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Notes to the Financial Statements 2000

Principles regarding rendering of accounts

As a public-law corporation, Switzerland Tourism bases the bookkeeping and the rendering of accounts on art. 957 ff. CO (Swiss Code of Obligations) and the applicable regulations of stock corporation law (art. 662 a ff. CO). Switzerland Tourism is liable with its assets for its liabilities according to art. 21 of the organisational charter.

Liabilities towards provisional organisations

The short-term liabilities towards provisional organisations in Switzerland and abroad as of 31.12.2000 amount to CHF 108,368.68 (1999: CHF 103,574.45).

During the year under review, the EVK (Swiss federal insurance fund) has confirmed in writing that the deficit of the premium reserves at the EVK of CHF 6 432 500 shall be regarded as final.

The balance sheet as at 31.12.2000 now reports the appropriate sum as a loan under «long-term financial obligations, provisional organisations».

The provision shown in connection with the hitherto shown contingent liability (long-term provisions, others) has been dissolved accordingly.

Fire insurance figures, fixed assets

	2000	1999
	CHF	CHF
Furniture	2 200 000	2 200 000
EDP installations	1 304 000	1 050 800

Real estate (Paris real estate) p.M.

Investments

Switzerland Destination Management AG, Zurich, central control, distribution and sales of Swiss touristic products, capital stock CHF 10.5 million. Investment share of Switzerland Tourism: 33.33%.

Paris real estate

	2000
	CHF
Revenue from real estate	1 130 510
Expenses for real estate	956 849
Profit from real estate	173 661

(Profit in 1999: CHF 243 133).

Leasing liabilities

The total sum of leasing liabilities as per 31.12.2000 amounts to CHF 150 146 (previous year: CHF 172 529).

Nonoperating activities

Due to the new alignment, ticket sales were halted completely in the course of the year 1999.