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PRESS NOTICE

RESULT OF THE POST-AUCTION OPTION FACILITY 0 5/8% INDEX-LINKED TREASURY GILT 2042

An additional £73.970 million nominal of 0 5/8% Index-linked Treasury Gilt 2042 will be created for settlement on 09 March 2011 in respect of the amount purchased by the Gilt-edged Market Makers and investors during the Post-Auction Option Facility which closed at 2pm today.

This additional stock will be sold at the striking price of £97.50 and will take the total amount outstanding of 0 5/8% Index-linked Treasury Gilt 2042 to £9,400,550,000.00 nominal.