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ISSUE OF GOVERNMENT STOCK

The United Kingdom Debt Management Office ("DMO") announces that Her Majesty's Treasury has created on 07 August 1998 an additional amount of the Stock listed below:

£150 million

4 3/8% Index-Linked Treasury Stock 2004

The issue price was the middle market price of the Stock at 10.15 am on 07 August 1998 as certified by the DMO.

The Stock now issued represents a further amount of the existing Stock, carrying the same rights as that Stock (subject to the provisions set out below relating to entitlement to the current interest payment) and subject to the terms and conditions applicable to that Stock.

The further issue of the Stock will rank for the full six months' interest on the next interest payment date applicable to the Stock.

Application has been made to the London Stock Exchange for the further amount of Stock to be admitted to the Official List.

Copies of the prospectus for 4 3/8% Index-Linked Treasury Stock 2004 dated 22 September 1992 may be obtained from the Bank of England, New Issues, Southgate House, Southgate Street, Gloucester, GL1 1UW. Other information and terms relating to the Stock are contained in the Information Memorandum relating to the Issue, Stripping and Reconstitution of British Government Stock, dated 12 May 1998 (the "Information Memorandum") which is available from the DMO, Cheapside House, 138 Cheapside, London EC2V 6BB.

The Stock is repayable, and interest is payable half-yearly, on the dates shown below (provision is made in the prospectus for stockholders to be offered the right of early redemption under certain circumstances):

Stock

4 3/8% Index-Linked Treasury Stock 2004

Redemption date

Interest payment dates

21 April 21 October

21 October 2004

Both the principal of and the interest on the Stock are indexed to the General Index of Retail Prices. Details of the manner of indexation are set out in the prospectus.

The relevant Index figures for the half-yearly interest payments on the Stock are as follows:

Interest payable April October Relevant Index figure
Published in
September of the previous year
March of the same year

Relating to August February

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