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The Monetary Policy Committee met on 6<sup>th</sup> August 2008. It observed with satisfaction a strong recovery of growth as demonstrated by key economic indicators, easing of inflationary pressure and moderation of interest rates.

Nevertheless, inflation continues to be a source of concern to the Committee. This will require careful monitoring and, where necessary, appropriate action.

It also noted that the correction of the liquidity distortion in the financial system occasioned by the Safaricom IPO was delayed. The Committee therefore considered that the stance adopted at the previous meeting, was still valid.

With the CBR held at 9% the need for tighter liquidity once the Safaricom IPO refunds were fully disbursed would be satisfactorily addressed.

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