

# RESERVE BANK OF FIJI



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### **SECURITY FEATURES FOR FIJI'S NEW DESIGN CURRENCY NOTES**

The Reserve Bank of Fiji will be issuing a new series of currency notes early in 2007. The notes will have improved security features, and these features were introduced to the press on Friday 22<sup>nd</sup> September at the Reserve Bank building.

Many of the features which have become familiar to the public will remain the same or similar (raised printing; very small text visible only with a magnifier; anti-photocopier and scanner line patterns; closely registered images *etc.*) or in improved form. Holograms carrying the same images as at present will remain on the F\$20 and 50 denominations. The F\$10 will carry *Kaleidoscope*<sup>TM</sup>, a metallic foil overprinted such that an effect of movement is achieved when the note is angled.

The security threads will appear to the unaided eye just as they do in the current note series. The thread will appear as a series of shiny dashes on the surface of the paper and these will become a solid line when held against the light. The thread will carry text: 'RBF' plus the Reserve Bank logo, as per the current notes.

The thread will not now be fluorescent when illuminated with an ultraviolet light; instead the fluorescence will appear as a design elsewhere on the note, in two colours. These two fluorescent colours will both appear to be the same colour in normal light.

The Fijian effigy will remain as the watermark. It will however be accompanied by a bright numeral within the paper which will indicate the denomination of the note.

The new F\$100 denomination will carry a brand new security feature called *Optiks*<sup>TM</sup> which is a very wide security tape (more than five times wider than the threads on the other denominations). This will appear as an aperture on the front of the note, effectively producing a clear 'window' in the note. The tape will carry an image of typical Fijian emblems.

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