

EXHIBIT II

P R O V I S I O N S A T D E C E M B E R 3 1 , 1 9 9 8
-In thousands of pesos -

Detail	Balances at beginning of year	Increases	Decreases	Balances at end of year
ASSETS				
. Allowance for purity of gold	1,036		1	1,035
. Allowance on loans to the Argentine financial system (1)	403,770	207,208	12,923	598,055
. Allowance for losses in the liquidation of financial entities	20,928,551	25,056		20,953,607
LIABILITIES				
. Provision for matters in litigation	1,251,961	84,538	74,055	1,262,444
. Guarantee Fund - Law 22510 (2)	3,005	225		3,230
. Others Provisions (2)	5,431	12,923		18,354

(1) Increases include \$ 45,178 thousand which are subtracted from the 'Interest on Loans to the Argentine financial system' heading, and \$ 20,434 thousand as a result of the reclassification of the account of provision assets.

(2) Increases are the result of the reclassification among provision accounts.

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