NOTE TO EDITORS

The following statement was the basis for testimony today on the condition of the thrift industry by Director Nicolas P. Retsinas, of the Office of Thrift Supervision (OTS), before the Subcommittee on Financial Institutions and Regulatory Relief of the Senate Banking Committee.

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