

## **Press Release**

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## Denial concerning Libération article

Société Générale formally denies reports published in today's Libération.

In its article, Libération mistakenly reports as losses the assets transferred to Société Générale from SGAM's unit investment funds. Assets totalling 11.2bn euros were transferred to guarantee the funds' liquidity, in full compliance with Unitholders' interests. The funds were then actively managed in order to reduce the level of exposure. SGAM's losses for 2008 amounted to 258 million euros after tax and bear no relation to the claims made in the article.

Société Générale Group posted net profit of 2 billion euros in 2008. All these figures were published in the Group's quarterly financial reports.

## Société Générale

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