THIS NOTICE DOES NOT CONSTITUTE AN OFFER FOR SALE AND THE STOCKS LISTED BELOW ARE NOT AVAILABLE FOR PURCHASE DIRECT FROM THE BANK OF ENGLAND. OFFICIAL DEALINGS IN THE STOCKS ON THE INTERNATIONAL STOCK EXCHANGE ARE EXPECTED TO COMMENCE ON MONDAY, 2ND NOVEMBER 1992.

ISSUES OF GOVERNMENT STOCK

The Bank of England announces that Her Majesty's Treasury has created on 30th October 1992, and has issued to the Bank, additional amounts as indicated of the Stocks listed below:

£150 million

2½ per cent INDEX-LINKED TREASURY STOCK, 2009

£150 million 2½ per cent INDEX-LINKED TREASURY STOCK, 2024

The price paid by the Bank on issue was in each case the middle market price of the relevant Stock at 3.30 p.m. on 30th October 1992 as certified by the Government Broker.

In each case, the amount issued on 30th October 1992 represents a further tranche of the relevant Stock, ranking in all respects *pari passu* with that Stock and subject to the terms and conditions applicable to that Stock, and subject also to the provision contained in the final paragraph of this notice; the current provisions for Capital Gains Tax are described below.

Application has been made to the Council of The International Stock Exchange for each further tranche of stock to be admitted to the Official List.

Copies of the prospectuses for $2\frac{1}{2}$ per cent Index-Linked Treasury Stock, 2009 dated 19th October 1982 and $2\frac{1}{2}$ per cent Index-Linked Treasury Stock, 2024 dated 19th December 1986 may be obtained from the Bank of England, New Issues, Southgate House, Southgate Street, Gloucester, GL1 1UW.

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

Stock

Redemption date

Interest payment dates

2½ per cent Index-Linked Treasury Stock, 2009

20th May 2009

20th May 20th November

17th July 2024

17th July

Both the principal of and the interest on $2\frac{1}{2}$ per cent Index-Linked Treasury Stock, 2009 and $2\frac{1}{2}$ per cent Index-Linked Treasury Stock, 2024 are indexed to the General Index of Retail Prices. The Index figure relevant to any month is that published seven months previously and relating to the month before the month of publication. The Index figure relevant to the month of issue of $2\frac{1}{2}$ per cent Index-Linked Treasury Stock, 2009 is that relating to February 1982 (310.7); the equivalent Index figure for $2\frac{1}{2}$ per cent Index-Linked Treasury Stock, 2024 is that relating to April 1986 (385.3). These Index figures will be used for the purposes of calculating payments of principal and interest due in respect of the relevant further tranches of stock: as provided for in the prospectuses, the calculations will take account of the revision of the Index to a new base of January 1987 = 100 (on the old base the Index for January 1987 was 394.5).

The relevant Index figures for the half-yearly interest payments on $2\frac{1}{2}$ per cent Index-Linked Treasury Stock, 2009 and $2\frac{1}{2}$ per cent Index-Linked Treasury Stock, 2024 are as follows:

Relevant Index figure

Interest payablePublished inRelating toMayOctober of the previous yearSeptemberNovemberApril of the same yearMarchJanuaryJune of the previous yearMayJulyDecember of the previous yearNovember

The further tranche of $2\frac{1}{2}$ per cent Index-Linked Treasury Stock, 2024 will rank for a full six months' interest due as on 17th January 1993. The further tranche of $2\frac{1}{2}$ per cent Index-Linked Treasury Stock, 2009 has been issued on an ex-dividend basis and will not rank for the next interest payment due on 20th November 1992.

Each of the Stocks referred to in this notice is specified under paragraph 1 of Schedule 9 to the Taxation of Chargeable Gains Act 1992 as a gilt-edged security (under current legislation exempt from tax on capital gains, irrespective of the period for which the Stock is held).

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, these further tranches of stock are 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.

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30th October 1992