

## News release

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## **Dollar Swap Facility**

The Federal Reserve and the Bank of England have agreed to establish a temporary swap facility in order to facilitate the functioning of financial markets and to provide liquidity in US dollars.

Under the terms of the facility, the Bank of England would be able to draw up to \$30 billion in exchange for sterling. The US dollar proceeds would, if necessary, be made available to banks in the UK to facilitate the settlement of their US dollar transactions. This temporary arrangement will expire in thirty days.

The Bank of England will issue a market notice on Monday, 17 September giving details of how the facility can be used.