

TALKING POINTS
FOR THE
FINANCING PRESS CONFERENCE
January 27, 1988

Today we are announcing the terms of our regular February quarterly refunding. I will also discuss the Treasury's financing requirements for the balance of the current quarter and our estimated cash needs for the April-June 1988 quarter.

1. We are offering \$27 billion of notes and bonds to refund \$12.1 billion of publicly-held coupon securities maturing on February 15 and to raise approximately \$14.9 billion of new cash.

The three securities are:

--First, a 3-year note in the amount of \$9.25 billion maturing on February 15, 1991. This note will be auctioned on a yield basis on Tuesday, February 2. The minimum denomination will be \$5,000.

--Second, a 10-year note in the amount of \$9.0 billion maturing on February 15, 1998. This note will be auctioned on a yield basis on Wednesday, February 3. The minimum denomination will be \$1,000.

--Third, a 29-1/4 year bond in the amount of \$8.75 billion. This bond will be a reopening of the 8-3/4% bond of May 15, 2017, and will be auctioned on a yield basis on Thursday, February 4. The minimum denomination will be \$1,000.

On each of the three issues we will accept noncompetitive tenders up to \$1,000,000. The size of the 3-year issue is \$1/2 billion less and the size of the 10-year issue is \$1/4 billion less than those offered in the November refunding.

The 29-1/4 year bond is \$1/4 billion less than the bond offered in August 1987.

2. For the current January-March quarter, we estimate a net market borrowing need of \$26.7 billion, assuming a \$10 billion cash balance at the end of March.

3. Including this refunding, we will have raised \$19.6 billion in marketable borrowing. This was accomplished as follows:

--\$4.6 billion of new cash from the 7-year note which settled January 15.

--\$0.2 billion of new cash from the 2-year note which settles on February 1.

--\$0.1 billion paydown in bills, including the bills announced yesterday.

--\$14.9 billion of new cash from the February refunding issues.

The remaining \$7.1 billion requirement could be accomplished through sales of regular weekly and monthly bills, monthly 2-year notes, a 4-year note at the end of March, a note in early March in the 5-year maturity range and a cash management bill to cover the low point in cash in March.

4. Our net market borrowing need in the April-June 1988 quarter is currently estimated in the range of \$7-12 billion, assuming a \$15 billion cash balance at the end of June. We may wish to have a somewhat higher cash balance than the \$15 billion we have announced for the end of June depending on our assessment of cash needs and market conditions at the time.

5. The longer term securities announced today will be eligible for conversion to STRIPS (Separate Trading of Registered Interest and Principal of Securities) and, accordingly, may be divided into their separate interest and principal components.

6. The announcement and press conference for the regular May 15, 1988 mid-quarter refunding will be on May 4, 1988. For the foreseeable future, we expect that the announcement and press conference for the mid-quarter refundings will be on the first Wednesday of each mid-quarter refunding month.

May 1988 Refunding

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May 4, 1988

Today we are announcing the terms of our regular May quarterly refunding. I will also discuss the Treasury's financing requirements for the balance of the current quarter and our estimated cash needs for the July-September 1988 quarter.

1. We are offering \$26.0 billion of notes and bonds to refund \$16.5 billion of publicly-held coupon securities maturing on May 15 and to raise approximately \$9.5 billion of new cash.

The three securities are:

- First, a 3-year note in the amount of \$8.75 billion maturing on May 15, 1991. This note will be auctioned on a yield basis on Tuesday, May 10. The minimum denomination will be \$5,000.
- Second, a 10-year note in the amount of \$8.75 billion maturing on May 15, 1998. This note will be auctioned on a yield basis on Wednesday, May 11. The minimum denomination will be \$1,000.
- Third, a 30-year bond in the amount of \$8.50 billion maturing on May 15, 2018. This bond will be auctioned on a yield basis on Thursday May 12. The minimum denomination will be \$1,000.

On each of the three issues we will accept noncompetitive tenders up to \$1,000,000. The size of the 3-year note is \$1/2 billion less and the sizes of the 10-year note and the 30-year bond are both \$1/4 billion less than those offered in February 1988.

2. For the current April-June quarter, we estimate a paydown in marketable securities of \$1.5 billion, assuming a \$30 billion cash balance at the end of June.

3. Including this refunding, we will have raised \$4.4 billion in marketable borrowing. This was accomplished as follows:

--\$4.0 billion of new cash from the 7-year note which settled April 15.

--\$0.1 billion paydown from the 2-year note which settled on May 2.

--\$4.9 billion paydown in regular weekly and 52 week bills, including the bills announced yesterday.

--\$4.1 billion paydown in cash management bills.

--\$9.5 billion of new cash from the May refunding issues.

The remaining \$5.9 billion paydown could be accomplished through sales of regular 13-, 26-, and 52-week bills, 2-year notes in May and June, a 4-year note at the end of June, and a note in early June in the 5-year maturity range. A cash management bill may be necessary to cover the cash low point in early June.

4. Our net market borrowing need in the July-September 1988 quarter is currently estimated in the range of \$30-35 billion, assuming a \$20 billion cash balance at the end of September. We may wish to have a somewhat higher cash balance than the \$20 billion we have announced for the end of September depending on our assessment of cash needs and market conditions at the time. This figure is the same estimate used in the FY 1988 Budget for the end of the year cash balance.

5. The announcement and press conference for the regular August 15, 1988 mid-quarter refunding will be on August 3, 1988. For the foreseeable future, we expect that the announcement and press conference for the mid-quarter refunding will continue to be on the first Wednesday of each mid-quarter refunding month.

6. The longer term securities announced today will be eligible for conversion to STRIPS (Separate Trading of Registered Interest and Principal of Securities) and, accordingly, may be divided into their separate interest and principal components.

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AUGUST 3, 1988

Today we are announcing the terms of our regular August quarterly refunding. I will also discuss the Treasury's financing requirements for the balance of the current quarter and our estimated cash needs for the October-December 1988 quarter.

Treasury has used practically all of its authority to issue long bonds, so that the quarterly financing we are announcing today does not include a bond issue. We are hopeful the Congress will act soon to permit the Treasury to resume issuance of long-term bonds. When bond authority legislation is enacted, we expect to return to our regular schedule of issuing a 30-year bond in the mid-quarter refunding.

1. We are offering \$22.0 billion of notes to refund \$14.8 billion of publicly-held coupon securities maturing on August 15 and to raise approximately \$7.2 billion of new cash.

The two securities are:

- First, a 3-year note in the amount of \$11.0 billion maturing on August 15, 1991. This note will be auctioned on a yield basis on Tuesday, August 9. The minimum denomination will be \$5,000.
- Second, a 10-year note in the amount of \$11.0 billion maturing on August 15, 1998. This note will be auctioned on a yield basis on Wednesday, August 10. The minimum denomination will be \$1,000.

We will accept noncompetitive tenders up to \$1,000,000 for each of these issues.

2. We are also offering a 248-day cash management bill to settle on August 15 in the amount of \$7.0 billion to mature on April 20, 1989. This bill will be auctioned on a yield basis on Thursday August 11. The minimum issue amount will be \$10,000 and any additional amounts will be issued in \$5,000 multiples. Noncompetitive tenders will be accepted up to \$1,000,000.

3. For the current July-September quarter, we estimate a net market borrowing need of \$25-1/4 billion in marketable securities, assuming a \$30 billion cash balance at the end of September. We may want to have a higher balance, depending on our assessment of cash needs and market conditions at the time.

4. Including the 3- and 10-year notes and cash management bills, we will have raised \$17.8 billion in marketable borrowing. This was accomplished as follows:

--\$3.3 billion of new cash from the 7-year note which settled July 15.

--\$0.9 billion paydown from the 2-year note which settled on August 1.

--\$1.2 billion of new cash in regular weekly and 52-week bills, including the bills announced yesterday.

--\$7.2 billion of new cash from the August 3- and 10-year notes.

--\$7.0 billion of new cash from the cash management bill to be issued August 15.

The remaining net financing requirements of \$7.5 billion could be accomplished through sales of regular 13-, 26-, and 52-week bills, 2-year notes in August and September, a 4-year note at the end of September, and a 5-year, 2-month note in early September. An additional short-term cash management bill may be necessary to cover the cash low point in early September.

5. Our net market borrowing need in the October-December 1988 quarter is currently estimated in the range of \$40-45 billion, assuming a \$20 billion cash balance at the end of December.

We may wish to have a somewhat higher end-of-quarter cash balance than the \$20 billion.

6. The 10-year term security announced today will be eligible for conversion to STRIPS (Separate Trading of Registered Interest and Principal of Securities) and, accordingly, may be divided into separate interest and principal components.

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NOVEMBER 2, 1988

Today we are announcing the terms of our regular November quarterly refunding. I will also discuss the Treasury's financing requirements for the balance of the current quarter and our estimated cash needs for the January-March 1989 quarter.

The Treasury has used practically all of its authority to issue bonds. In the absence of sufficient bond authority, the Treasury is announcing a November 15 refunding that includes 3- and 10-year notes and a 37-day cash management bill, all settling on November 15.

1. We are offering \$19.0 billion of notes to refund \$16.8 billion of publicly-held coupon securities maturing on November 15 and to raise approximately \$2.2 billion of cash.

The two securities are:

--First, a 3-year note in the amount of \$9.5 billion maturing on November 15, 1991. This note will be auctioned on a yield basis on Tuesday, November 8. The minimum denomination will be \$5,000.

--Second, a 10-year note in the amount of \$9.5 billion maturing on November 15, 1998. This note will be auctioned on a yield basis on Wednesday, November 9. The minimum denomination will be \$1,000.

We will accept noncompetitive tenders up to \$1,000,000 for each of these issues.

2. We are also offering a 37-day cash management bill to settle on November 15 in the amount of \$11.0 billion to mature on December 22, 1988. This bill will be auctioned on a yield basis on Thursday, November 10. The minimum issue amount will be \$1,000,000 and any additional amounts will be issued in \$1,000,000 multiples. Noncompetitive tenders will not be accepted.

3. For the current October-December quarter, we estimate a net market borrowing need of \$28.3 billion in marketable securities, assuming a \$20 billion cash balance at the end of December. We may want to have a higher balance, depending on our assessment of cash needs and market conditions at the time.

4. Including the 3- and 10- year notes and the cash management bill, which matures before the end of the quarter, we will have raised \$12.4 billion in marketable borrowing. This was accomplished as follows:

--\$3.7 billion of cash from the 7-year note which settled October 17.

--\$0.9 billion paydown from the 2-year note which settled on October 31.

--\$7.4 billion of cash in regular weekly and 52-week bills, including the bills announced yesterday.

--\$2.2 billion of cash from the November 3- and 10-year notes.

The remaining net financing requirement of \$15.9 billion would be accomplished in part through a \$9.0 billion bond later in November or in early December to mature November 15, 2018, if Treasury has sufficient bond authority, or in the absence of such authority an additional cash management bill. Regular 13-, 26- and 52-week bills, 2-year notes in November and a 5-year, 2-month note in early December would account for the rest. The regular December 2- and 4-year notes will settle on January 3 and therefore are not included in the October-December quarter.

5. Our net market borrowing need in the January-March 1989 quarter is currently estimated in the range of \$40-45 billion, assuming a \$10 billion cash balance at the end of March.

We may wish to have a somewhat higher end-of-quarter cash balance than the \$10 billion.

6. The 10-year note announced today will be eligible for conversion to STRIPS (Separate Trading of Registered Interest and Principal of Securities) and, accordingly, may be divided into separate interest and principal components.