

Table 1. São Tomé and Príncipe: Quantitative Benchmarks for the Proposed 2001-02 Staff-Monitored Program

(In billions of dobras, unless otherwise specified)

	2001		2002	
	end-Sep.	end-Dec.	end-Mar.	end-June
	Est.		SMP	
1. Floor on primary balance of the central government's financial operations, excluding foreign-financed investments (cumulative from beginning of year) 1/ 2/	-17.5	-31.0	-6.5	-7.9
2. Ceiling on changes in net bank credit to the central government (cumulative from beginning of year) 1/	-10.7	5.7	-0.1	7.1
3. Ceiling on changes in net domestic assets of the central bank (cumulative from beginning of year) 1/	-13.5	-5.6	0.1	7.3
4. Floor on changes in the net international reserves position of the central bank (cumulative from beginning of year; in millions of U.S. dollars) 1/	3.5	2.9	2.4	1.9
5. Ceiling on central government's stock of outstanding external payments arrears (in millions of U.S. dollars) 3/ 4/ 5/	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
6. Ceiling on contracting and guaranteeing of new nonconcessional debt by the central government with a maturity of more than one year (cumulative from beginning of year; in millions of U.S. dollars) 4/ 5/ 6/	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
7. Ceiling on change in the central government's stock of outstanding short-term external debt with a maturity of less than one year (cumulative from beginning of year)	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
8. Floor on total central government revenue (cumulative from beginning of year) 1/	70.0	93.9	21.9	47.4
9. Ceiling on primary spending of the central government, excluding foreign-financed investments (cumulative from beginning of year) 2/	87.5	125.0	28.4	55.3
Memorandum items:				
Oil concession rights proceeds	17.2	17.2	0.0	0.0
Program financing	27.0	27.0	0.0	0.0
Exchange rate (in dobras per U.S. dollar; period average)	8,805.1	...	...	...

Sources: São Tomé and Príncipe authorities; and staff estimates and projections.

1/ The ceiling or the floor will be adjusted downward (or upward) to accommodate the positive deviation of actual from projected disbursements of oil related bonuses and program financing.

2/ Based on a definition of expenditure excluding all interest payments and foreign-financed investment.

3/ Nonaccumulation of new external payments arrears is a continuous performance criterion.

4/ This benchmark applies not only to the debts defined in point 9 of the Directives Regarding External Debt Performance Criteria adopted on August 24, 2000, but also to debt contracted or guaranteed that has not yet been disbursed.

5/ The term "debt" is defined in accordance with point 9 of the Directives Regarding External Debt Performance Criteria adopted on August 24, 2000.

6/ With a grant element of less than 50 percent.

Table 2. São Tomé and Príncipe: Prior Actions and Structural Benchmarks for the Staff-Monitored Program, January–June 2002

Measures	Timetable
<b>Prior actions</b>	
1. Adoption of a mechanism for the adjustment of public prices for water and electricity according to the costs of production and distribution, as indicated in paragraph 6.	
2. Implementation of the civil service reform and retrenchment program, as specified in paragraph 6.	
3. Adoption of the terms of reference for the external independent audit of three large government contracts and tenders for the period 1998–2000, as described in paragraph 6.	
<b>Structural benchmarks</b>	
1. Implementation of an upward adjustment in water and electricity tariffs of 16 percent, as indicated in paragraph 20.	End-March 2002
2. Submission to the National Assembly of the draft budget for 2002, as indicated in paragraph 10.	End-April 2002
3. Publication of a report on the external independent audit of three large government contracts and tenders for the period 1998–2000, as described in paragraph 15.	End-June 2002
4. Application of a mechanism for the adjustment of retail petroleum product prices to reflect import prices and distribution costs, as indicated in paragraph 11.	Continuous
5. Submission of monthly monetary data within four weeks of the end of each month, as indicated in paragraph 26.	Continuous

Table 3. São Tomé and Príncipe: Data and Information To Be Provided Monthly for the Monitoring of the Program

Data and Information	Source
1. The monetary survey, the central bank accounts, and the consolidated accounts of commercial banks (including balance sheets— <i>balancete contabilísticos</i> ).	Central bank
2. Exchange rate and interest rates, including the central bank reference interest rate, bank lending rates, and deposits rates.	Central bank
3. Central government financial operations table, based on government budget execution, including a breakdown of revenue and expenditure.	Ministry of Planning and Finance, Directorates of Budget and Treasury
4. External public debt, stock outstanding, contractual service, and actual payments, broken down by creditor.	Central bank and Directorates of Budget and Treasury
5. Stock of external public debt arrears, including a breakdown into interest and principal, as well as by major creditor.	Central bank and Directorates of Budget and Treasury
6. The amount of new nonconcessional external debt contracted or guaranteed by the government with original maturity of more than one year, as well as any disbursements made in connection with external debt of the government with original maturity of up to and including one year, excluding normal import financing.	Central bank and Directorates of Budget and Treasury
7. Actual disbursements of project and nonproject external assistance, broken down by donor.	Central bank and Directorates of Budget and Treasury
8. Domestic debt and arrears, by major creditor.	Directorates of Budget and Treasury
9. Consumer price index for São Tomé households.	Ministry of Planning and Finance, Directorate of Statistics
10. Status of observance of quantitative and structural benchmarks in accordance with Tables 1 and 2 of the letter of intent.	Central bank and Directorates of Budget and Treasury
11. Status of implementation of the structural measures of the program.	Ministry of Planning and Finance
12. Any changes made in the external trade and payments system.	Ministry of Economy and the central bank
13. Any changes made in the price system and in the prices of petroleum products, water, and electricity.	Ministry of Planning and Finance, and Ministry of Economy
14. Any information on development in external trade.	Ministry of Planning and Finance, Directorates of Customs and Statistics
15. Any information on agricultural production, industrial production, and tourism.	Ministry of Economy