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24 February 2009

PRESS NOTICE

AUCTION OF UK GOVERNMENT SECURITY (GILT)

Auction Details

Auction Date	Wednesday, 4 March 2009
Issue and Settlement Date	Thursday, 5 March 2009
Bidding Convention	Fully paid Bid Price (see Note 1)
Accrued Interest payable with bid	Nil
Auction Close	10:30am London Time

Details of Security

Title	4¼% Treasury Gilt 2039
Amount (nominal) for issue	£2,250 million
Nominal outstanding after issue	£2,250 million
Maturity Date	7 September 2039 at par
Interest Dates	7 March – 7 September
Parent ISIN Code	GB00B3KJDS62
Parent SEDOL Code	B-3KJ-DS6
Strippable	No (see Note 2)
Interest Payable	Gross (see Note 3)
Next Interest Date	7 September 2009 - £2.148481 per £100 nominal (Long First Coupon)

“When Issued” Trading

under London Stock Exchange Rule 1530

Commences	3:30pm London Time: 24 February 2009
Closes	Close of business: 4 March 2009
“When issued” ISIN Code	GB00B3KJDS62
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TIDM (for trade reporting)	AUC

Note 1: Bids may be made on either a competitive or a non-competitive basis. Details of the bidding procedures are set out in the prospectus and in the Information Memorandum. Gilt-edged Market Makers may bid by means of the Bloomberg Bond Auction System to the DMO not later than 10.30 am on Wednesday, 4 March 2009.



Note 2. The Gilt may not be stripped and reconstituted until so specified in a notice issued by the DMO.

Note 3: Holders may elect to have United Kingdom income tax deducted from interest payments, should they so wish, on application to the Registrar, Computershare Investor Services PLC.

Documentation

Prospectus DMO : 24 February 2009	www.dmo.gov.uk/documentview.aspx?docName=/gilts/public/prospectus/prosp240209b.pdf
Information Memorandum relating to the Issue, Stripping and Reconstitution of British Government Stock DMO : August 2007	www.dmo.gov.uk/documentview.aspx?docname=publications/operationalrules/infmem200807.pdf
Formulae for Calculating Gilt Prices from Yields DMO : 16 March 2005	www.dmo.gov.uk/documentview.aspx?docname=/giltsmarket/formulae/yldeqns.pdf

Applications from Members of the Approved Group of Investors

Application forms from Approved Group members must be sent to Computershare Investor Services PLC, who are acting on behalf of the DMO, at the following address: PO Box 2411, The Pavilions, Bristol, BS99 6WX to arrive not later than 10.00 am on Wednesday, 4 March 2009. They may also be lodged by hand at the DMO, Eastcheap Court, 11 Philpot Lane, London, EC3M 8UD not later than 10.00 am on Wednesday, 4 March 2009.

The amount payable on application in the case of a non-competitive bid made by a member of the Approved Group is £108 per £100 nominal of the Gilt.

Remit 2008-09

Gilt sales of £146.4 billion (cash) are planned in 2008-09 and progress against the remit is summarised in the table below.

Gilt sales v remit at 24 February 2009 (£ millions)					
	Conventional Gilts			Index-linked gilts	Total
	Short	Medium	Long		
Gilt sales to date	55,662	27,193	25,281	17,786	125,922
Total planned sales	62,800	33,100	30,500	20,000	146,400
Total auctions planned	16	11	12	19	58
Sales remaining	7,138	5,907	5,219	2,214	20,478
Auctions remaining	2	2	2	2	8
Mini-tenders remaining	0	0	1	0	1

