NOTE TO EDITORS

The following statement was the basis for testimony today by Director Nicolas Retsinas, of the Office of Thrift Supervision, on examination and supervision systems before the Subcommittee on Financial Institutions and Consumer Credit of the House Banking Committee.

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