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TREASURY ANNOUNCES DEBT BUYBACK OPERATION

On September 21, 2000, the Treasury will buy back up to \$1,500 million par of its outstanding issues that mature between May 2017 and May 2021. 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

September 20, 2000

Par amount to be bought back.. Up to \$1,500 million Operation date............ September 21, 2000

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

Settlement date September 25, 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**
8.750	05/15/2017	912810 DY 1	17,265	14,510	5,841
8.875	08/15/2017	912810 DZ 8	13,365	11,307	2,450
9.125	05/15/2018	912810 EA 2	8,263	7,024	4,901
9.000	11/15/2018	912810 EB 0	7,859	7,211	4,581
8.875	02/15/2019	912810 EC 8	17,611	15,596	6,176
8.125	08/15/2019	912810 ED 6	19,877	17,979	1,272
8.500	02/15/2020	912810 EE 4	10,004	8,565	1,565
8.750	05/15/2020	912810 EF 1	9,119	7,617	5,427
8.750	08/15/2020	912810 EG 9	19,633	17,872	10,474
7.875	02/15/2021	912810 EH 7	10,458	9,514	867
8.125	05/15/2021	912810 EJ 3	11,091	9,473	4,338
		Total	144,545	126,668	47,892

^{*} Par amounts are as of September 19, 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 September 18, 2000.