Meeting Between Staff of the Federal Reserve, the Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation, Connecticut Department of Banking, Massachusetts Division of Banks and Representatives of Nonprofit Organizations
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Summary: Staff of the Federal Reserve, Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation, Connecticut Department of Banking, and Massachusetts Division of Banks met with representatives from nonprofits in the New England region to discuss the Federal Reserve Board’s advance notice of proposed rulemaking (ANPR) on an approach to modernize regulations that implement the Community Reinvestment Act (CRA). The participants’ discussion included the CRA ANPR’s assessment areas, evaluation framework, asset threshold between small and large banks, qualified community development activities, the rating system, consideration of securitized mortgages, and identification of rural and underbanked communities in the context of the CRA ANPR’s retail services subtest.