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Dear Colleagues,

I want to thank everyone for your patience during this challenging period. I know how difficult this was for staff who worked tirelessly during the shutdown to maintain critical functions, despite many constraints. I also understand how difficult it was for everyone who wanted to be here to continue performing their duties with exceptional skill and dedication. I am pleased to welcome you back.

Working together, we will make every effort to restore operations in order to best serve the American people. I have asked your managers to give you clear direction about the most pressing priorities that need your attention, and to help provide the resources you need to continue to do your jobs efficiently.

I know the shutdown may have created financial hardships for many of you. We are working to get all employees retroactive pay as soon as possible. Please do not hesitate to contact Human Resources or your supervisor for more information about available options to assist during this period.

Thank you again for all that you do for our country. Your perseverance during this time is a testament to the excellence of public servants and the caliber of Treasury employees.

With Kind Regards,

Jacob J. Lew