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PRESS NOTICE

STERLING TREASURY BILL TENDERS: APRIL-JUNE 2020 AND UPDATE ON COLLATERAL CREATION FOR DMO CASH MANAGEMENT OPERATIONS

In the first quarter of the 2020-21 financial year the United Kingdom Debt Management Office ("DMO") will hold weekly tenders at which the Treasury bills on offer will include one-month (approximately 28 days), three-month (approximately 91 days) and six-month (approximately 182 days) bills.

The precise quantities and maturities of Treasury bills on offer will be announced with the results of the regular tender taking place one week prior to the relevant tender. The tender and settlement dates for the April - June 2020 period are set out below. Please note that, owing to the April and May bank holidays, the tender in the week commencing 6 April 2020 will be held on Thursday 9 April 2020 and will settle on Tuesday 14 April 2020; the tender in the week commencing 4 May 2020 will be held on Thursday 7 May 2020 and will settle on Monday 11 May 2020; and the tender to be held on Friday 22 May 2020 will settle on Tuesday 26 May 2020.

Settlement date
6 April 2020
14 April 2020
20 April 2020
27 April 2020
4 May 2020
11 May 2020
18 May 2020
26 May 2020
1 June 2020
8 June 2020
15 June 2020
22 June 2020
29 June 2020

The next quarterly notice outlining the maturities of Treasury bills to be made available at regular tenders in the period July - September 2020 will be issued at 3.30pm on Friday 26 June 2020.

COLLATERAL FOR CASH MANAGEMENT OPERATIONS

The DMO is also announcing today that, on Tuesday 21 April 2020, and in accordance with paragraph D.10 of the DMO's 2020-21 Exchequer Cash Management Remit, an additional £15.0 billion (cash amount) of conventional gilts will be created and issued to the DMO to replace redeeming stock held as collateral. The collateral created will be used in the DMO's cash management operations.

Full details, including the nominal amount for each individual gilt to be created, will be published at 3.30pm on Thursday 9 April 2020. At that time, a table will be published on the DMO website showing the nominal amounts to be created and the revised nominal amounts outstanding (rounded to the nearest £1 million nominal). The amount of each gilt to be created will be designed to minimise as much as possible the impact on the weighting of relevant gilt indices.

The additional collateral will be held on the Debt Management Account by the DMO. These additional amounts will not be made available to the repo market as specific gilts for a period of three months, but may be used in Delivery by Value ("DBV") transactions.

NOTES TO EDITORS

Each quarter the DMO publishes a timetable of regular Treasury bill tenders for the quarter ahead, together with an indication of likely maturities.

The outturn amount that net Treasury bill issuance has contributed to debt financing in 2019-20 will be reported by the DMO in April 2020.

It is currently anticipated that net Treasury bill issuance will make a zero contribution to meeting the Net Financing Requirement in 2020-21. Any changes to this plan would be announced as part of any future revision to the 2020-21 financing remit. The outturn net contribution of Treasury bills to debt financing in 2020-21 will be reported by the DMO in April 2021.

Further information on Treasury bill issuance may be found in the Cash Management Operational Notice & UK Treasury Bills Information Memorandum, the latest edition of which was published by the DMO on 30 November 2018.

The Cash Management Operational Notice & UK Treasury Bills Information Memorandum and this press release are available on the DMO's website: <u>www.dmo.gov.uk</u>