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TREASURY OFFERS 13-WEEK, 26-WEEK, AND 52-WEEK BILLS

The Treasury will auction three series of Treasury bills totaling approximately \$24,000 million to refund \$26,829 million of publicly held securities maturing April 1, 1999, and to pay down about \$2,829 million.

In addition to the public holdings, Federal Reserve Banks for their own accounts hold \$12,662 million of the maturing bills, which may be refunded at the highest discount rate of accepted competitive tenders. Amounts issued to these accounts will be in addition to the offering amount.

The maturing bills held by the public include \$4,991 million held by Federal Reserve Banks as agents for foreign and international monetary authorities. Up to \$3,000 million of these securities may be refunded within the offering amount in each of the auctions of 13-, 26-, and 52-week bills at the highest discount rate of accepted competitive tenders. Additional amounts may be issued in each auction for such accounts to the extent that the amount of new bids exceeds \$3,000 million. Foreign and international monetary authorities are considered to hold \$3,551 million of the original 13- and 26-week issues and \$1,440 million of the original 52-week issue.

TreasuryDirect customers requested that we reinvest their maturing holdings of approximately \$885 million into the 13-week bill, \$746 million into the 26-week bill, and \$579 million into the 52-week bill.

Tenders for the bills will be received at Federal Reserve Banks and Branches and at the Bureau of the Public Debt, Washington, D.C. This offering of Treasury securities is governed by the terms and conditions set forth in the Uniform Offering Circular for the Sale and Issue of Marketable Book-Entry Treasury Bills, Notes, and Bonds (31 CFR Part 356, as amended).

Details about each of the new securities are given in the attached offering highlights.

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Attachment

HIGHLIGHTS OF TREASURY OFFERINGS OF BILLS TO BE ISSUED APRIL 1, 1999

March 25, 1999

Offering Amount\$6,500 million	\$7,500 million	\$10,000 million
Description of Offering:		
Term and type of security 91-day bill	182-day bill	364-day bill
CUSIP number 912795 BR 1	912795 CQ 2	912795 DP 3
Auction date	March 29, 1999	March 30, 1999
Issue date April 1, 1999	April 1, 1999	April 1, 1999
Maturity dateJuly 1, 1999	September 30, 1999	March 30, 2000
Original issue date December 31, 1998	April 1, 1999	April 1, 1999
Currently outstanding\$11,059 million		
Minimum bid amount and multiples \$1,000	\$1,000	\$1,000

The following rules apply to all securities mentioned above:

Submission of Bids:

Noncompetitive bids..... Accepted in full up to \$1,000,000 at the highest discount rate of accepted competitive bids.

Competitive bids......(1) Must be expressed as a discount rate with three decimals in increments of .005%, e.g., 7.100%, 7.105%.

- (2) Net long position for each bidder must be reported when the sum of the total bid amount, at all discount rates, and the net long position is \$1 billion or greater.
- (3) Net long position must be determined as of one half-hour prior to the closing time for receipt of competitive tenders.

Maximum Recognized Bid

at a Single Yield 35% of public offering

Receipt of Tenders:

Noncompetitive tenders...Prior to 12:00 noon Eastern Standard time on auction day Competitive tenders.....Prior to 1:00 p.m. Eastern Standard time on auction day