THIS NOTICE DOES NOT CONSTITUTE AN OFFER FOR SALE AND THE STOCK DESCRIBED BELOW IS NOT AVAILABLE FOR PURCHASE DIRECT FROM THE BANK OF ENGLAND. OFFICIAL DEALINGS IN THE STOCK ON THE INTERNATIONAL STOCK EXCHANGE ARE EXPECTED TO COMMENCE ON MONDAY, 10TH FEBRUARY 1992.

PARTICULARS OF AN ISSUE OF £1,500,000,000

9 per cent TREASURY STOCK, 2012

SCHEDULE OF PAYMENTS:

Amount paid on issue Amount payable on Monday, 13th April 1992

£50.00 per cent £49.25 per cent

INTEREST PAYABLE HALF-YEARLY ON 6TH FEBRUARY AND 6TH AUGUST

This Stock is an investment falling within Part II of the First Schedule to the Trustee Investments Act 1961. Application has been made to the Council of The International Stock Exchange for the Stock to be admitted to the Official List.

- 1. £1,250,000,000 of the above Stock has been issued to the Bank of England on 7th February 1992 at a price of £99.25 per cent; the balance of £250,000,000 has been reserved for the National Debt Commissioners for public funds under their management. The amount paid on issue was £50.00 per cent and the amount payable on 13th April 1992 will be £49.25 per cent.
- 2. The principal of and interest on the Stock will be a charge on the National Loans Fund, with recourse to the Consolidated Fund of the United Kingdom.
- 3. The Stock will be repaid at par on 6th August 2012.
- 4. The Stock will be registered at the Bank of England or at the Bank of Ireland, Belfast, and will be transferable, in multiples of one penny, by instrument in writing in accordance with the Stock Transfer Act 1963. Stock registered at the Bank of England held for the account of members of the Central Gilts Office (CGO) Service will also be transferable, in multiples of one penny, by exempt transfer in accordance with the Stock Transfer Act 1982 and the relevant subordinate legislation. Transfers will be free of stamp duty.
- 5. Interest will be payable half-yearly on 6th February and 6th August. Income tax will be deducted from payments of more than £5 per annum. Interest warrants will be transmitted by post. The first interest payment will be made on 6th August 1992 at the rate of £3.6555 per £100 of the Stock.
- 6. Stock of this issue and the interest payable thereon will be exempt from all United Kingdom taxation, present or future, so long as it is shown that the Stock is in the beneficial ownership of persons who are neither domiciled nor ordinarily resident in the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland.
- 7. Further, the interest payable on stock of this issue will be exempt from United Kingdom income tax, present or future, so long as it is shown that the Stock is in the beneficial ownership of persons who are not ordinarily resident in the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland.
- 8. For the purposes of the preceding paragraphs, persons are not ordinarily resident in the United Kingdom if they are regarded as not ordinarily resident for the purposes of United Kingdom income tax.
- 9. Applications for exemption from United Kingdom income tax should, in the case of interest on stock, be made in such form as may be required by the Commissioners of Inland Revenue. The appropriate forms may be obtained from the Inspector of Foreign Dividends, Inland Revenue, Lynwood Road, Thames Ditton, Surrey, KT7 0DP.
- 10. These exemptions will not entitle a person to claim repayment of tax deducted from interest unless the claim to such repayment is made within the time limit provided for such claims under income tax law; under the provisions of the Taxes Management Act 1970, Section 43 (1), no such claim will be outside this time limit if it is made within six years from the date on which the interest is payable. In addition, these exemptions will not apply so as to exclude the interest from any computation for taxation purposes of the profits of any trade or business carried on in the United Kingdom. Moreover, the allowance of the exemptions is subject to the provisions of any law, present or future, of the United Kingdom directed to preventing avoidance of taxation by persons domiciled, resident or ordinarily resident in the United Kingdom, and, in particular, the interest will not be exempt from income tax where, under any such provision, it falls to be treated for the purpose of the Income Tax Acts as income of any person resident or ordinarily resident in the United Kingdom.

- 11. The issue price of this Stock is such that it will not be a deep discount security for the purposes of Schedule 4 to the Income and Corporation Taxes Act 1988. Further issues of Stock under this notice may be at a deep discount (broadly, a discount exceeding ½ per cent per annum) and in certain circumstances this could result in all of the Stock issued under this notice being treated thereafter as a deep discount security. However, it is the intention of Her Majesty's Treasury that further issues of Stock under this notice will be conducted so as to prevent any of the Stock being treated as a deep discount security for United Kingdom tax purposes. Provided the Stock is neither a deep discount security, nor treated as a deep discount security, any discount to the nominal value at which the Stock is issued will not represent taxable income for United Kingdom tax purposes.
- 12. Until payment in full has been made and a completed registration form submitted to the Bank of England, the Stock (other than amounts held in the CGO Service for the account of members) will be represented by letters of allotment.
- 13. Payment in full may be made at any time prior to 13th April 1992 but no discount will be allowed on such payment. Interest may be charged on a day-to-day basis on any overdue amount which may be accepted at a rate equal to the London Inter-Bank Offered Rate for seven day deposits in sterling ("LIBOR") plus 1 per cent per annum. Such rate will be determined by the Bank of England by reference to market quotations, on the due date for such payment, for LIBOR obtained from such source or sources as the Bank of England shall consider appropriate. Default in due payment of any amount in respect of the Stock will render the allotment of such Stock liable to cancellation and any amount previously paid liable to forfeiture.
- 14. Letters of allotment may be split into denominations of multiples of £100 on written request to the Bank of England, New Issues, Southgate House, Southgate Street, Gloucester, GL1 1UW received not later than 9th April 1992. Such requests must be signed and must be accompanied by the letters of allotment.
- 15. Members of the CGO Service may, subject to the provisions governing membership of that Service, surrender a partly-paid letter of allotment to the CGO for cancellation and for the Stock comprised therein to be credited to the member's account. The member who is shown by the accounts of the CGO as being entitled to any Stock shall, to the exclusion of all persons previously entitled to such Stock and any person claiming any entitlement thereto, both be treated as entitled to such Stock as if that member were the holder of a letter of allotment and be liable for the payment of any amount due in respect of such Stock. A member will be entitled at any time prior to registration to withdraw, in multiples of £100, Stock credited to the member's account and to obtain a partly-paid letter of allotment comprising such Stock, and such member shall be liable for the payment of all amounts becoming due thereafter in respect of such Stock unless and until that letter of allotment is surrendered to the CGO for cancellation as aforesaid.
- 16. Payment of the final instalment due on 13th April 1992 must be sent to the Bank of England, New Issues, Southgate House, Southgate Street, Gloucester, GL1 1UW. Letters of allotment must be surrendered for registration, accompanied by a completed registration form, when the final instalment is paid, unless payment in full has been made before the due date, in which case they must be surrendered for registration not later than 13th April 1992; payment of the final instalment and registration of Stock held for the account of members of the CGO Service will be effected under separate arrangements.
- 17. Copies of this notice may be obtained by post from the Bank of England, New Issues, Southgate House, Southgate Street, Gloucester, GL1 1UW; at the Central Gilts Office, Bank of England, 1 Bank Buildings, Princes Street, London, EC2R 8EU or at any of the Branches or Agencies of the Bank of England; at the Bank of Ireland, Moyne Buildings, 1st Floor, 20 Callender Street, Belfast, BT1 5BN; or at any office of The International Stock Exchange in the United Kingdom.

Government Statement

Attention is drawn to the statement issued by Her Majesty's Treasury on 29th May 1985 which explained that, in the interest of the orderly conduct of fiscal policy, neither Her Majesty's Government nor the Bank of England or their respective servants or agents undertake to disclose tax changes decided on but not yet announced, even where they may specifically affect the terms on which, or the conditions under which, this Stock is issued or sold by or on behalf of the Government or the Bank; that no responsibility can therefore be accepted for any omission to make such disclosure; and that such omission shall neither render any transaction liable to be set aside nor give rise to any claim for compensation.

BANK OF ENGLAND LONDON

7th February 1992