Meeting Between Federal Reserve Staff and Americans for Financial Reform
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Summary: Federal Reserve Staff met with representatives of Americans for Financial Reform to discuss stress testing under the Dodd-Frank Wall Street Reform and Consumer Protection Act. The discussion focused on the level of disclosure contemplated for stress test results, the process for reviewing company run stress tests, and whether systemic risk considerations would be factored into the stress test parameters. The representatives also sought clarification on when the stress tests would be implemented and how the stress tests would be integrated into the Federal Reserve’s ongoing supervisory activities.