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TREASURY ANNOUNCES DEBT BUYBACK OPERATION

On February 22, 2001, the Treasury will buy back up to \$1,750 million par of its outstanding issues that mature between February 2015 and August 2019. 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

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Par amount to be bought back Up to \$1,750 million Operation date February 22, 2001 Operation close time 11:00 a.m. eastern standard time Settlement date February 26, 2001 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^{nds} of a dollar. The third decimal represents eighths of a 32nd of a dollar, and must be a 0, 2, 4, or 6.

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**
11.250	02/15/2015	912810 DP 0	11,351	9,505	5,215
10.625	08/15/2015	912810 DS 4	5,216	4,049	1,684
9.875	11/15/2015	912810 DT 2	5,926	4,919	2,557
9.250	02/15/2016	912810 DV 7	6,803	5,766	528
7.250	05/15/2016	912810 DW 5	18,824	17,724	112
7.500	11/15/2016	912810 DX 3	18,824	17,199	1,270
8.750	05/15/2017	912810 DY 1	16,857	14,102	6,392
8.875	08/15/2017	912810 DZ 8	12,929	10,871	2,539
9.125	05/15/2018	912810 EA 2	7,367	6,128	4,043
9.000	11/15/2018	912810 EB 0	7,689	6,921	4,547
8.875	02/15/2019	912810 EC 8	17,061	14,906	5,742
8.125	08/15/2019	912810 ED 6	19,596	17,663	1,210
		Total	148,443	129,753	35,839

* Par amounts are as of February 20, 2001.

** Par amounts are as of February 16, 2001.

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.