Minutes of the Financial Stability Oversight Council

Held December 13, 2012

PRESENT:

Timothy F. Geithner, Secretary of the Treasury and Chairperson of the Financial Stability Oversight Council
Ben Bernanke, Chairman, Board of Governors of the Federal Reserve System (Federal Reserve)
Martin J. Gruenberg, Chairperson, Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation (FDIC)
Mary Schapiro, Chairman, Securities and Exchange Commission (SEC)
Gary Gensler, Chairman, Commodity Futures Trading Commission (CFTC)
Richard Cordray, Director, Consumer Financial Protection Bureau (CFPB)
Edward DeMarco, Acting Director, Federal Housing Finance Agency (FHFA)
Debbie Matz, Chairman, National Credit Union Administration (NCUA)
Thomas J. Curry, Comptroller of the Currency, Office of the Comptroller of the Currency (OCC)
Roy Woodall, Independent Member with Insurance Expertise
Michael McRaith, Director, Federal Insurance Office, Department of the Treasury (non-voting member)
John P. Ducrest, Commissioner, Louisiana Office of Financial Institutions (non-voting member)
John Huff, Director, Missouri Department of Insurance, Financial Institutions, and Professional Registration (non-voting member)
David Massey, Deputy Securities Administrator, North Carolina Department of the Secretary of State, Securities Division (non-voting member)

GUESTS:

Department of the Treasury
Neal S. Wolin, Deputy Secretary
Mary J. Miller, Under Secretary for Domestic Finance
Lael Brainard, Under Secretary for International Affairs
Amias Gerety, Deputy Assistant Secretary for FSOC
Eric Thorson, Inspector General and Chairman of the Council of Inspectors General on Financial Oversight
Christopher J. Meade, Acting General Counsel

Board of Governors of the Federal Reserve System
Daniel K. Tarullo, Governor
Nellie Liang, Director, Office of Financial Stability Policy and Research

Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation
Arthur Murton, Director, Division of Insurance and Research

Securities and Exchange Commission
Elisse Walter, Commissioner
Robert Cook, Director, Division of Trading and Markets
Commodity Futures Trading Commission
Dan Berkovitz, General Counsel

Consumer Financial Protection Bureau
Raj Date, Deputy Director

Federal Housing Finance Agency
Mario Ugoletti, Special Advisor to the Director

National Credit Union Administration
John Worth, Chief Economist

Office of the Comptroller of the Currency
John Lyons, Senior Deputy Comptroller and Chief National Bank Examiner

Office of the Independent Member with Insurance Expertise
Chris Ledoux, Senior Advisor

Federal Reserve Bank of New York
William Dudley, President and Chief Executive Officer

Federal Insurance Office
Beth Sammis, Senior Insurance Regulatory Policy Analyst

Louisiana Office of Financial Institutions
Mike Stevens, Senior Executive Vice President, Conference of State Bank Supervisors

Missouri Department of Insurance, Financial Institutions, and Professional Registration
Mark Sagat, Counsel and Manager, Financial Policy and Legislation, National Association of Insurance Commissioners

North Carolina Department of the Secretary of the State, Securities Division
Joe Opron, Counsel, North American Securities Administrators Association

PRESENTERS:

*Macro-environment Overview: Fiscal Developments*
  * Timothy F. Geithner, Secretary of the Treasury and Chairperson of the Financial Stability Oversight Council*

*International Derivatives Regulation*
  * Gary Gensler, Chairman, CFTC*
  * Mary Schapiro, Chairman, SEC*
  * Elisse Walter, Commissioner, SEC*
  * Robert Cook, Director, Division of Trading and Markets, SEC*
Access to Mortgage Credit

- Jacqueline Mesa, Director, Office of International Affairs, CFTC
- Michael Stegman, Counselor, Housing Finance Policy, Treasury
- Darrin Benhart, Deputy Comptroller for Credit Risk, OCC
- Michael Polumbo, Associate Director, Research and Statistics, Federal Reserve
- Raj Date, Deputy Director, CFTC
- Mario Ugoletti, Special Advisor to the Director, FHFA
- Timothy Bowler, Deputy Assistant Secretary for Capital Markets, Treasury

Dodd-Frank Act Section 113 Authority to Designate Money Market Mutual Funds

- Scott Alvarez, General Counsel, Federal Reserve
- Mark Van Der Weide, Senior Associate Director, Division of Banking Supervision and Regulation, Federal Reserve

Council Governance

- Amias Gerety, Deputy Assistant Secretary for FSOC, Treasury

Executive Session

The Chairperson called the executive session of the meeting of the Financial Stability Oversight Council (Council) to order at approximately 10:02 A.M. (EST). He began by thanking SEC Chairman Schapiro for her service to the SEC and the Council, and welcoming SEC Commissioner Walter, who will replace Chairman Schapiro on the Council. The Chairperson also welcomed Eric Thorson, Inspector General of Treasury and Chairman of the Council of Inspectors General on Financial Oversight, who was observing the meeting.

He then outlined the meeting agenda, which had been previously distributed to the members together with copies of the resolutions and other materials. The agenda for the meeting included the following subjects: (1) fiscal developments; (2) international derivatives regulation; (3) access to mortgage credit; (4) authority under section 113 of the Dodd-Frank Wall Street Reform and Consumer Protection Act (Dodd-Frank Act) to designate money market mutual funds; (5) Council governance, including consideration of, and a vote on, a resolution approving the appointment of an Executive Director of the Council; and (6) consideration of, and a vote on, a resolution approving the minutes of the Council’s meeting on December 3, 2012.

1. Macro-environment Overview: Fiscal Developments Update

The Chairperson turned to the first agenda item and provided the Council with an update on current fiscal developments, including various possible paths for the ongoing fiscal negotiations. After the presentation, members of the Council asked questions and had a discussion.

2. International Derivatives Regulation

The Chairperson then called on Gary Gensler, Chairman of the CFTC; Mary Schapiro, Chairman of the SEC; and Elisse Walter, Commissioner of the SEC, to give a presentation on international derivatives regulation. Robert Cook, Director of the Division of Trading and Markets at the
The Chairperson then introduced the agenda item regarding access to mortgage credit and asked Michael Stegman, Counselor for Housing Finance Policy at Treasury, to give the presentation. Darrin Benhart, Deputy Comptroller for Credit Risk at the OCC; Michael Polumbo, Associate Director of Research and Statistics at the Federal Reserve; Raj Date, Deputy Director of the CFTC; Mario Ugoletti, Special Advisor to the Director at the FHFA; and Timothy Bowler, Deputy Assistant Secretary for Capital Markets at Treasury, were available for questions. After Mr. Stegman gave a presentation, members of the Council asked questions and had a discussion.

4. Consideration of Dodd-Frank Act Section 113 Authority to Designate Money Market Mutual Funds

The Chairperson turned to the next agenda item and called on Scott Alvarez, General Counsel of the Federal Reserve, and Mark Van Der Weide, Senior Associate Director of the Division of Banking Supervision and Regulation at the Federal Reserve, to give the presentation. Section 113 of the Dodd-Frank Act authorizes the Council to designate a nonbank financial company for Federal Reserve supervision and enhanced prudential standards. Mr. Alvarez and Mr. Van Der Weide gave a presentation related to the applicability of Section 113 of the Dodd-Frank Act to designate money market mutual funds or their sponsors. After the presentation, members of the Council asked questions and had a discussion.

5. Council Governance

The Chairperson turned to the next agenda item, regarding Council governance, and asked Amias Gerety, Deputy Assistant Secretary for FSOC at Treasury, to provide an update. Mr. Gerety provided an update on recent developments since Council governance was last discussed at the Council’s meeting on November 13, 2012. The Chairperson then presented to the Council the following resolution approving the appointment of Patrick Pinschmidt to serve as Executive Director of the Council.

“WHEREAS, Section XXX.3 of the Rules of Organization of the Financial Stability Oversight Council (Bylaws) establishes the position of Executive Director of the Financial Stability Oversight Council (Council), whose duties are to advise and assist the Council in carrying out
its responsibilities under the Dodd-Frank Wall Street Reform and Consumer Protection Act, assist in providing general direction with respect to the administration of the Council’s actions, assist in directing the activities of staff, and perform such other duties as the Chairperson may require;

WHEREAS, Section XXX.3(a)(2)(A) of the Bylaws authorizes the Chairperson to designate an individual to serve as Executive Director of the Council, subject to the Council approving by a majority vote of the voting members then serving the appointment of an individual to serve as Executive Director; and

WHEREAS, in order to assist in the conduct of business by the Council, the Chairperson recommends that the Council approve the appointment of Patrick Pinschmidt to serve as Executive Director of the Council.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Council hereby approves the appointment of Patrick Pinschmidt to serve as Executive Director of the Council, to serve until such time as he resigns or his appointment is terminated as Executive Director of the Council, he is no longer serving as an employee of the Department of the Treasury, or the Council approves the appointment of a new Executive Director of the Council, whichever occurs first.”

The Chairperson asked for a motion approving the resolution, which was made and seconded. The Council then approved the resolution by unanimous vote.

6. Resolution Approving the Minutes of the Meeting held on December 3, 2012

“BE IT RESOLVED, by the Financial Stability Oversight Council (the “Council”), that the minutes attached hereto of the meeting held on December 3, 2012 of the Council are hereby approved.”

The Chairperson asked for a motion to approve the resolution, which was made and seconded. The Council approved the resolution by unanimous vote.

The Chairperson asked for a motion to adjourn the meeting, and the Council voted to adjourn. The Chairperson adjourned the meeting at approximately 12:00 P.M. (EST).