United Kingdom Debt Management Office

MARKET NOTICE: THE UK GOVERNMENT'S 2009 ASSET-BACKED SECURITIES GUARANTEE SCHEME

Extension of Entry Window for the Government's Asset-backed Securities Guarantee Scheme (the 2009 Scheme)

The European Commission has approved under EC Treaty state aid rules the extension of the entry window to 31 December 2009 of the 2009 Scheme which forms part of the Government's measures, announced on 19 January 2009, to support lending in the UK economy.

Further details of the European Commission's decision are available on the portal site of the European Union at:

http://europa.eu/rapid/showInformation.do?pageName=middayExpress&guiLanguage=en

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