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Key Considerations When Rating Russian Securitizations

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Structured Issues Rated By S&P In 2007

Issuer	Collateral	Closing date	Originators	Issue size	Senior tranche rating
Red Arrow International Leasing PLC	Leasing payments	30 March 2006	Magistral Finance, Investment Partner и FC Incorporated Depositors	RUR 2.7 bln	BBB+
RUSSIAN CONSUMER FINANCE No. 1 S.A.	Consumer loans	4 April 2006	Russian Standard Bank	Eur 300 mln	BBB/ Watch Positive
Taganka Car Loan Finance PLC	Auto loans	23 October 2006	MDM Bank	USD 403.1 mln	A-
Russian Car Loans No. 1 S.A.	Auto loans	22 November 2006	Russian Standard Bank	Eur 220.1 mln	A-
Dali Capital PLC	Mortgage loans	21 December 2006	Sovfintrade Ltd	Eur 140,9 mln and RUR 864 mln	BBB+

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Russian Securitization Market Set For Growth In 2007

- Strong growth of underlying asset base
- Funding diversification
- Equity relief
- Better matching of assets and liabilities
- Decrease in funding costs



Key Risk Factors Under Consideration

- Credit
- Structure
- Country
- Legal



- No historical record of Russian assets performance in an economic downturn
- Modeled default rate is based on:
 - Pool performance in today's favourable environment
 - Performance of a relevant asset class in other countries in stressful economic conditions
- The approach varies per an asset class



Credit Analysis: Impact Of Foreign Currency Risk

- Rouble depreciation risk raises the default rate
- Currency risk carried on by the underlying obligors cannot be hedged
- Depreciation scenarios are determined for each stress level
- ➤ The impact of depreciation risk depends on the assets particularities



- We give low or no credit to recovery, dependent on the asset class and stress scenario
- Reasons:
 - Limited number of precedents of in-court foreclosure
 - Risk of the government providing debt relief to the obligors in a mass default scenario
- Cash recovery via loan restructuring is taken into account for mortgage loans



Structural Risks: Commingling Risk

- Commingling occurs when the cash belonging to an SPV is mixed with the cash belonging to a third party
- This risk is important in Russian transactions and mainly related to the Russia-based counterparties having low or no ratings
- Servicer default is covered by the availability of a back-up servicer
- Bank account providers should be rated adequately to support senior notes rating
- Special coverage should be provided against the risk of a temporary disruption in the banking system for notes rated Aand higher



Structural Risks: Foreign Currency and Interest Rate Risks

- > FX and interest rate risks are inherent in Russian transactions
- Fully or partially hedged with swaps provided by foreign banks
- Swap counterparty has to be adequately rated to support the ratings of the notes



Country Risks

- Country risks are always taken into consideration when modeling the stress scenarios:
 - the magnitude of economic recession
 - the state of the banking system
 - the likelihood of government providing debt relief to borrowers
 - the exchange rate volatility
- Transfer and convertibility risk has to be covered for tranches rated at "A" and higher
- The risk of direct government interference was not a constraining factor for any of the rated Russian securitizations



- True sale is achievable
- No concept of a pledge of monetary assets in the Russian law amplifies commingling risk
- Limited practice of foreclosure lowers the expected recovery rate
- Tax implications of securitization are always examined and may have a direct impact on ratings



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