## Foreign Currency Directive

As reaffirmed effective January 30, 2018

- 1. The Committee directs the Federal Reserve Bank selected by the Committee (the "Selected Bank") to execute open market transactions, for the System Open Market Account, in accordance with the provisions of the Authorization for Foreign Currency Operations (the "Authorization") and subject to the limits in this Directive.
- 2. The Committee directs the Selected Bank to execute warehousing transactions, if so requested by the United States Treasury and if approved by the Foreign Currency Subcommittee (the "Subcommittee"), subject to the limitation that the outstanding balance of United States dollars provided to the United States Treasury as a result of these transactions not at any time exceed \$5 billion.
- 3. The Committee directs the Selected Bank to maintain, for the System Open Market Account:
  - A. Reciprocal currency arrangements with the following foreign central banks:

Foreign central bank	Maximum amount
	(millions of dollars
	or equivalent)

Bank of Canada 2,000 Bank of Mexico 3,000

B. Standing dollar liquidity swap arrangements with the following foreign central banks:

Bank of Canada Bank of England Bank of Japan European Central Bank Swiss National Bank

C. Standing foreign currency liquidity swap arrangements with the following foreign central banks:

Bank of Canada Bank of England Bank of Japan European Central Bank Swiss National Bank

- 4. The Committee directs the Selected Bank to hold and to invest foreign currencies in the portfolio in accordance with the provisions of paragraph 7 of the Authorization.
- 5. The Committee directs the Selected Bank to report to the Committee, at each regular meeting of the Committee, on transactions undertaken pursuant to paragraphs 1 and 6 of the Authorization. The Selected Bank is also directed to provide quarterly reports to the Committee regarding the management of the foreign currency holdings pursuant to paragraph 7 of the Authorization.
- 6. The Committee directs the Selected Bank to conduct testing of transactions for the purpose of operational readiness in accordance with the provisions of paragraph 9 of the Authorization.