

From the Savings Deposit Insurance Fund :

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Board of Directors of the Savings Deposit Insurance Fund has decided to extend the sale process of Toprak Yatırım Bankası A.Ş., %89,925 shares of which belong to the Savings Deposit Insurance Fund, Toprak Factoring A.Ş. and Toprak Leasing. The sale process in question was initiated through the announcement published in the Official Gazette Nr. 24875 dated September 13, 2002.

Accordingly,

- Deadline for the determination of the investors satisfying the fit and proper criteria and for notification to the related parties has been extended to October 16, 2002 before the end of working hours,
- Deadline for the bids to be submitted to the Subsidiaries Department of the Savings Deposit Insurance Fund has been extended to October 31, 2002 before the end of working hours.

Bids of investors will be opened by the Tender Commission on November 1,2002 at 10.00 AM.