

### DOMESTIC NEWS

It was a relatively dull trading session, as the local FX market recorded diminished activity on Thursday.

There was little by way of volume from both interbank and corporate counters, as flows remained evenly matched leaving the Kenya shilling unchanged versus the U.S. dollar from its previous close.

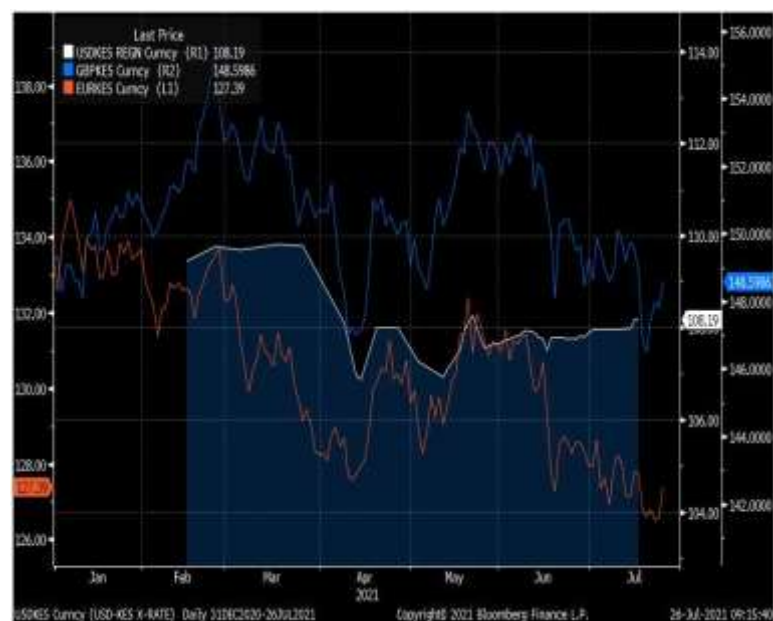
Ahead of the weekend, market chatter alludes to range bound trading, as demand and supply forces remain at an equilibrium.

Amounts "100,000"	Today's Opening	
	Buy TT	Sell TT
USD/KES	103.80	112.35
GBP/KES	143.90	154.50
EUR/KES	121.50	132.30
JPY/KES	95.10	104.70

Forward Rate(USD)(1 month)	
BUY	101.75
SELL	110.70
3 Months	
Buy	102.35
SELL	112.70

Money Market Rates	Previous	Current	Change bps
Interbank Rate	3.03%	3.23%	+20.00
91-Day T-bill	6.527%	6.599%	+7.20
182-Day T-bill	7.117%	7.104%	-1.30
364-Day T-bill	7.418%	7.420%	+0.20
Inflation	5.87%	6.32%	+45.00



### INTERNATIONAL NEWS

The U.S. dollar rose to a nine-month high on Thursday, as worries about widespread coronavirus infections and Federal Reserve meeting minutes; showing it was considering reducing pandemic-era stimulus this year, hit global stocks and commodity-linked currencies. The dollar index, which measures the greenbacks performance against six currencies, hit its highest since early November of last year. It was up 0.3% at 93.359.

EUR/USD hit 9-month lows as expanding coronavirus concerns favoured the haven dollar, although the German Finance Ministry said that their economy is on track for a lasting stronger recovery in Q3, driven by lively domestic demand after GDP expanded by 1.5% on the quarter from April to June.

Cable traded on the back foot, renewing monthly bottoms on Brexit and Covid woes. Brexit is being blamed for the chicken shortage in the UK which has led to KFC and Nandos closing branches and the brain drain of nearly a hundred highly paid bankers from Britain to the European Union.

During the Asian session, the USD/JPY pair printed mild gains on dollar safe-haven appeal.

Indicative Deposit Rates			
	Amounts > KES 20 million		Amounts > 100,000
	KES	USD	EURO
Call	2.75%	0.25%	0.00%
1 month	4.70%	0.25%	0.00%
3 months	5.00%	0.35%	0.00%
6 months	5.25%	0.50%	0.00%

Indicative Cross Rates		
	Buy	Sell
EUR	1.1040	1.2440
GBP	1.3110	1.4510
JPY	103.35	117.35
CHF	0.8530	0.9930

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