



BANCO DE MEXICO

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First drawing of the Federal Reserve swap line and auction from US dollar loan facility.

The Bank of Mexico announces that it will draw on its swap line with the Federal Reserve. This line was [announced](#) to the public on the 29th of October 2008 and will [mature](#) on the 30th of October 2009.

The proceeds from the swap transactions with the Federal Reserve will be used to finance auctions of dollar loans to domestic credit institutions. The first auction will be held on the 21st of April for an amount of up to USD 4 billion with a maturity of 264 days. The Bank of Mexico will set a minimum interest rate based on the relevant Overnight Index Swap rate plus a spread of 50 basis points. While the maximum tenor of individual drawings under the swap line is 88 days, the Bank of Mexico stands ready to request additional draws from the swap line to fund the longer-maturity loans or, if needed, to use other sources of financing. The purpose of these loans is to provide financing to private sector participants who face pressures in obtaining term dollar funding.