### APPENDIX 1

Notes and charts used by Mr. Fisher in his presentation

### Summary, Manager's Notes FOMC Meeting March 31, 1998

- 1. G-3 short-term, forward interest rate curves remain relatively flat.
- 2. Greed eclipses fear in asset markets, except in Japan.
- 3. The flat forward pricing of short-term interest rates reflects a "clearing price" between divergent views about the direction of the Committee's next move, not a conviction about the likelihood of steady policy.
  - Q: Why hasn't a risk premium, associated with this uncertainty, been more evident in the Treasury yield curve?

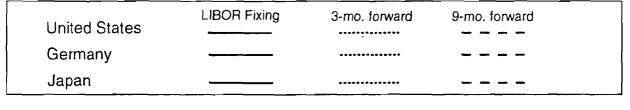
In general, expanding risk appetites have consumed it.

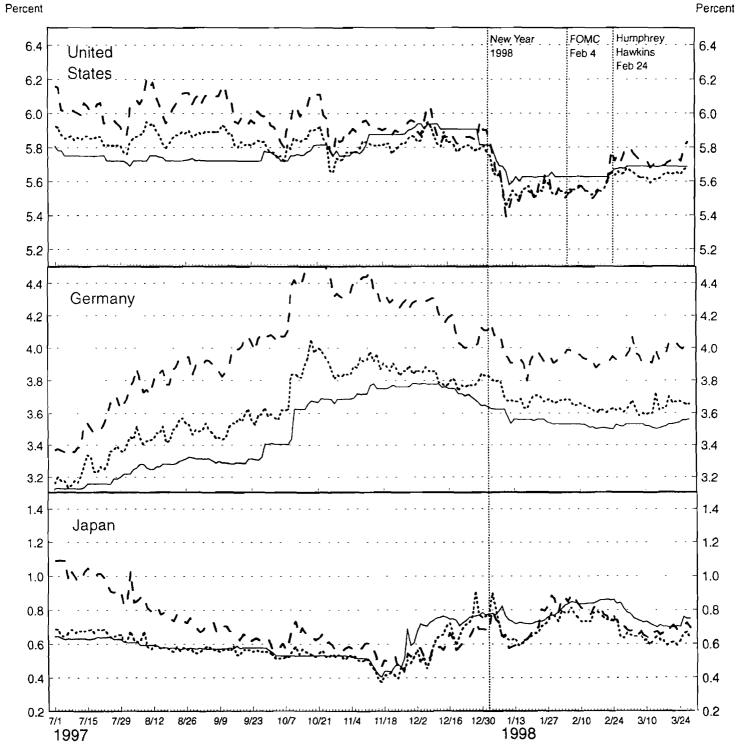
In particular, reductions in Treasury supply (both actual and anticipated), combined with the flat, forward money market curve, have recently been encouraging dealers to extend duration, tending to flatten the Treasury yield curve.

4. The Desk is preparing for the heavy tax inflows of April and May to cause a sharp rise in the Treasury balance leading, once again, to the need for much larger operations than normal.

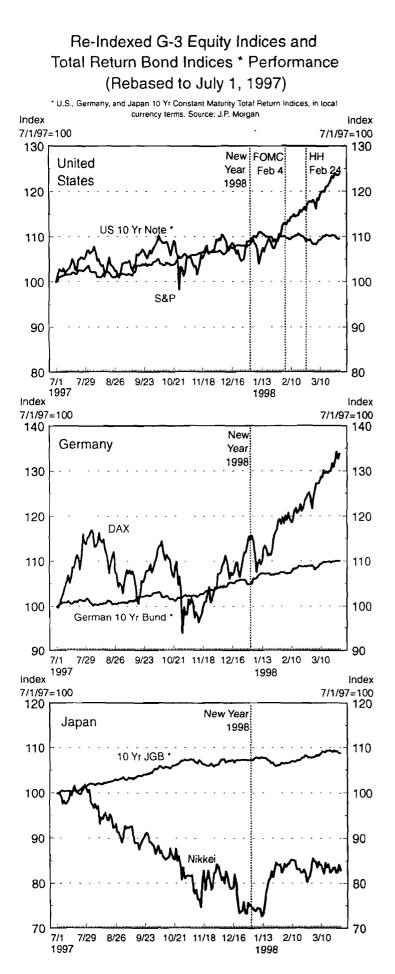
# 3-Month Deposit Rates July 1, 1997 - March 27, 1998

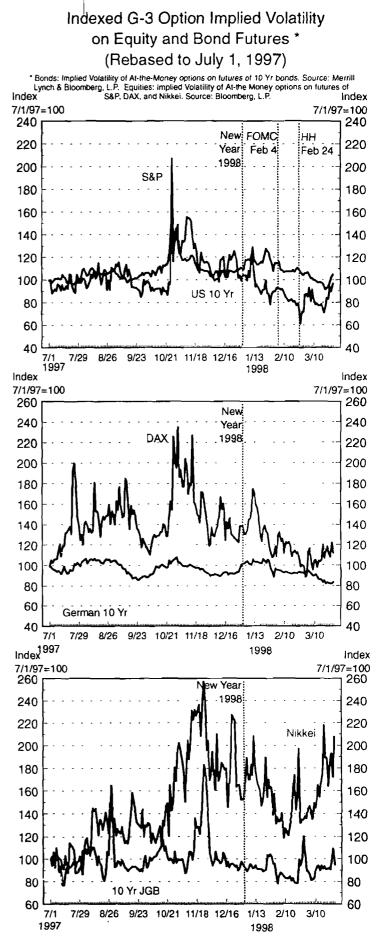
Current Euro-deposit Rate and Rates Implied by Traded Forward Rate Agreements





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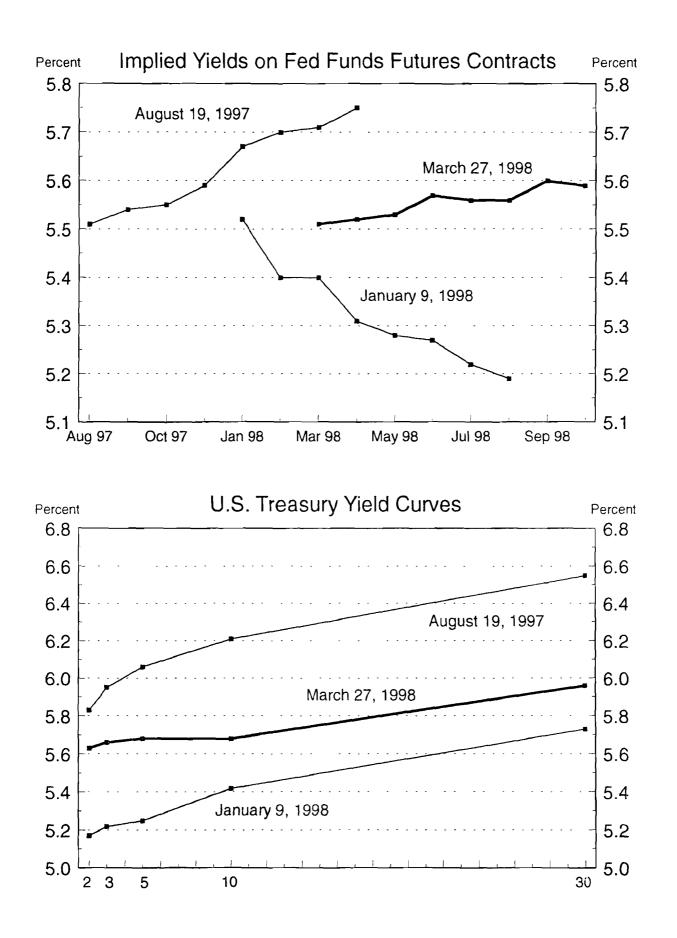
Growth needs to be moderate, or slowed, to avoid a rise in inflation.

Growth can be strong, even accelerate, without a rise in inflation because of investment, productivity growth, competition and technological innovation.

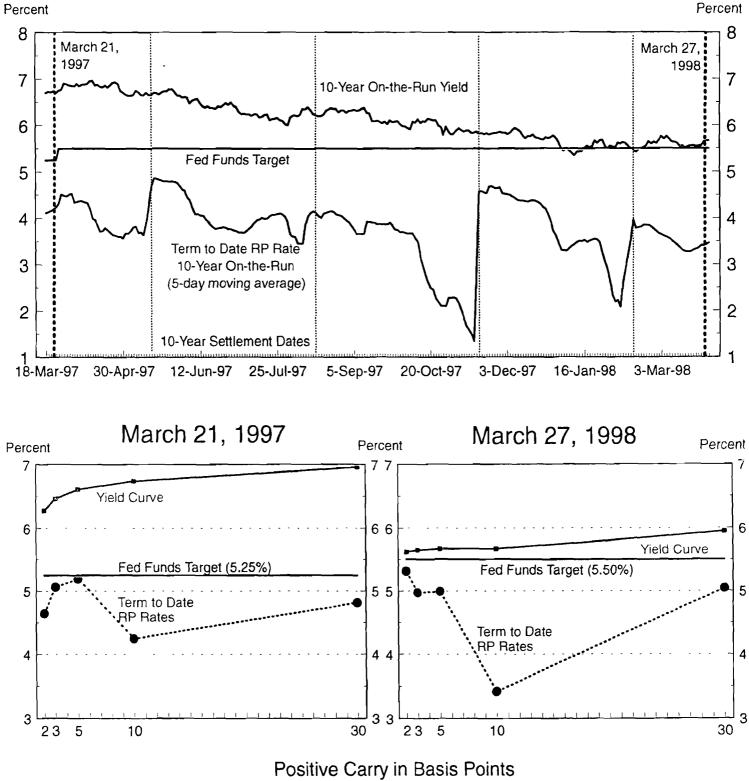
<u>August 1997</u>	<u>Pessimist</u>	<u>Optimist</u>	<u>Optimist</u>	<u>Pessimist</u>
View of the economy:	INFLATION is about to break out! It's hiding in the lags.	Inflation is probably coming; but how soon is hard to tell.	It's a new era: productivity growth is taming inflation.	DEFLATION is here! There's no pricing power. Global capacity glut looms ahead.
View of the Fed:	Behind the curve; providing too much liquidity.	Doing a good job; maybe they can pull this off for a few more quarters	Doing a great job! Greenspan is a genius! Maybe they can pull this off forever	Way too tight; only making the deflation worse.
Response to low inflation and strong activity (e.g., 8/13 PPI and retail sales)	Sells stocks short; sells bonds short at low yields.	Buys stocks and bonds on dips; sells them on rallies.	Buys loads of stock and some bonds whenever possible.	Sells stocks short; buys Treasuries.

#### <u>NOW</u>

Portfolio consistent with outlook:	Leveraged: 60% <u>short</u> stocks 40% <u>short</u> bonds	Cash, trading in & out of: 60% <u>long</u> stocks 40% <u>long</u> bonds	Leveraged: buy and hold 60% <u>long</u> stocks 40% <u>long</u> bonds	Leveraged: 60% <u>short</u> stocks <u>Un</u> leveraged: 40% <u>long</u> bonds
Result to date:	CRUSHED	Keeping up with the indices	Beating the indices	NEGATIVE RETURNS: losses in short stock positions overwhelm profits in long bond position



# Positive Carry of On-the-Run Treasuries



2 Year	3 Year	5 Year	10 Year	30 Year
164	140	142	250	215
31	68	68	226	91
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## **Forecast and Actual Federal Budget Receipts**

January - March	Forecast (\$Billions)	Percent Error*
Treasury as of Oct 96	338.5	3.0%
Board as of Dec 96	333.0	4.6%
FRBNY as of Dec 96	333.0	4.6%
Actual	349.1	

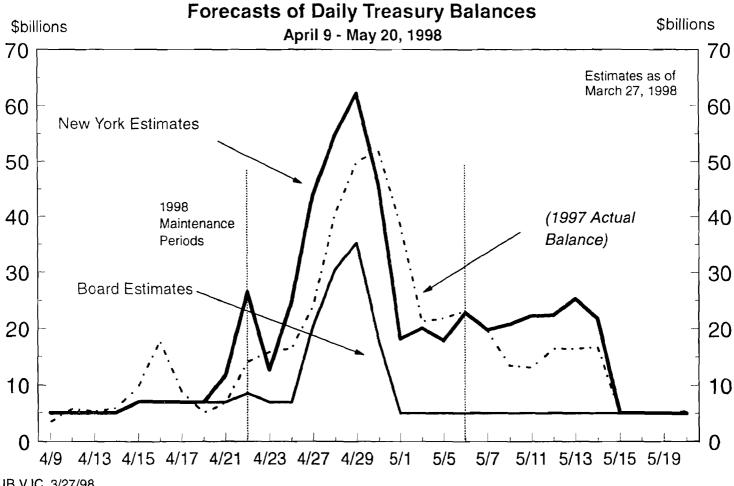
April - June	Forecast (\$Billions)	Percent Error*
Treasury as of Feb 97	443.3	10.7%
Board as of Mar 97	460.0	7.3%
FRBNY as of Mar 97	452.0	8.9%
Actual	496.4	

### 1998

January - March	Forecast (\$Billions)	Percent Error*
Treasury as of Oct 97	376.0	0.3%
Board as of Dec 97	369.0	2.2%
FRBNY as of Dec 97	366.7	2.8%
Preliminary Actual	377.2	

April - June	Forecast (\$Billions)	
Treasury as of Mar 98	525.6	
Board as of Mar 98	516.0	
FRBNY as of Mar 98	547.6	

\*Percent error = ((Actual-Forecast)/Actual)\*100



### 1997

JB,VJC 3/27/98

### APPENDIX 2

Chart used by Mr. Kohn in his presentation

