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16TH JANUARY 2004.

COUPON ANNOUNCEMENT OF THE 18^{TH} OF APRIL TREASURY BOND 2020.

COUPON : 4.5%

MATURITY : 18th APRIL 2020

ISSUE : 20th JANUARY 2004 CLOSING AT 9.15AM.

SETTLEMENT : 23rd JANUARY 2004

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FULL DESCRIPTION THE 4.5% TREASURY BOND 18^{TH} APRIL 2020. THE BOND WILL HAVE A SHORT COUPON TO THE 18TH APRIL 2004.