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TO: Federal Open Market Committee

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In light of the very recent strength of the dollar, staff proposes dropping the word "slight" shown in line 28 of the draft directive. The new sentence would read as follows:

In foreign exchange markets, the trade-weighted value of the dollar in terms of the other G-10 currencies FLUCTUATED WIDELY OVER declined further over the first several weeks of the intermeeting period but ENDED THE PERIOD HIGHER ON BALANCE it has stabilized more recently.