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Central Bank of the UAE announced that the statistics of the UAESWITCH for the 1st quarter of 2011 have shown a slight decrease in number and value of financial transactions, carried-out electronically through the UAESWITCH. The total number of financial transactions has decreased to 18.447 million financial transactions in the said quarter, compared to 18.992 million transactions in the 4th quarter of 2010, i.e. a decrease of 2.87%.

Also, the total value of financial transactions decreased to AED 19.868 billion in the 1st quarter of 2011, compared to AED 20.146 billion in the 4th quarter of 2010, i.e. a decrease of 1.38%.

As for the total number and value of financial transactions carried-out through connection of the UAESWITCH to the GCC Switches, the total number of such financial transactions increased to 707 thousand transactions in the 1st quarter of compared to 582 2011, thousand transactions in the 4th quarter of 2010, i.e. an increase of 21.48%. The total value of the financial transactions, also, increased to AED 941 million in the 1st quarter of 2011, compared to AED 759 million in the 4th quarter of 2010, i.e. an increase of 23.97%.

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