based on assessment of each claim.

For collateralized or guaranteed claims on bankrupt borrowers and effectively bankrupt borrowers, the amount exceeding the estimated value of collateral and guarantees is deemed to be uncollectible and written off against the total outstanding amount of the claims. The amount of write-off was 1,774,043 million yen.

10. Reserve for employee bonuses is provided for payment of bonuses to employees, in the amount of estimated bonuses, which are attributable to this interim term.
11. Reserve for employee retirement benefits is provided for payment of retirement benefits to employees, in the amount deemed accrued at interim term-end, based on the projected retirement benefit obligation and fair value of plan assets at this fiscal year-end.
 - Unrecognized prior service cost is amortized using the straight-line method, primarily over 10 years within the employees' average remaining service period at incurrence.
 - Unrecognized net actuarial gain (loss) is amortized using the straight-line method, primarily over 10 years within the employees' average remaining service period, commencing from the next fiscal year of incurrence.
 - Unrecognized net transition obligation from the initial application of the new accounting standard for employee retirement benefits is amortized primarily using the straight-line method over five years and is charged 50% of the annual amortized cost to its income for the six months ended September 30, 2004.
12. Financing leases of SMFG and its consolidated domestic subsidiaries, excluding those in which the ownership of the property is transferred to the lessee, are accounted for in the same method as operating leases.
13. As for the hedge accounting method applied to hedging transactions for interest rate risk arising from financial assets and liabilities, SMBC applies deferred hedge accounting or fair value hedge accounting.
 - SMBC applies deferred hedge accounting stipulated in "Treatment for Accounting and Auditing of Application of Accounting Standard for Financial Instruments in Banking Industry" (JICPA Industry Audit Committee Report No.24) to portfolio hedges of large-volume, small-value monetary claims and debts.
 - As for the portfolio hedges to offset market fluctuation, SMBC assesses the effectiveness of such hedges by classifying the hedged items (such as deposits and loans) and the hedging instruments (such as interest rate swaps) by their maturity. As for the portfolio hedges to fix cash flows, SMBC assesses the effectiveness of such hedges by verifying the correlation between the hedged items and the hedging instruments.
 - As for the individual hedges, SMBC also basically applies deferred hedge accounting. But, SMBC applies fair value hedge accounting to hedging transactions for reducing the market volatility of bonds classified as other securities that are held for the purpose of Asset and Liability Management.
 - As a result of the application of JICPA Industry Audit Committee Report No.24, SMBC discontinued the application of hedge accounting or applied fair value hedge accounting to a portion of the hedging instruments using "macro hedge," which had been applied in order to manage interest rate risk arising from large-volume transactions in loans, deposits and other interest-earning assets and interest-bearing liabilities as a whole using derivatives pursuant to "Temporary Treatment for Accounting and Auditing of Application of Accounting Standard for Financial Instruments in Banking Industry" (JICPA Industry Audit Committee Report No.15). The deferred hedge losses and gains related to such a portion of hedging instruments are charged to "Interest income" or "Interest expenses" over a 12-year period (maximum) according to their maturity from the fiscal year ended March 31, 2004. At this interim term-end, gross amounts of deferred hedge losses and gains on "macro hedge" were 254,000 million yen and 221,851 million yen, respectively.
14. SMBC applies deferred hedge accounting stipulated in "Treatment of Accounting and Auditing Concerning Accounting for Foreign Currency Transactions in Banking Industry" (JICPA Industry Audit Committee Report No.25) to currency swap and foreign exchange swap transactions executed for the purpose of lending or borrowing funds in different currencies.
 - Pursuant to JICPA Industry Audit Committee Report No.25, SMBC assesses the effectiveness of currency swap and foreign exchange swap transactions executed for the purpose of offsetting the risk of changes in currency exchange rates by verifying that there are foreign-currency monetary claims and debts corresponding to the foreign-currency positions.
 - In order to hedge risk arising from volatility of exchange rates for stocks of subsidiaries and affiliates and other securities (excluding bonds) denominated in foreign currencies, SMBC applies deferred hedge accounting or fair value hedge accounting, on the conditions that the hedged securities are designated in advance and that sufficient on-balance (actual) or off-balance (forward) liability exposure exists to cover the cost of the hedged securities denominated in the same foreign currencies.
15. As for derivative transactions between consolidated subsidiaries or internal transactions between trading accounts and other accounts (or among internal sections), SMBC manages the interest rate swaps and currency swaps that are designated as hedging instruments in accordance with the strict criteria for external transactions stipulated in JICPA Industry Audit Committee Report No.24 and No.25. Therefore, SMBC accounts for the gains or losses that arise from interest rate swaps and currency swaps in its earnings or defers them, rather than eliminating them.
 - Certain other consolidated subsidiaries use the deferred hedge accounting or the special treatment for interest rate swaps. A consolidated domestic subsidiary (a leasing company) partly applies the accounting method that is permitted by "Temporary

Treatment for Accounting and Auditing of Application of Accounting Standard for Financial Instruments in Leasing Industry” (JICPA Industry Audit Committee Report No.19).

16. National and local consumption taxes of SMFG and its consolidated domestic subsidiaries are accounted for using the tax-excluded method.
17. SMBC accounts for the exhibition expenses related to “The 2005 World Exposition, Aichi, Japan” that will be held in Aichi Prefecture in 2005 as “Reserve for expenses related to EXPO 2005 Japan.” This reserve is stipulated in Article 43 of the Ordinance of the Commercial Code and includes the reserve that is stipulated in Article 57-2 of the Specific Taxation Measures Law.
18. Other reserves required by special laws are reserve for contingent liabilities from financial futures transactions of 18 million yen in accordance with Article 82 of the Financial Futures Transaction Law, and reserve for contingent liabilities from securities transactions of 1,075 million yen in accordance with Article 51 of the Securities and Exchange Law.
19. Accumulated depreciation on premises and equipment and accumulated depreciation on lease assets amounted to 588,735 million yen and 1,550,472 million yen, respectively.
20. Bankrupt loans and Non-accrual loans were 86,972 million yen and 1,844,061 million yen, respectively. These amounts include the trusted amount with The Resolution and Collection Corporation of 3,792 million yen, which is treated as off-balancing. “Bankrupt loans” are loans, after write-off, to legally bankrupt borrowers as defined in Article 96-1-3 and 96-1-4 of the Enforcement Ordinance No.97 of the Japanese Corporate Tax Law (issued in 1965) and on which accrued interest income is not recognized as there is substantial doubt about the ultimate collectability of either principal or interest because they are past due for a considerable period of time or for other reasons. “Non-accrual loans” are loans on which accrued interest income is not recognized, excluding “Bankrupt loans” and loans on which interest payments are deferred in order to support the borrowers’ recovery from financial difficulties.
21. Past due loans (3 months or more) totaled 52,918 million yen. “Past due loans (3 months or more)” are loans on which the principal or interest is past due for three months or more, excluding “Bankrupt loans” and “Non-accrual loans.”
22. Restructured loans totaled 884,745 million yen. “Restructured loans” are loans on which terms and conditions have been amended in favor of the borrowers (e.g. reduction of the original interest rate, deferral of interest payments, extension of principal repayments or debt forgiveness) in order to support the borrowers’ recovery from financial difficulties, excluding “Bankrupt loans,” “Non-accrual loans” and “Past due loans (3 months or more).”
23. The total amount of Bankrupt loans, Non-accrual loans, Past due loans (3 months or more) and Restructured loans was 2,868,696 million yen. This amount includes the trusted amount with The Resolution and Collection Corporation of 3,837 million yen, which is treated as off-balancing. The amounts of loans presented in Notes 20 to 23 above are the amounts before deduction of reserve for possible loan losses.
24. Bills discounted are accounted for as financial transactions in accordance with JICPA Industry Audit Committee Report No.24. SMFG’s banking subsidiaries have rights to sell or pledge bank acceptance bought, commercial bills discounted, documentary bills and foreign exchanges bought without restrictions. The total face value was 1,031,613 million yen.
25. Assets pledged as collateral were as follows:

	(Millions of yen)
Assets pledged	
Cash and due from banks	90,583
Trading assets	651,906
Securities	7,457,751
Loans and bills discounted	1,465,657
Other assets (installment account receivable etc.)	1,030
Liabilities corresponding to assets pledged	
Deposits	10,528
Call money and bills sold	3,655,999
Payables under repurchase agreements	715,530
Payables under securities lending transactions	4,460,991
Trading liabilities	125,597
Borrowed money	3,893
Other liabilities	14,617
Acceptances and guarantees	149,029

In addition, Cash and due from banks of 50,227 million yen, Trading assets of 1,663 million yen, Securities of 6,962,079 million yen and Loans and bills discounted of 581,956 million yen were pledged as collateral for cash settlements, variation margins of futures markets and certain other purposes.

Premises and equipment include surety deposits and intangible of 110,928 million yen, and Other assets include initial margins of futures markets of 9,216 million yen.

26. Net amount of deferred unrealized gains (losses) on hedging instruments to which deferred hedge accounting is applied is reported as deferred loss on hedge and is included in "Other assets." Gross deferred unrealized losses and gains on hedging instruments were 573,789 million yen and 457,780 million yen, respectively.
27. SMBC revaluated its own land for business activities in accordance with the "Law Concerning Land Revaluation" (the "Law") effective March 31, 1998 and the law concerning amendment of the Law effective March 31, 2001. The income taxes corresponding to the net unrealized gains are deferred and reported in "Liabilities" as "Deferred tax liabilities for land revaluation," and the net unrealized gains, net of deferred taxes, are reported as "Land revaluation excess" in "Stockholders' equity."

Certain other consolidated subsidiaries revaluated their own land for business activities in accordance with the Law. The income taxes corresponding to the net unrealized gains (losses) are deferred and reported in "Liabilities" or "Assets" as "Deferred tax liabilities for land revaluation" or "Deferred tax assets for land revaluation," and the net unrealized gains (losses), net of deferred taxes, are reported as "Land revaluation excess" in "Stockholders' equity."

Date of the revaluation

SMBC:

March 31, 1998 and March 31, 2002

Certain other consolidated subsidiaries:

March 31, 1999 and March 31, 2002

Method of revaluation (stipulated in Article 3-3 of the Law)

SMBC:

Fair values were determined by applying appropriate adjustments for land shape and timing of appraisal to the values stipulated in Article 2-3, 2-4 or 2-5 of the Enforcement Ordinance of the Law Concerning Land Revaluation (the Enforcement Ordinance No.119) effective March 31, 1998.

Certain other consolidated subsidiaries:

Fair values were determined based on the values stipulated in Article 2-3 and 2-5 of the Enforcement Ordinance No.119.

28. The balance of subordinated debt included in "Borrowed money" was 771,570 million yen.
29. The balance of subordinated bonds included in "Bonds" was 1,861,560 million yen.
30. Stockholders' equity per share was 230,491.11 yen.

31. Market value and unrealized gains (losses) on securities are shown as below:

In addition to "Securities" in the consolidated interim balance sheet, trading securities, commercial paper and short-term corporate bonds classified as "Trading assets," negotiable certificates of deposit bought classified as "Cash and due from banks," and commercial paper and beneficiary claim on loan trust classified as "Commercial paper and other debt purchased" are also included in the amounts of the following tables. This definition is applied up to Notes 34.

(1) Securities classified as trading purposes

As of and for the six months ended September 30, 2004	(Millions of yen)
Consolidated interim balance sheet amount	1,209,190
Valuations gains (losses) included in profit/loss during the interim term	(2,548)

(2) Bonds classified as held-to-maturity with market value

As of September 30, 2004	(Millions of yen)				
	Consolidated balance sheet amount	Market value	Net unrealized gains (losses)	Unrealized gains	Unrealized losses
Japanese government bonds	508,400	502,551	(5,848)	1,684	7,533
Other	36,235	36,794	558	681	122
Total	544,636	539,346	(5,289)	2,365	7,655

(3) Other securities with market value

As of September 30, 2004	(Millions of yen)				
	Acquisition cost	Consolidated balance sheet amount	Net unrealized gains (losses)	Unrealized gains	Unrealized losses
Stocks	2,035,061	2,616,748	581,686	637,425	55,738
Bonds	13,744,918	13,686,800	(58,118)	18,409	76,527
Japanese government bonds	12,421,472	12,371,625	(49,846)	13,933	63,780
Japanese local government bonds	504,080	497,812	(6,267)	1,094	7,361
Japanese corporate bonds	819,366	817,362	(2,003)	3,381	5,385
Other	4,079,116	4,039,623	(39,492)	8,902	48,395
Total	19,859,096	20,343,172	484,076	664,737	180,661

Of the total net unrealized gains shown above, 22,199 million yen is included in this term's earnings because of the application of fair value hedge accounting.

"Net unrealized gains on other securities" includes 270,172 million yen that is the sum of the following items:

	(Millions of yen)
Net unrealized gains to be included in stockholders' equity, as a result of applying fair value hedge accounting (a)	461,876
(-) Deferred tax liabilities (b)	187,907
(c) = (a) - (b)	273,969
(-) Minority interests corresponding to (c)	4,981
(+) SMFG's interests of net unrealized gains (losses) on other securities held by affiliates accounted for by the equity method	1,185
Total	270,172

Other securities with market value are considered as impaired if the market value decreases materially below the acquisition cost and such decline is not considered as recoverable. The market value is recognized as the consolidated interim balance sheet amount and the amount of write-down is accounted for as valuation loss (impaired) for this interim term. Valuation loss for this interim term was 39 million yen. The rule for determining "material decline" is as follows and is based on the classification of issuing company under self-assessment of assets.

Bankrupt/ Effectively bankrupt/ Potentially bankrupt issuers	Market value is lower than acquisition cost
Issuers requiring caution	Market value is 30% or more lower than acquisition cost
Normal issuers	Market value is 50% or more lower than acquisition cost

Bankrupt issuers: issuers that are legally bankrupt or formally declared bankrupt
 Effectively bankrupt issuers: issuers that are not legally bankrupt but regarded as substantially bankrupt
 Potentially bankrupt issuers: issuers that are not bankrupt now, but are perceived to have a high risk of falling into bankruptcy
 Issuers requiring caution: issuers that are identified for close monitoring
 Normal issuers: issuers other than the above four categories of issuers

32. The amount of other securities sold during the interim term is as follows:

Six months ended September 30, 2004		(Millions of yen)
Sales amount	Gains on sales	Losses on sales
16,678,701	117,923	27,549

33. Summary information on securities with no available market value is as follows:

As of September 30, 2004	(Millions of yen)
	Consolidated balance sheet amount
Bonds classified as held-to-maturity	
Unlisted foreign securities	3,492
Other	11,290
Other securities	
Unlisted stocks (excluding OTC stocks)	580,961
Unlisted bonds	1,768,325
Unlisted foreign securities	394,347
Other	150,646

34. Redemption schedule of other securities with maturities and held-to-maturity bonds is as follows:

As of September 30, 2004	(Millions of yen)			
	1 year or less	More than 1 year to 5 years	More than 5 years to 10 years	More than 10 years
Bonds	2,927,449	7,891,459	2,987,501	2,157,117
Japanese government bonds	2,701,723	5,793,773	2,234,942	2,149,585
Japanese local government bonds	13,233	252,642	231,433	503
Japanese corporate bonds	212,492	1,845,044	521,125	7,028
Other	378,578	2,956,785	417,839	511,709
Total	3,306,028	10,848,244	3,405,341	2,668,827

35. Information on money held in trust is as follows:

Other money held in trust

As of September 30, 2004		(Millions of yen)		
Acquisition cost	Consolidated balance sheet amount	Net unrealized gains	Unrealized gains	Unrealized losses
3,628	3,783	154	271	116

Net unrealized gains on other money held in trust of 92 million yen (after deducting 62 million yen in deferred tax liabilities from 154 million yen in net unrealized gains) are included in "Net unrealized gains on other securities."

36. "Japanese government bonds" as a sub-account of "Securities" include 16,294 million yen of unsecured loaned securities for which borrowers have the right to sell or pledge.

As for the unsecured borrowed securities for which SMBC has the right to sell or pledge and the securities which SMBC purchased under resale agreements, that are permitted to be sold or pledged without restrictions, 1,579,675 million yen in securities are pledged, and 167,303 million yen in securities are held in hand as of the consolidated interim balance sheet date.

37. Commitment line contracts on overdrafts and loans are agreements to lend to customers up to a prescribed amount, as long as there is no violation of any condition established in the contracts. The amount of unused commitments was 34,368,593 million yen, and the amount of unused commitments whose original contract terms are within one year or unconditionally cancelable at any time was 30,841,376 million yen. Since many of these commitments are expected to expire without being drawn upon, the total amount of unused commitments does not necessarily represent actual future cash flow requirements. Many of these commitments include clauses under which SMBC and other consolidated subsidiaries can reject an application from customers or reduce the contract amounts in the event that economic conditions change, SMBC and other consolidated subsidiaries need to secure claims, or other events occur. In addition, SMBC and other consolidated subsidiaries may request the customers to pledge collateral such as premises and securities at the time of the contracts, and take necessary measures such as monitoring the customers' financial positions, revising contracts when need arises and securing claims after contracts are made.

38. SMFG repurchased its own shares on November 2, 2004 pursuant to the resolution of the Board of Directors meeting held on September 30, 2004 as follows:

- (1) Type of capital stock repurchased: SMFG's common stock
- (2) Total number of shares repurchased: 400,805 shares
- (3) Repurchase price: 668,000 yen per share (Total amount: 267,737,740,000 yen)
- (4) Method of repurchase: Through ToSTNet-2 (closing price orders) of Tokyo Stock Exchange

Deposit Insurance Corporation of Japan announced that The Resolution and Collection Corporation (RCC) sold 401,705.31 shares of SMFG's common stock at 268,339,153,590 yen on November 2, 2004 (RCC converted 32,000 shares of preferred stock (type 1) worth 96,000 million yen and 105,000 shares of preferred stock (type 3) worth 105,000 million yen on September 30, 2004).