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26 February 2008

PRESS NOTICE

AUCTION OF UK GOVERNMENT SECURITY (GILT)

Auction Details

Auction Date	Tuesday, 4 March 2008
Issue and Settlement Date	Wednesday, 5 March 2008
Bidding Convention	Fully paid Bid Price (see Note 1)
Accrued Interest payable with bid	Nil
Auction Close	10:30am London Time

Details of Security

Title	4½% Treasury Gilt 2013
Amount (nominal) for issue	£2,500 million
Nominal outstanding after issue	£2,500 million
Maturity Date	7 March 2013 at par
Interest Dates	7 March – 7 September
Parent ISIN Code	GB00B29WRG55
Parent SEDOL Code	B-29W-RG5
Strippable	No (see Note 3)
Interest Payable	Gross (see Note 2)
Next Interest Date	7 September 2008 - £2.274725 per £100 nominal (Long First Coupon)

“When Issued” Trading

under London Stock Exchange Rule 1530

Commences	3:30pm London Time: 26 February 2008
Closes	Close of business: 4 March 2008
“When issued” ISIN Code	GB00B29WRG55
“When issued” SEDOL Code	B-29W-RG5
TIDM (for trade reporting)	AUCA

Note 1: Bids may be made on either a competitive or a non-competitive basis. Details of the bidding procedures are set out in the prospectus and in the Information Memorandum. Gilt-edged Market Makers may bid by means of the Bloomberg Bond Auction System to the DMO not later than 10.30 am on Tuesday, 4 March 2008.



Note 2: Holders may elect to have United Kingdom income tax deducted from interest payments, should they so wish, on application to the Registrar, Computershare Investor Services PLC.

Note 3: The Gilt may not be stripped and reconstituted until so specified in a notice issued by the DMO.

Documentation

Prospectus DMO : 26 February 2008	www.dmo.gov.uk/documentview.aspx?docName=/gilts/public/prospectus/prosp260208.pdf
Information Memorandum relating to the Issue, Stripping and Reconstitution of British Government Stock DMO : August 2007	www.dmo.gov.uk/documentview.aspx?docname=publications/operationalrules/infmem200807.pdf
Formulae for Calculating Gilt Prices from Yields DMO : 16 March 2005	www.dmo.gov.uk/documentview.aspx?docname=/giltsmarket/formulae/yldeqns.pdf

Applications from Members of the Approved Group of Investors

Application forms from Approved Group members must be sent to Computershare Investor Services PLC, who are acting on behalf of the DMO, at the following address: PO Box 2411, The Pavilions, Bristol, BS99 6WX to arrive not later than 10.00 am on Tuesday, 4 March 2008. They may also be lodged by hand at the DMO, Eastcheap Court, 11 Philpot Lane, London, EC3M 8UD not later than 10.00 am on Tuesday, 4 March 2008.

The amount payable on application in the case of a non-competitive bid made by a member of the Approved Group is £102 per £100 nominal of the Gilt.

Remit 2007-08

Gilt sales of £58.4 billion (cash) are planned in 2007-08 and progress against the remit is summarised in the table below.

Gilt sales v remit at 15 February 2008 (£ millions)					
	Conventional Gilts			Index-linked gilts	Total
	Short	Medium	Long		
Gilt sales to date	7,534	10,019	21,377	12,927	51,857
Total planned sales	10,000	10,000	23,400	15,000	58,400
Sales remaining	2,466		2,023	2,073	6,562
Auctions remaining	1		1	2	4

