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New OLO 2017

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The Kingdom of Belgium intends to issue a new syndicated 10 year benchmark bond (OLO 49) in the near future, subject to market conditions. The Kingdom has mandated ABN AMRO, Deutsche Bank, HSBC and KBC Bank as joint bookrunners. The OLO auction scheduled for 29th January, 2007 is cancelled. Moreover, the Minister of Finance announces that the following 16 banks have been appointed as primary dealers in Belgian government securities for the year 2007: ABN AMRO, BARCLAYS, CALYON, CITIGROUP, CREDIT SUISSE, DEUTSCHE BANK, DEXIA, FORTIS, GOLDMAN SACHS, HSBC, ING, JP MORGAN, KBC, MORGAN STANLEY, SOCIETE GENERALE, UBS.

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