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TREASURY ANNOUNCES DEBT BUYBACK OPERATION

On August 17, 2000, the Treasury will buy back up to \$1,500 million par of its outstanding issues that mature between November 2021 and November 2026. Treasury reserves the right to accept less than the announced amount.

This debt buyback (redemption) operation will be conducted by Treasury's Fiscal Agent, the Federal Reserve Bank of New York, using its Open Market operations system. Only institutions that the Federal Reserve Bank of New York has approved to conduct Open Market transactions may submit offers on behalf of themselves and their customers. Offers at the highest accepted price for a particular issue may be accepted on a prorated basis, rounded up to the next \$100,000. As a result of this rounding, the Treasury may buy back an amount slightly larger than the one announced above.

This debt buyback operation is governed by the terms and conditions set forth in 31 CFR Part 375 and this announcement.

The debt buyback operation regulations are available on the Bureau of the Public Debt's website at www.publicdebt.treas.gov.

Details about the operation and each of the eligible issues are given in the attached highlights.

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Attachment

HIGHLIGHTS OF TREASURY DEBT BUYBACK OPERATION

August 16, 2000

Par amount to be bought back..Up to \$1,500 million

Operation date August 17, 2000

Operation close time11:00 a.m. eastern daylight saving time

Settlement date August 21, 2000

Minimum par offer amount \$100,000

Multiples of par\$100,000

Format for offers.... Expressed in terms of price per \$100 of par with three decimals. The first two decimals represent fractional $32^{\rm nds}$ of a dollar. The third decimal represents eighths of a $32^{\rm nd}$ of a dollar, and must be a 0, 2, 4, or 6.

Delivery instructions ABA Number 021001208 FRB NYC/CUST

Treasury issues eligible for debt buyback operation (in millions):

				Par Amount	Par Amount
Coupon	Maturity	CUSIP	Par Amount	Privately	Held as
Rate (%)	Date	Number	Outstanding*	Held*	STRIPS**
8.000	11/15/2021	912810 EL 8	32,267	29,295	18,708
7.250	08/15/2022	912810 EM 6	10,314	9,468	1,032
7.625	11/15/2022	912810 EN 4	9,530	7,929	5,549
7.125	02/15/2023	912810 EP 9	17,850	15,221	7,270
6.250	08/15/2023	912810 EQ 7	22,694	21,207	4,734
7.500	11/15/2024	912810 ES 3	11,100	9,569	7,222
7.625	02/15/2025	912810 ET 1	11,550	10,394	8,077
6.875	08/15/2025	912810 EV 6	12,327	10,555	4,768
6.000	02/15/2026	912810 EW 4	12,905	11,790	1,755
6.750	08/15/2026	912810 EX 2	10,894	9,280	3,023
6.500	11/15/2026	912810 EY 0	11,493	9,803	3,960
		Total	162,924	144,511	66,098

^{*} Par amounts are as of August 15, 2000.

The difference between the par amount outstanding and the par amount privately held is the par amount of those issues held by the Federal Reserve System.

^{**} Par amounts are as of August 14, 2000.