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Matters for consideration at the meeting of the Federal Open Market Committee to be held on Tuesday, July 16, 1968, at 9:30 a.m.

- 1. Approval of the minutes of actions taken at the meeting of the Federal Open Market Committee on June 18, 1968.
- 2. Acceptance of memorandum of discussion for the meeting of the Federal Open Market Committee held on June 18, 1968.
- 3. Ratification of action taken on July 2, 1968, approving an increase in the reciprocal currency arrangement with the Bank of France from \$100 million to \$700 million, including the conforming amendment to paragraph 2 of the authorization for System foreign currency operations.
- 4. Report by the Special Manager for foreign currency operations on such operations since the meeting of the Federal Open Market Committee on June 18, 1968; action with respect to transactions during such period; and consideration of recommendations of the Special Manager.
- 5. Discussion of Federal Reserve participation in the proposed arrangement for funding sterling balances. (See memorandum from the General Counsel dated July 1, 1968.)
- 6. Report by the Manager of the System Open Market Account on open market operations since the meeting of the Federal Open Market Committee on June 18, 1968; and action with respect to transactions during such period.
- 7, Further discussion of memorandum from the Account Manager dated June 6, 1968, on "System Subscriptions in Treasury Cash Refundings." (See also memorandum from the General Counsel dated June 12, 1968.)
- 8. Discussion of questions relating to the interest rate on System repurchase agreements. (See memoranda from the Account Manager dated April 25 and May 22, 1968, and from Mr. Keir of the Board's staff dated May 27, 1968.

- 9. Staff reports on economic and financial developments.
- 10. Discussion of factors bearing on monetary and credit policy; and derivation of consensus regarding open market operations in the forthcoming period.
- 11. Current economic policy directive to the Federal Reserve Bank of New York. (Copy of June 18, 1968, directive attached.)
- 12. Confirmation of date for next meeting (August 13, 1968).

Attachment