

To: All EMTA Members

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Re: Monday's Markets

Consistent with the US domestic bond markets, EMTA is recommending that the trading market in New York City for Brady bonds and other Emerging Market debt instruments be open on Monday, September 17, but again close early at 2:00 pm (NYC time). The status of the bond markets for Tuesday, September 18, will be reviewed during the course of Monday, and a further EMTA recommendation will follow such review.

Trading activity will obviously continue to be affected by the situation in lower Manhattan, although we understand that some firms will be regaining access to their premises there early next week. We continue to advise that market participants consult with their proposed counterparties and intermediaries to ensure that they share expectations regarding trade processing, clearance and settlement. The status of NYC broker screens remains uncertain, but we are advised that EMCC is fully operational and operating normally.

We understand that the re-direction by some firms of trading activity and/or trade processing to London has taken some pressure off of NYC's trading infrastructure, but such re-direction appears to have resulted in an overload of transactions late in Friday's London trading day at at least one London-based broker. During the course of Monday's trading day in London, the capacity of the London-based brokers will be monitored and evaluated so that an assessment of the market's available trading alternatives can be communicated to market participants at or about the opening of the New York trading day.

As further information becomes available regarding the status of NYC and London trading infrastructure, we will endeavor to publish it in the New Developments area of EMTA's website ([www.emta.org](http://www.emta.org)). In anticipation of the possibility that the unavailability of broker screens at some point in Monday's trading day could compel dealers to trade directly 'face-to-face', dealers are urged to provide EMTA (by e-mail at [mchamb@emta.org](mailto:mchamb@emta.org)) with contact information for their traders for posting in the New Developments area of EMTA's website.

EMTA's offices at 63 Wall Street are likely to re-open early next week, and, until then, all efforts will be made, through the monitoring of e-mail and telephone messages, to be responsive to market inquiries and other needs, and to be available as a clearinghouse of information during this time. If you wish, please do not hesitate to call me at 914-693-8939 until EMTA's offices re-open.