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Corporate Cash Levels

Proposed IRS 385 Reform

Disruptors - Panelist Discussion

- Money Market Fund Reform
- Beyond Brexit
- Longer-Term Country/Political Risk



Corporate Cash Levels

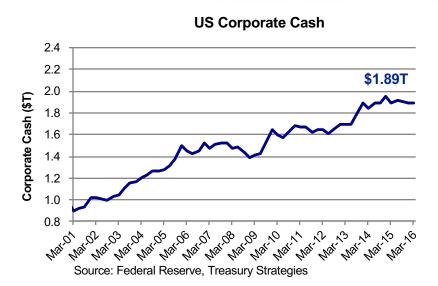




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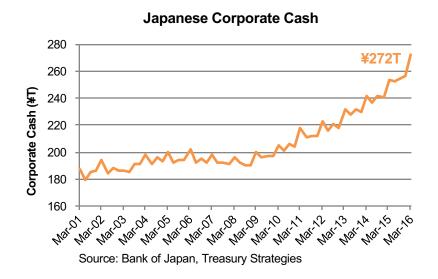








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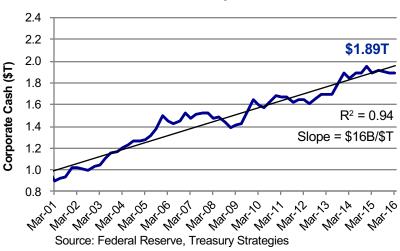


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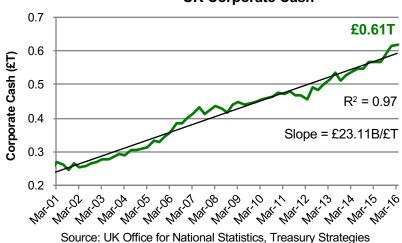




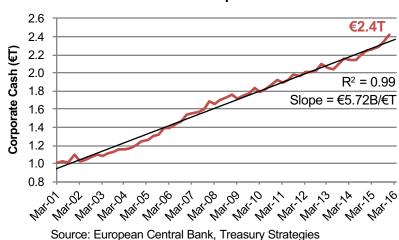




UK Corporate Cash



Eurozone Corporate Cash



Japanese Corporate Cash







Corporate Cash as % GDP by Region





Country/Region	December 2000	March 2016
United States	9%	10%
Eurozone	15%	23%
United Kingdom	24%	33%
Japan	37%	55%

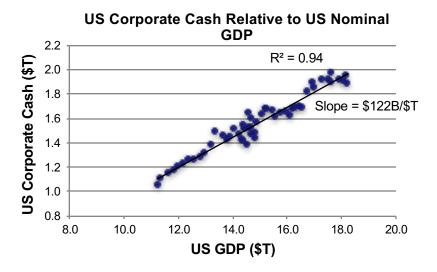
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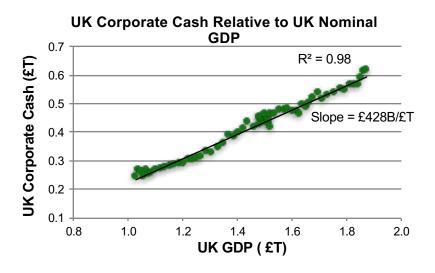


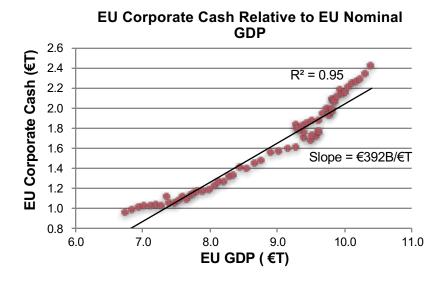
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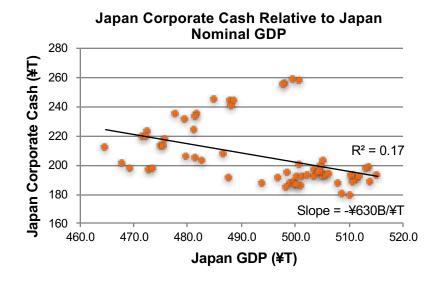












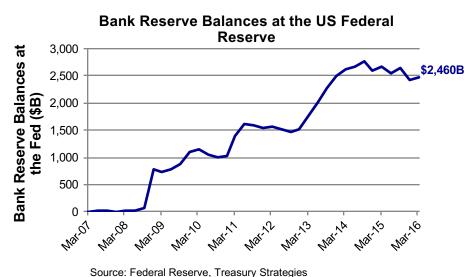


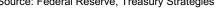


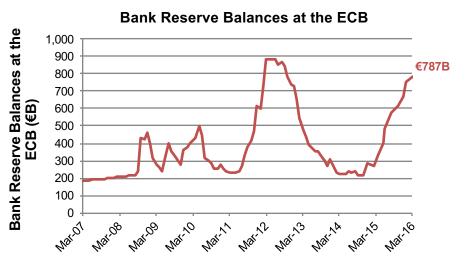
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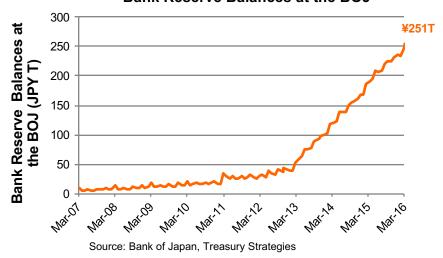
Source: European Central Bank, Treasury Strategies

Bank Reserve Balances at the BOE



Source: Bank of England, Treasury Strategies

Bank Reserve Balances at the BOJ







Central Bank Assets as % GDP by Region





US Federal Reserve Total Assets as % of GDP



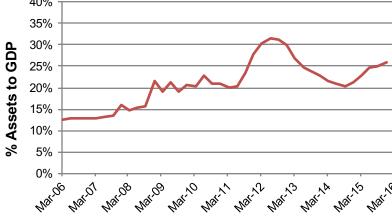
Source: U.S. Bureau of Economic Analysis, St. Louis Federal Reserve, Treasury Strategies

BOE - Total Assets as % of GDP



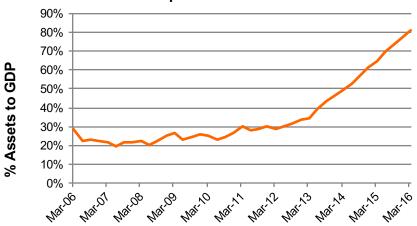
Source: UK Office of National Statistics, Bank of England, Treasury Strategies

European Central Bank - Total Assets as % of GDP



Source: St. Louis Federal Reserve, Treasury Strategies

Bank of Japan - Total Assets as % of GDP



Source: Bank of Japan, St. Louis Federal Reserve, Treasury Strategies

US Dept. of the Treasury IRS Rule 385





Overview of the Proposed Regulations





Treatment of Certain Interests in Corporations as Stock or Indebtedness (REG-108060-15)

Primary intent is to reduce or eliminate corporate inversions in which a US company merges into a non-US company.

Secondary intent is to penalize certain intercompany cost allocations which Treasury refers to as "earnings stripping."

Practical effect is to put at risk most corporate treasury management programs and the supporting bank services.

- Corporate cash commingling that fails several complex IRS tests will be subject to serious penalties.
- Debt involved in routine corporate cash management transactions could be reclassified as equity or a hybrid, resulting in lost of interest deductions, tax credits, etc.

"The proposed rules apply to purported indebtedness issued to certain related parties, without regard to whether the parties are domestic or foreign."

Source: www.irs.gov





Areas of Concern for Corporations and Financial Institutions





- 1. Impact on routine cash management practices and banking structures
- 2. Extensive documentation for commingling intra-corporate funds
- 3. Low threshold of \$50M
- 4. Three-year look back and three-year look ahead
- 5. Draconian penalties





Unintended Consequences





- 1. The rules go far beyond the scope of corporate inversions and potentially impacts most mid-sized and large American businesses, increasing costs and reducing capital efficiency.
- 2. The rules will decrease bank lending to businesses and consumers by forcing commercial banks to incur higher capital requirements, and an increase in "high quality liquid assets" (HQLA) required under Basel III.
- 3. The rules will add a further drag to capital efficiency. Corporations will set aside additional capital to fund routine transactions rather than risk tripping a violation of these far-reaching rules. Banks will then need to set aside more capital and HQLA to support the increase in corporate deposits. Together, this additional stranded corporate and bank capital will depress economic activity.





A Path Forward





Treasury Strategies proposes that Rule 385 be drafted more narrowly to avoid these draconian unintended consequences. The new draft should:

- 1. Enumerate the cash management principles we outlined above as being outside the scope of 385.
- 2. Define a specific safe harbor for companies so they will not need to take extreme measures to avoid accidentally triggering a reclassification.
- 3. Eliminate the three-year look back and the three-year look ahead for transactions that take place solely within a corporation's operating cash pool.

See http://www.treasurystrategies.com/sites/default/files/TreasuryStrategies385PathForward.pdf

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Panelist Discussion

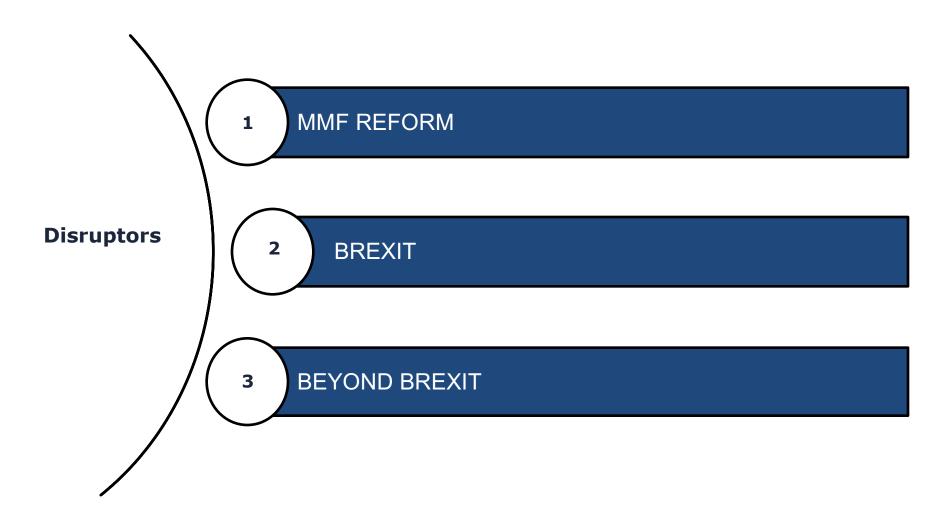




Panelist Discussion







Brexit and Beyond Brexit





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