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Swiss National Bank recalls banknote series from the seventies

Banknotes should be exchanged by the end of October 2000

The Swiss National Bank will recall all the banknotes of the last series from the seventies as of 1 May 2000. The public cashiers' offices of the Confederation (SBB, Swiss Post) will accept the recalled banknotes of this series as legal tender, at their nominal value, until 31 October 2000. The most well-known banknote from this particular series is the 100-franc note, the so-called "Borromini". The Swiss National Bank, however, will still exchange these banknotes at their nominal value for another 20 years, i.e. until 30 April 2020.

The recalled banknotes, whose description and picture can also be found on the Internet, comprise the following denominations:

Nominal value	Features:	
	Front	Reverse
Sfr 1000	Auguste Forel	Ants
Sfr 500	Albrecht von Haller	Muscular figure
Sfr 100	Francesco Borromini	Church of S. Ivo
Sfr 50	Konrad Gessner	Eagle owl
Sfr 20	Horace-Bénédict de Saussure	Mountain range
Sfr 10	Leonhard Euler	Water turbine

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