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PRESS NOTICE

RESULT OF THE POST-AUCTION OPTION FACILITY FOR 4¼% TREASURY GILT 2027

An additional £224.97 million nominal of 4¼% Treasury Gilt 2027 will be created for settlement on 12 May 2010 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 average accepted price of £97.31 and will take the total amount outstanding of 4¼% Treasury Gilt 2027 to £23,900,209,000.00 nominal