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4 the Global Markets Advisory Committee members for
5 being here today. I know you all have a lot on
6 your plates right now, so I want to say how much
7 we appreciate you taking time out of your busy
8 schedules to join us today to discuss a number of
9 the important issues that we have before us at the

11 worked hard to put together the presentations that 12 we have on our agenda today.

14 Peter Kerstens from the European Commission. They
15 were kind enough to join us last December at our
16 GMAC meeting and they're here again today to
17 continue the discussion on coordinating our
18 financial reform globally, and so I want to thank
19 them also for being here.
I also want to welcome two guests from the Japanese FSA, Mr. Sumi and Mr. Mori, who are here to update us on legislation that passed in

1 Japan earlier this year regarding OTC derivatives.
2 I want to welcome also SEC Commissioner Kathy
3 Casey, who is with us today and, as you all know,
4 is very active in global coordination on financial
5 regulatory issues. committee members could go around the table and

8 introduce themselves and their affiliation and
9 then I will turn my colleagues on the dais. If we 10 could start with Don.

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18 the CEO of Intercontinental Exchange.

20 Reval. We provide derivatives solutions to about 21400 end users.

MR. WILSON: I'm Don Wilson. I'm the founder and CEO of DRW Trading which is a principal trading group. I am also one of the founding members of the Eris Exchange which is a futures exchange that has listed swap futures and clears them at the CME.

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MR. VOLSTAD: I'm Conrad Volstad and I'm

MR. BERLIAND: I'm Richard Berliand,

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2 Japanese FSA.

4 Japanese FSA. Thank you for your invitation.

6 for being here. I think we may have Mike Dawley
7 who is the Chairman of the Futures Industry
8 Association on the phone. Mike, are you on the
9 phone?

15 statements. I'd like to let you know that as for 16 the microphones you push to talk, and if you could

17 push after you're finished with your remarks.
18 There can only be so many microphones on at the 19 same time so I ask you to turn those off after 20 you've finished speaking. If you would like to 21 make a remark or have a question or comment, if 22 you can put your name tent up to be recognized.

1 Finally, for the reporter doing the transcript
2 today, if everyone could identify themselves
3 before they speak that's very helpful.

5 Gensler for any opening statements.

7 Commissioner Sommers for chairing today's meeting.
8 I just turned to Commissioner Sommers as you were
9 introducing yourselves and said this is really an 10 extraordinary group of people to be in one room at 11 the same time. Many of you came in and chatted 12 with us before the Dodd-Frank bill and now that 13 it's passed. I thank you each for your service 14 because I know I benefit and I think staff

15 benefits and I'm sure our Commissioners benefit 16 from your expertise.

We're hard at work at this and I want to 18 also thank my fellow Commissioners for everything 19 that they're doing, and Kathy you're here too, so 20 thanks to everything the SEC is doing because we 21 have so many joint rules with the SEC. We're

22 moving forward to harmonize our rules with the SEC

1 so it's terrific to have Kathy with us. Sometimes
2 we need an odd number to sort through things. I
3 also want to thank the members of the Japanese

4 Financial Services Authority and the European
5 Commission. I've worked a little bit more closely
6 with the European Commission recently but I lived

7 in Japan for 3 years so maybe that will up for the

8 fact that $I$ haven't been to visit yet in my stead

9 here. Japan passed their derivatives reform bill
10 first in I think it was May, the European
11 Commission just released their proposals and I
12 look forward to coordinating in consultation with 13 each jurisdiction as we implement the reform. We 14 benefit from a very strong working relationship

15 across the oceans. Last week I traveled to

16 Brussels to meet with members of the European
17 Commission and spoke at a conference at their
18 request. As we had in Dodd-Frank, the European
19 proposal covers the entire derivatives marketplace 20 both bilaterals and cleared swaps. It's the whole 21 product suite. The Japanese proposal as well

22 includes the requirement that certain derivatives

1 be centrally cleared and that's where the European
2 proposal is. I'm sure we'll hear more from
3 Patrick and Peter on that. And it's where we are.
4 So though we have different political systems and
5 different cultures, we have a remarkable consensus
6 here between the largest markets. Clearinghouses
7 have worked since the late 19th century. They're
8 not perfect but they really do lower risk through
9 clear skies and through difficult times like the
102008 crisis. The U.S., European and Japanese
11 proposals all recognize though the need for very
12 robust risk-management standards. We were
13 chatting a little bit about this socially at
14 lunch. I think that we certainly recognize this
15 here and I know those do around the globe.

17 proposals in Europe and in Japan recognize that
18 the dealers themselves have to have the necessary
19 capital to stand behind these trades, whether it
20 be through collateral requirements or margin
21 requirements, that markets will have lower risk
22 with that. All three proposals also have

1 requirements that transactions be reported to swap
2 data repositories. As we write the rules
3 regarding the clearing requirement, our staffs are
4 going to look closely to the European and Japanese
5 proposals to ensure consistency. We are also
6 looking to the CPSS-IOSCO standards and certainly
7 the work Kathy is doing not just there but on the
8 FSB which we'll hear about because the consistency
9 in bringing these rules together is so critical.
10 At today's meeting I at least looking forward to
11 hearing the views on the global financial
12 regulatory system. Specifically I'm looking
13 forward to hearing not only how we move forward in
14 the U.S. but how we move forward in the U.S. to be
15 consistent with what people are doing overseas,
16 and in terms of the swap data repositories what
17 data do we need to require. We're going to go
18 before the Europeans so that in the next 8 to 10
19 weeks we'll be putting rules along with the SEC on
20 swap data repositories and I think it's incumbent
21 upon us where we can to include data that the
22 European and the Japanese markets also need, and

1 as to clearinghouses as well to meet rigorous
2 risk-management standards though we hope to be
3 able to comply with all the IOSCO principles and
4 are there specific principles from Europe or from
5 Asia that you see that we need to do because at

6 some moment in the future, maybe it's 2 or 3 years
7 from now, we're going to want to make sure that

8 the clearinghouses that we regulate meet the

9 equivalency standard in Europe. Also we're going
10 to look to ultimately negotiate international
11 arrangements. The statute does give this
12 Commission and the SEC authority to negotiate
13 international arrangements for information sharing
14 and we want to make sure that that can be done in

15 a way that regardless where a data repository is 16 that information can be shared amongst regulators.

I know that Commissioner Sommers also
18 put on this agenda to talk about foreign boards of
19 trade and that's a very important matter. I think
20 that we have $I$ can't recall 15 or 20 foreign
21 boards of trade that currently have no action
22 regimes and as we move forward with rule writing

1 in that area it would be very helpful to hear
2 people's thoughts on that. Again I thank you and
3 I thank everybody for being here.
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COMMISSIONER SOMMERS: Commissioner
5 Dunn?

7 world we live in today is smaller and more
8 interconnected than at any time in our history.
9 Financial events taking place in the United States 10 are like skipping stones across oceans sending 11 ripples through markets in Europe and Asia. The 12 United States cannot stand alone in an effort to 13 bring transparency to the over-the-counter markets 14 and in crafting best practices for risk management 15 in the financial industry. If we are to make 16 financial reform meaningful and effective, we must 17 tackle these issues hand in hand with our sister 18 regulators in the world. Only together can we 19 accomplish the ultimate goal of creating a secure, 20 stable and productive financial system. I would 21 like to thank Chairwoman Sommers and her staff for 22 all the work in this area. The panelists she has

1 assembled here from throughout the financial world
2 to discuss the new OTC and clearing paradigms is
3 impressive and I look forward to hearing the
4 thoughts of our distinguished speakers.
As the world reacts to the recent
6 financial crises that threatened everyone's
7 economic stability, it has become apparent that
8 prudential regulators from all countries need to
9 better communicate and harmonize their efforts.
10 Additionally I would like to welcome Kathleen
11 Casey to this meeting as the past Chairman of the
12 IOSCO Technical Committee in work on the FSB. Her
13 insights into today's topics will undoubtedly be 14 very, very valuable.

16 work done by our Office of International Affairs
17 under the leadership of Director Jacqueline Mesa.
18 Although understaffed, this office has done an
19 excellent job in representing the CFTC around the
20 world. Lastly, I would like to thank Chairman
21 Gensler for all of his efforts in advocating for
22 greater international regulatory oversight and

1 harmonization and I urge him to get to Japan soon.
As we begin to implement the Dodd-Frank
3 legislation $I$ would again stress the importance of
4 U.S. Regulatory agencies working in concert with
5 regulators around the world as opposed to acting
6 unilaterally. The world's bodies such as the
7 G-20, the FSB and IOSCO are already working on
8 financial reform and it is imperative that we
9 understand the directions they are heading. I am
10 hopeful at today's meeting that GMAC members will
11 be able to shed some light on actions taken
12 internationally and share their concerns and
13 recommendations with this Commission. My hope is
14 that regulatory cooperation between countries with
15 substantial assistance from market users will lead
16 us to developing a set of compatible financial
17 regulations used throughout the world. Only by
18 working together can financial regulators create
19 an adequate structure for the over-the-counter
20 markets that promote stability and transparency
21 while at the same time discourage any type of
22 regulatory arbitrage. Thank you all for your

1 participation today.

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3 Commissioner Dunn. Commissioner Chilton?

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COMMISSIONER CHILTON: Thanks. Thank
5 you all for being here this afternoon. I could

6 echo what both Chairman Gensler and all of my
7 colleagues have said so far, but I'll put it in a
8 little bit different way and then $I$ have something 9 that's different.

This watch that $I$ have is one of my
11 favorite watches. It's an Omega that is similar 12 to that that Neil Armstrong wore on the moon and 13 there's a picture from the moon. Neil Armstrong 14 is the one who had the camera on the front of his 15 space suit so you can see Buzz Aldren with this 16 watch. Dave Stawick who is our secretariat here 17 is our expert on space and he has one of them too. 18 Those pictures that Armstrong took of the Earth 19 from up in space made it look so small, you could 20 see Europe and North America and you could see 21 Africa and Asia, and even though we have folks 22 here who have come from London, Anthony and maybe

1 Jeff, and from Asia, our friends from Japan, in
2 the trading world it is really microseconds away.
3 It's a small world as they say and that's why what
4 we're doing here is so important. It's nice that

5 we've moved forward on our law and others have

6 moved forward, but as the flash crash report
7 taught us last week, these markets are really
8 interrelated. They're interrelated domestically
9 in the U.S., but had that crash happened earlier
10 in the day when the European markets were open it
11 could have rocked the global financial world so
12 that we're inextricably linked. I agree with all
13 my colleagues that we need to work better to go
14 forward on parallel not necessarily identically,
15 but parallel policy objectives at least. What we
16 don't want to have happen is have regulatory
17 arbitrage. That is a race to the regulatory
18 bottom where traders go to the least- transparent
19 and the last-regulated places. I don't think that
20 would be good for anyone.
The other thing that $I$ wanted to mention
22 is that we've reached a milestone in the U.S. this

1 week that was the end to the Troubled Assets
2 Relief Program as we know it where nobody could
3 come in and get bank bailout funds anymore. It's
4 still not paid off yet, but we can't make them
5 anymore. It comes to us and our brethren at the
6 SEC to ensure that whatever we do under the new
7 law doesn't have a new systemic risk and doesn't
8 have the possibility for a new bailout. I'm
9 specifically concerned about what we do with
10 clearinghouses, that we need to ensure that
11 they're safe, sound and secure and that they
12 aren't a place where taxpayers could ultimately
13 have to bail out these things. Quite frankly,
14 even though we have the wherewithal to provide the
15 regulatory constructs to set up safe, sound and 16 secure clearinghouses, we may not have the money.

17 A lot of us talked about this in the last several
18 days about how imperative it is for us to have the
19 money not just to ensure that we're meeting the 20 intent of Congress with regard to the Wall Street

21 Reform Act, but that we're protecting taxpayers
22 with regard to ensuring we don't set up new

1 systemic risk in the form of clearinghouses.

4 to travel 20 hours, but we appreciate the fact

5 that you're with us. Thank you.

16 have obviously stated the importance of working
17 internationally and cooperatively to implement the 18 detailed reforms passed by Japan and proposed by 19 Europe as well as the reforms that have been 20 implemented here and I look forward to continued 21 dialogue to make sure that our regulations are 22 COMMISSIONER SOMMERS: Thank you, Commissioner Chilton. Commissioner O'Malia?

COMMISSIONER O'MALIA: Thank you to all our participants, guests from Europe and Japan. Mister Chairman, if it's any consolation I did go to Japan but $I$ made you pay for it so that you were well represented.

CHAIRMAN GENSLER: Thank you, Commissioner O'Malia.

COMMISSIONER O'MALIA: My colleagues harmonized to ensure that we're able to mitigate

1 systemic risk, increase transparency through trade
2 reporting and continue to provide cost-effective
3 solutions for the management of risk.

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5 reiterate my strong support that I'm glad you're

6 having this hearing and compliment our CFTC staff

7 for their participation, Jackie, your staff for

8 keeping us well informed on international matters

9 and I look forward to the presentations today.

11 was created over 12 years ago to provide a forum

12 for the Commission so that we could hear from market participants regarding the globalization of futures markets and to discuss regulatory and competitive issues. At that time screen-based 16 trading was just in its infancy and although so 17 much has changed over the past decade, it's always 18 been important for this Commission to participate 19 in international organizations and to coordinate 20 with our colleagues around the globe regarding 21 futures regulation.

1 very successful and now it's time for us to build
2 upon those relationships and to participate in
3 global consultations on regulations for the OTC
4 derivatives markets. We'd like to create a

5 transparent and sound regulatory environment
6 around the world. The products are different and
7 they may not fit into the regulatory models that
8 we're all very familiar with and that we're

9 operating under now, but many of the issues that

10 have been identified such as clearing,
11 standardization, trade repositories, data
12 collection, all require close coordination between
13 regulatory agencies to determine the appropriate
14 policy response. That's why I believe it's so
15 important that we have both the European
16 Commission and the Japanese FSA as well as the SEC
17 here today with us to discuss these important 18 issues.

20 who is the head of Financial Markets

21 Infrastructure Unit at the European Commission for
22 him to give a presentation on the legislative

1 proposal that was introduced I think September 15
2 formally. Patrick?

4 to the Chair of the GMAC, Commissioner Sommers and
5 the other Commissioners of the CFTC for this
6 invitation. I don't have an expensive watch like 7 Commissioner Chilton.

9 it was expensive, that it was unique.

COMMISSIONER CHILTON: I went to Japan 13 also.

MR. PEARSON: I'm encouraged by your
15 words and your inspiration and Commissioner Dunn 16 as well. And without an expensive watch and 17 coming from the Old World, all I have to carry 18 with me is words and so I'll inject some of my 19 comments with the words that I bring with me and 20 I'll try and give you some inspiration from 21 Shakespeare as we go along so that you know what I 22 was doing for 8 hours in the airplane yesterday,

1 it was not reading Dodd-Frank, it was brushing up 2 my Shakespeare.

4 "Julius Caesar" when he said, "Friends, Romans,
5 countrymen, lend me your ears." I think that is
6 quite appropriate today because what we're
7 discussing today is not a small matter that is
8 restricted to one or two of our jurisdictions,
9 it's something that actually I believe is of
10 importance to everybody around the table,
11 everybody in this room and many other people
12 beyond this room; the regulation, regulatory
13 responses to some of the mishaps and misfortunes 14 we encountered in mid-2007.

The word regulation is quite appropriate
16 because in July as you said the U.S. Congress
17 passed Dodd-Frank, 2 weeks ago the European
18 Commission released its regulatory proposal on OTC
19 derivatives on swaps, and these regulations. You 20 call yours an act, we call ours a regulation, but 21 these are legislative statutes because nothing can 22 come of nothing and that was "Lear" by the way.

1 We need a regulatory response because these are
2 issues that require public authority and public
3 leadership and self- regulation in this area we
4 believe in Europe, we believe and also the G-20 is
5 quite clear about, will not deliver what we're
6 looking for.
In our proposal 2 weeks ago we
8 identified three important priorities, regulate
9 the dealers, require standardized derivatives to
10 be cleared by regulated clearinghouses and
11 thirdly, require all trades to be reported to
12 registered trade repositories. You will say there
13 is something missing and that's true because our
14 proposal is part of a triptych of measures, three
15 measures, not one. There will be two other
16 regulators measures in Europe. The first is to
17 regulate trading and require standardized swaps to
18 be traded on trading venues. We're working on
19 that. There will be consultation, impact
20 assessment in the next 3 months and the
21 legislative proposal beginning next year and the
22 legislative proposal will be called MIFID review.

1 We don't have sexy acronyms but people really
2 should understand the importance of the MIFID
3 review beginning next year. That is where we will
4 regulate the trading, that is where we will
5 regulate position limits and a host of other
6 measures.

8 capital, that is, require the banks to meet high
9 minimum capital requirements for noncleared
10 trades. This is part of the revision of the Basel
11 Agreement, Basel III, and that third proposal will
12 be put on the table at the end of this year.
13 Unlike Dodd-Frank, there will be three regulatory
14 measures in Europe so that there is method to this
15 madness, and the connoisseurs that was Polonius
16 from "Hamlet." There is method to this madness
17 and it is quite important because there is some
18 misunderstanding. There are those who say Europe
19 is not moving in tandem with the United States,
20 there are things missing from our regulatory
21 approach. That is wrong. We're doing things
22 different for different reasons but the idea is to

1 end up in the same space.
Before I make some preliminary remarks
3 comparing Europe to the USA on swap regulation,
4 two initial comments. The first is past is
5 present, the famous Shakespeare quote and quite
6 important because we're all at the global level
7 seeking solutions to the same problems because we
8 suffered the same consequences as colleagues in
9 the United States, Japan and other parts of the 10 globe, the same regulatory failure, the same 11 regulatory myopia and the same economic downturn 12 so that we're in this together.

My second comment is Europe and the
14 United States of America have different regulatory
15 systems. We have different institutions. My
16 point is keep your eye on the ball. There are a
17 lot of people out there who are trying to make a
18 living out of finding differences between our
19 regulatory approaches and I agree with the
20 Commissioners is the one thing we cannot afford is
21 a different regulatory outcome. My advice to you
22 is focus on the product, not on the process --

1 focus on the product, not on the process and look
2 at what the words on paper say in the different
3 jurisdictions. Then come to a judgment whether
4 Europe and Japan and other parts of the globe and
5 the U.S. are different are not. Keep your eye on
6 the ball, look at the product and not the process.

10 that? Four points. First, the rules that we put
11 out 2 weeks ago cover the entire product suite for
12 clearing and reporting of swaps. The entire
13 product suite. That means interest rate swaps,
14 currency, commodity, equity and credit default
15 swaps. The whole suite with no exception. The
16 same as in Dodd-Frank. Secondly, we want robust
17 margining requirements, real margining
18 requirements fully collateralized at least in --
19 collection similar to Dodd-Frank. Thirdly, the
20 bilateral, the noncleared transactions. We're all
21 aware of the fact that there is only so much you
22 can standardize, there is only so much that can be

1 cleared. For the uncleared transactions, we will
2 require margin or capital, mark to market daily,
3 robust risk-management arrangements, again
4 operational risk and credit risk, electronic
5 confirmation, portfolio reconciliation obviously
6 -- resolution, and this is where it's interesting
7 to look what Dodd-Frank says because the only
8 difference we've been able to identify is that
9 where we say we want margin or collateral,
10 Dodd-Frank says margin and collateral.
11 Interesting. But that's as far as the difference 12 goes. Section 731 for the connoisseurs of 13 Dodd-Frank.

Segregation. Both Europe and the U.S.
15 require segregation. In Europe you must have 16 segregation. In the U.S. you may have segregation

17 but held as an independent custodian so that
18 they're similar approaches. And my fourth point
19 on regulating the dealers is address conflicts of 20 interest. Absolutely critical if you look at the 21 European regulation. You have six whole

22 provisions in that text on conflicts of interest.

1 We focus on governance, we focus on ownership. We
2 want shareholders and clearing members with a
3 significant interest to have regulatory approval.
4 Intrusive. That means any major shareholder that
5 wishes to acquire more than 10 percent or 20 or 30

6 percent in the $C P P$ must have regulatory approval

7 subject to very clear conditions. Are there

8 conflicts of interest? Is the ownership conducive

9 and propitious to the safety of the system? And
10 the regulators will have the power to not approve
11 ownership if it impinges on sound and prudent
12 management. We also want all of our
13 clearinghouses to have very clear and public and

14 transparent written arrangements to identify
15 potential conflicts of interest. Again here,
16 very, very similar to Dodd-Frank. There's one
17 issue that is not similar and that is the

18 proposition that the regulatory authorities in the 19 U.S. may ownership caps and limits. We don't have 20 that, but if that's the only difference $I$ ask you 21 how big a difference is that?

1 mandatory central clearing. What are we going to
2 do in Europe? Require central clearing of all
3 eligible contracts. Dodd- Frank does the same.
4 It just calls it clearable contracts. Why didn't
5 we use the word clearable? Because we were told
6 by the Brits that it's not an English word, that
7 it doesn't exist. I'll reserve my judgment, but
8 we were told the word is eligible. If that's the
9 biggest difference -- in Europe the regulation
10 applies to all eligible contracts of specific
11 counterparties. Very simple. And that is quite
12 important though. If you look at the first
13 provision in the European law, it's point of
14 departure is to regulate the entities, the
15 counterparties. It says that every single bank, 16 savings bank, cooperative bank, mutual, investment

17 bank, life insurance company, long life insurance 18 company, pension fund, hedge fund, every regulated

19 financial entity in Europe will be subject to the
20 clearing requirement. Juxtapose this to
21 Dodd-Frank. It doesn't use the regulatory
22 approach at the beginning, it focuses on the swap

1 contract. Is that a big difference? No. It's a
2 different regulatory point of departure, but where
3 we end up is in exactly the same space. So why

4 didn't we use the U.S. approach? Very simple.
5 Because in our discussions with the U.S. Treasury
6 and the Congress it became very clear to us that

7 the U.S. regulators had to follow that approach

8 based on the swap contract for the reason that

9 they had a lot of difficulty in using the point of

10 departure of the regulated entity because the
11 legislation simply wasn't in place at that time.
12 In Europe it's much easier to focus on the
13 departure of the regulated entity because we have
14 all of that legislation in place and it's very
15 easy to build on that building block.
Dodd-Frank allows commercial end users

17 to opt out of clearing. Fine. We only require
18 clearing for commercial end users if positions
19 exceed a threshold. A different point of
20 departure but we end up in the same space. For a
21 number of reasons first through the back door of
22 the commercial entities can be required to clear

1 if they're considered to be major swap
2 participants. In Europe, commercial entities can
3 be required to clear if they meet a certain

4 threshold. The whole idea is that the European

5 threshold and the definition of major swap
6 participant in the end converge so that you have a

7 different way of achieving exactly the same

8 objective. And Europe and the USA are analogous

9 as well if you look at the European legislation

10 and if you look at Dodd-Frank by excluding

11 corporate exposures that are directly linked to 12 their commercial activity. Exactly the same 13 approach in two jurisdictions.

A final point. The process and the
15 framework for determining which contracts must be 16 cleared, clearable or eligible, are remarkably 17 similar in both regulatory approaches. CCPs can 18 submit for regulatory review the contracts they 19 seek to clear, the approach in Europe and the same 20 approach here in the U.S. And regulators are 21 authorized to identify additional contracts to 22 mandate for clearing even if they're not already

1 cleared by a CCP clearinghouse. The same in
2 Europe, same in the U.S. Different words. The
3 U.S. legislation is more lengthy and laborious and
4 has several sub-sentences which reek of Teutonic
5 drafting in Germany to us in Europe, but they all
6 say the same thing in the end. And the criteria
7 the regulators have to take into consideration in
8 determining clearing eligible and clearable are
9 remarkably similar. Look at the texts. The same 10 criteria with one difference. Dodd-Frank adds an 11 additional criteria or two. First, there has to 12 be an effect on competition. We don't have that 13 criteria in Europe. Why not? Because we don't 14 need it because we have an autonomous competition 15 power under the treaty for the Commission to 16 intervene in cases of negative effects on

17 competition. The second difference, the only
18 difference we could find when plowing through
19 Chapters 7 and 8 of Dodd-Frank was the existence 20 of significant outstanding exposures. That's the 21 only difference in comparing the clearable and the

22 clearing eligible approaches between Europe and

1 the U.S. Remarkably similar.

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3 is regulation of CCPs because if mandatory
4 clearing comes around, we will shift significant 5 amounts of swap contracts onto CCPs. We will not

6 be removing risk from the system, we will be
7 moving risk in the system. We will be moving risk
8 from the banks' books to the clearers'. That's
9 good. That's fine. That's what we want. That 10 brings safety to the system. We never again want 11 to be in a position where liquidity dries up 12 because financial institutions have no confidence 13 in each other. We move the risk off the books of 14 the banks into the CCPs. That raises one problem 15 and that is from our perspective in Europe these 16 clearinghouses must be able to withstand financial

17 Armageddon. They must be absolutely, safe
18 absolutely sound, the words of Commissioner
19 Chilton a moment ago. That is why if you look at 20 the CCP standards enumerated in the European 21 regulation, they're pretty detailed. They're in

22 fact one area of regulation where Europe is more

1 detailed than the U.S., far more detailed. We
2 will require minimum capital. We will define what
3 the capital is. We will define margin

4 requirements. We will require horizons. We will
5 require default -- we will require a mandatory
6 default fund and so forth and so forth and so

7 forth. In eurospeak we harmonize the regulatory

8 licensing requirements for CCPs to the very, very
9 highest standard possible.

But it remains to be seen if that

11 difference between the European legislation and

12 Dodd-Frank continues as colleagues in the SEC and
13 the CFTC work out this in rulemaking in the U.S.
14 Why is that important? I'll tell you why.
15 Although we have broadly similar rules for CCPs, 16 we need to have more convergence in this area

17 because of the slightly different approaches that 18 Dodd-Frank and the European Union apply to

19 regulating foreign-domiciled CCPs. There are two 20 points, because Dodd-Frank's registration

21 requirements apply to all CCPs regardless of the
22 location and the CFTC and the SEC can exempt a CCP

1 from registration if it's subject to comparable,
2 comprehensive supervision and regulation. So far
3 so good. In Europe we require CCPs established

4 outside of Europe to be recognized subject to
5 certain conditions including the determination
6 that the CCP is subject to equivalent standards.

7 So again you see remarkable convergence in how we
8 approach this. The United States uses the

9 laborious terminology comparable, comprehensive 10 supervision and regulation, and in Europe we have 11 one word, equivalent which means exactly the same. 12 So it's quite important that those details in

13 Dodd-Frank to ensure the safety and soundless of
14 CCPs are comparable and comprehensive and
15 equivalent to what we have in Europe.

17 segregation and portability. What we will
18 introduce in Europe are a couple of very important
19 things for CCPs, clearing members and obviously
20 for the clients. CCPs will have to segregate
21 their own assets from those of the clearing

22 members. Pretty simple. Pretty obvious. We want

1 CCPs to segregate the assets and positions between
2 the clearing members for pretty good reasons. We
3 want the clearing member itself to segregate its
4 assets and positions from those of its clients for

5 pretty good reasons. We've seen some bad things
6 happen over the past $2-1 / 2$ years. And we want
7 CCPs to give the option to clients for more
8 granular segregation, the option, disclosing the
9 risk, disclosing the costs, it's cheaper to have

10 an omnibus account, we know that, but we want the
11 clients to have the option for greater granularity
12 in the segregation. And portability. We will
13 want CCPs to be able to transfer assets and

14 positions between the clearing members. Many have
15 said this is pretty hairy because this touches on
16 bankruptcy rules and regulations and it's
17 difficult enough in the U.S. Where you have one
18 bankruptcy code. Come to where I live where I
19 have 27 bankruptcy codes. This is where you see
20 the phenomenal power of European regulation.
21 There is one sentence in Europe's regulation that
22 says we don't care. We say you will allow a CCP

1 to transfer assets and positions between the
2 clearing members regardless of whatever any
3 national bankruptcy law says so that the European
4 law overrides any contradictory requirement in
5 national law. Segregation and portability,
6 similar, not identical but very similar to the
7 approach considered in the U.S.

9 increased transparency. We've spoken about

10 clearing, we've spoken about the need to regulate
11 the dealers, the clearing mandate, the regulation
12 of CCPs. I want to talk about transparency and
13 trade repositories. Like Dodd-Frank, Europe will
14 require the reporting of trades into a trade
15 repository. No difference except the scope of the
16 reporting requirement differs slightly at this
17 point in time. Dodd-Frank requires all trades to
18 be reported to a trade repository. Europe exempts
19 those contracts, those trades between two
20 corporates. A trade between two corporate
21 entities is exempt from a reporting requirement.
22 That's quite interesting because the comprehensive

1 approach in Dodd-Frank where even a
2 corporate-corporate contact would need to be
3 reported to a trade repository is not followed in
4 Europe. Why is that? Two reasons. The first,
5 when we did our impact assessment and we spoke to
6 the corporates, it was very clear that most of the
7 contracts are two financials or between a
8 financial and a corporate. The financial
9 corporates, I think we're looking at 17.3 percent 10 of the contracts as of the end of last year, the 11 corporate-to-corporate contracts we found were 12 almost difficult to find if at all. They do exist 13 but they're absolutely minimal in their volume and 14 the impact assessment determined that the

15 cost-benefit analysis of requiring these
16 corporates to put a reporting framework in place 17 would be disproportionate so that they're exempt 18 at this point in time. Timeframe for reporting?

19 Anything as long as it's not longer than 24 hours 20 and that could be, $I$ don't know, 5, 10, 15 minutes 21 for block trades, up to 24 hours for more complex 22 trades.

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2 format, the content, these will be subject to what
3 we call implementing rules in Europe and that's
4 pretty important. These rules are very similar to
5 what the SEC and the CFTC put in place because
6 what use is it if European counterparties report
7 trades to a trade repository in a slightly

8 different format than those reported in the U.S.
9 Or in Japan? So that reporting format, the

10 reporting framework, must be absolutely similar

11 when convergence doesn't cover the term there.

12 They probably have to be as similar and identical
13 as possible with one objective, to allow the
14 regulators, to allow the market to have a
15 comprehensive overview of the risks and the
16 position in the system.
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18 pretty granular and detailed rules to regulate
19 them. We have rules on governance. We have rules 20 on systems. We have rules on senior management.

21 They've got to be fit and proper. We have rules
22 on access. We have rules on price disclosure. We

1 have rules on fee disclosure including discounts
2 including rebates. We have rules on safeguarding.
3 We have rules on recordkeeping for trade
4 repositories. We have rules on transparency. And
5 we have rules on data availability. And both
6 Dodd-Frank and Europe require trade repositories.

7 No difference. The only difference is that Europe
8 allows third-country trade repositories, and

9 there's one that $I$ can think of in the U.S. at

10 this point in time, to be active in Europe

11 provided it's recognized as being subject to again
12 equivalent regulation in its home country. So
13 we've got exemptive relief for trade repositories
14 coming into Europe and digging through Dodd-Frank
15 we found one other area where there is a slightly
16 different approach. There is no exemptive relief
17 for trade repositories in the U.S. so there's a 18 possibility of double-registration requirements 19 for at least four European trade repositories 20 wishing to do their services in the United States 21 of America.

1 important. European regulation proposes the
2 existence of an international agreement between
3 Europe and third countries for mutual access to
4 information and exchange of information in a trade
5 repository. Again there is method to that
6 madness. This harkens back to March of this year
7 where there was an unfortunate hiccup and some
8 unfortunate events where a number of European
9 regulators had some difficulty in accessing
10 information in a trade repository outside of
11 Europe. And the very, very, very clear comment
12 from our Congress and our ministers was this is
13 once but never ever again. So when you look at
14 this, what were the options we were faced with in
15 Europe? Require all trade repositories to locate
16 in Europe? It's a pretty simplistic approach.
17 But if you look at it, it doesn't really make a
18 lot of sense. That's why the option that we've
19 put in the proposition and the regulation is you
20 don't have to have a location requirement as long
21 as there is a guarantee, an international
22 arrangement, with third countries that there is a

1 guarantee that the regulators can access that
2 information in a trade repository even if it's
3 located outside of Europe. And I'm encouraged by
4 the comments from Chairman Gensler that he has the

5 locus to actually engage in this type of
6 arrangement which is very, very important. I'll

7 conclude. I have four comments to leave with you.

8 Europe and the U.S. are very, very similar in

9 scope, application and requirements. Are there

10 differences? Yes. Frankly, I wouldn't only be

11 surprised, I'd be pretty annoyed if there were no
12 differences because it means that we couldn't

13 implement half of Dodd-Frank in Europe, A, because

14 it's not proper English according to my native
15 English speakers, B, because it uses words we have 16 no idea what that mean but we will be enlightened

17 by the SEC and the CFTC as to what some of these
18 words mean like SEFs and MSPs and what-have-you.
19 But I'll tell you one thing. I not only read 20 Shakespeare yesterday on the flight coming over,

21 you got a pretty idea that $I$ was also plowing
22 through Dodd-Frank and I actually had to detect

1 the differences with a Maglight. I flew business
2 class and I have one of these strange lights that
3 come out of the seat and you have to really focus
4 it and it's a LED light on the text. I had a
5 great deal of difficulty finding the differences
6 between our piece of legislation in Europe and
7 Dodd-Frank. You really have to go through this
8 with a Maglight.

13 to come of the staffers and the congressmen there 14 was a lot of pace and speed in the final days of 15 the regulation in Congress, and I'm sure I know 16 I've been told some of the differences actually 17 were because of the need to get this text out and 18 agreed in the U.S. But a lot of these differences 19 can be considered and there is room and scope to 20 minimize these differences even further as our 21 work on implementing the rules continues on both 22 sides of the Atlantic.

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2 are not competing, convergence, not competition in
3 regulation, and we are looking closely at the SEC
4 and the CFTC rules as they develop to ensure there
5 is consistency, consistency between Europe and the
6 U.S. and wider, the G-20, the Financial Stability
7 Board, IOSCO, Commissioner Casey, important work
8 to do in the IOSCO framework on ensuring that
9 consistency not only occurs between Europe and the 10 U.S. but also on a wider frame in the G-20. We're 11 in this together. This is a global market and it 12 needs a global response.

14 I've seen these comments in the press and in the
15 public arena. There is no timing issue. Will
16 Europe be ahead of America, will America be
17 lagging behind the European Union? This is not a 18 race. This is a marathon and the marathons that $I$ 19 run with my lousy consideration we usually end up 20 finishing the finishing line at the same time, we 21 never have winners in my marathons. This is a

22 European regulation and for the lawyers in the

1 room there is a difference between a regulation
2 and a directive in Europe. If Europe had put
3 forward a directive, we would have had to give the

4 European member states 18 months to implement that
5 in national legislation. This is a regulation and
6 not a directive. If our Congress and our
7 ministers agree with this text, it becomes the law

8 of the land immediately. The regulation is the
9 law directly evocable by any stakeholder before

10 any national court in 27 countries in Europe or

11 before the Court of Justice of the European Union
12 in Luxembourg. Speed is not of the essence with a
13 regulation. Getting it right is.

15 Believe me. The CFTC, Commissioner Gensler, his 16 staff, the SEC, Commissioner Casey, I think the

17 thin threads of discreet mutual cooperation that 18 we started spinning a year ago are turning into a 19 wide banner of international regulatory

20 cooperation. It is no coincidence that there are 21 so few differences between Dodd-Frank and between 22 what Europe is coming up with, thus that wide

1 banner of international regulatory cooperation.
2 The CFTC, the staff, the SEC, have been
3 interoperating so much that $I$ can tell you that
4 the CFTC and the Commission offices by the staff
5 is actually called the Concrete Financial
6 Transatlantic Cooperation outfit, so you have a
7 new terminology there, Chairman Gensler.
My fourth and final point is I've heard
9 many regulators and stakeholders in the past 23
10 years that I've been regulating banks, insurance
11 companies and now market infrastructure. I've
12 heard many regulators and stakeholders talk about 13 regulatory cooperation and regulatory convergence.

14 This is the first time in 23 years I've actually
15 seen it happen and I'm proud to say that I think
16 if you look at the texts, if you look at the
17 approach that we've put on the table today, I
18 think it will actually deliver the benefits that
19 we're all looking for. Thank you.
COMMISSIONER SOMMERS: Thank you,
21 Patrick, so much for your overview and your
22 insights on that.

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2 from the Japanese FSA and Mr. Sumi who is the
3 Deputy Commissioner for International Affairs and
4 Competitiveness at the Japanese FSA for an
5 overview of their legislative proposals.
MR. SUMI: Thank you, Ms. Sommers,
7 ladies and gentlemen. Somebody said that computer
8 signals travel around the globe in split seconds
9 but the Boeing 777 isn't that fast. I got off an 10 airplane after a 13-hour flight 3 hours ago and 11 I'm still operating on Japan Standard Time which 12 is 3:00 a.m. in the morning. So please allow me 13 not to quote Shakespeare, and I confess I didn't 14 read Dodd- Frank on the plane either. I couldn't 15 resist watching "Die Hard IV."

17 the Pittsburgh Summit. That was last September 18 and after about 2 months' time of this Pittsburgh 19 Summit declaration, we submitted a draft bill to 20 the Parliament for the Financial Instrument and 21 Exchange Act amendment of 2010 which was submitted 22 to the Parliament sometime in March and passed in

1 May which was quite fast considering the Japanese
2 political situation. This was not partisan and
3 this was pretty much agreed upon in light of the
4 importance to do our part and to contribute to
5 global financial stability.
The Financial Instrument and Exchange
7 Act by the way is in a sense omnibus legislation.
8 It covers a broad range of financial activities,
9 the amendment of which takes place almost every 10 year so that we can't say that it's as shattering

11 bookmaking as Dodd-Frank. It's a more or less 12 annual housekeeping amendment, but nevertheless 13 the content of the amendment was not routine. 14 This 2010 amendment of the FIEA aimed at CCP 15 clearings and mandatory clearing at domestic CCPs 16 for derivatives transactions that are closely 17 related to Japanese bankruptcy procedures. And 18 related to this particular topic of today, we also 19 strengthened the group-wide regulation and 20 supervision of financial instruments or so-called 21 SIFIs given the fact that the SIFIs is a new

22 notion that encompasses not only the banks but

1 also the financial institutions regardless of
2 legal form.
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4 is pretty much similar elsewhere I believe, the
5 law is stipulated in sort of broad-brush language
6 and smaller more concrete details are usually
7 provided by what we call cabinet office

8 ordinances. Cabinet office ordinances sound

9 somewhat strange, but in essence it's FSA's rule

10 but before the FSA determines on that rule we

11 usually welcome public comments and try to
12 incorporate the public comments in the contents of 13 these cabinet office ordinances. Although we have 14 passed a law the content of which I'm going to 15 explain, much work still needs to be done in the 16 process of formulating these cabinet office 17 ordinances and during the process we would like to 18 listen to the industries as well as other 19 regulators' comments in order to be compatible 20 worldwide.

22 clearing, we have a system to designate the

1 particular types of derivatives transactions. In
2 essence we have a system of positive listing. I
3 understand that U.S. regulations or E.U.
4 regulations encompass the clearable or eligible,
5 whatever the correct English language should be,

6 but has a sort of exemption granted by the

7 authorities. In a sense it's a negative listing.

8 It takes up broad derivatives as a whole but

9 allows some exemptions, a sort of negative list,

10 but ours is a positive list. At this time of
11 course in designation we will consider the market

12 size and liquidity of that particular type of

13 derivatives transaction and the regulatory

14 approach is by other regulators. At this time the
15 plain vanilla type in denominated interest rate 16 swaps are sure to be included, but what else if 17 any will be included or not will be determined 18 like I said in light of market size and what the 19 regulators do in the rest of the world.

21 have one article which says certain types of OTC

22 derivatives have to be cleared at domestic CCPs.

1 Usually although those derivatives transactions
2 which are subject to mandatory $C C P$ clearing can be
3 cleared either by the domestic or foreign CCPs,
4 but for those derivatives whose clearing criteria
5 relates very closely to bankruptcy procedures
6 under Japanese law, these are regarded as
7 mandatory clearing at domestic CCPs. For example,
8 at present the ITRUX Japan Index CDS is considered
9 for inclusion. The rationale is that the
10 CPSS-IOSCO consultative report on OTC derivatives 11 on CCPs stipulates that, as I quoted here, "CCPs 12 should consider establishing an internal

13 determination committee that may determine the
14 credit events where no decision was taken by
15 market participants." This is one example of when
16 we consider regulation we take CPSS-IOSCO very
17 seriously, and in order to achieve the
18 internationally compatible regulation we monitor
19 very closely what's discussed, advised and
20 recommended by CPSS- IOSCO.
The second point is strengthening of the
22 infrastructure for central clearing. At this time

1 we do not have any minimum capital requirements
2 for the CCPs, but as Mr. Pearson mentioned, we do
3 need to avoid systemic risk or too-big-to-fail
4 kind of phenomena for the CCPs so that we would
5 like to ask the CCPs to have a solid financial
6 base thereby asking the minimum capital
7 requirements the exact amount of which will be
8 determined -- the law doesn't stipulate the
9 specific amount but, rather, the cabinet office
10 ordinance -- or similar subset rules to the law
11 determines the specific amount. Also in order to
12 avoid the issue of conflict of interest, we would
13 include the requirement for authorization for
14 those who hold more than 20 percent of the voting
15 rights of the CCPs.

17 CCPs will be allowed into the Japanese market. Of
18 course foreign CCPs are welcome to establish a
19 domestic Japanese subsidiary, but even without
20 doing so the CCPs can provide central clearing
21 services to Japanese financial institutions, A,
22 through a linked system where a foreign CCP sets

1 up a linkage with a Japanese domestic CCP and
2 provides service through that Japanese domestic
3 CCP; or, B, direct revision of their service in
4 which case we do request the CCPs to acquire a
5 Japanese license, but the rationale for issuing
6 the license is that as stipulated in the
7 PowerPoint. We do ask the foreign CCP to maintain
8 an adequate infrastructure to operate
9 appropriately and reliably during Japanese market
10 hours so that I think the only binding part of
11 this requirement is the underlined portion during
12 Japanese market hours. Also we do ask that the
13 foreign CCP is subject to proper supervision by
14 its home country regulator.
Page 5 pertains to the reporting and
16 storing of trade information data. We've made it
17 mandatory for financial institutions to store and 18 report trade information data for OTC derivatives 19 transactions. However, if financial institutions 20 use trade repositories, then the responsibility

21 will be transferred to the trade repositories and
22 the financial institutions will be relieved of

1 that responsibility. If financial institutions
2 use CCPs, again the reporting and storing
3 responsibilities will be transferred to the CCPs
4 and the financial institutions themselves will be

5 relieved of such responsibility.

7 law which passed May 18 of this year and the
8 implementation schedule is stipulated on page 6 .
9 The strengthening of the infrastructure of CCPs 10 including the minimum capital requirement and 11 allowing entry of foreign CCPs will take effect 12 within 1 year of promulgation of the law on May 18 13 of this year meaning May 18 of next year, 2011. 14 After that, the mandatory clearing and storing and 15 reporting requirement will take effect within 2 16 years and 6 months, meaning November 18, 2012, 17 which of course takes into account the Pittsburgh 18 Summit's mandate of starting mandatory clearing by 19 the end of 2012. This is how we have set up our 20 law in the 2010 amendment of the Financial

21 Instrument and Exchange Act. Again, although the
22 law is enacted, we still have work to do in order

1 to be implemented meaning that we do need to
2 stipulate the cabinet office ordinances. But
3 again, as we do that, we will be putting it out

4 for public comment and in doing so we will try to
5 incorporate the other regulators' actions or

6 CPSS-IOSCO's recommendations to make it compatible

7 with the other major jurisdictions and industries'

8 comments will be also welcome at the public

9 comment stage. Thank you very much.

COMMISSIONER SOMMERS: Thank you so

11 much, Mr. Sumi, for being here and for that
12 overview. I'd now like to open it up to our

13 committee members or my colleagues if you have any
14 questions for either Mr. Pearson or Mr. Sumi on
15 either the European Commission or Japanese
16 legislative proposals. Jiro?

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18 Thank you for enlightening us more on the
19 international legislation coming down.
If we understand that the product may be
21 the same at the end of the road, I still think it
22 boils down to the very important details which in

1 derivatives details are everything. One clear
2 difference may be how those on both sides of the
3 Atlantic and across the Pacific define commercial

4 risk. The hedging of commercial risk is used to
5 net down positions by nonfinancial counterparties
6 or for large positions, I think that's a big open
7 question on how that would that would be objective

8 viewed. Are there any comments on the approach to

9 looking at how a counterparty may be hedging
10 commercial risk?

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MR. SUMI: The way the law is adopted at this moment, as long as the financial institution is a party to that derivatives transaction, then even though the other party is nonfinancial, this contract at this stage we consider it included in

16 this mandatory CCP clearing. However, if you were
17 to ask the nonfinancial institutions to be fully
18 mandated to use the CCPs, then these corporations

19 may be subject to too heavy a burden of
20 maintaining the CCPs. Therefore, depending on
21 other jurisdictions' actions and other IOSCO
22 arguments, we may consider exempting these

1 nonfinancial corporations doing the transactions
2 for hedging purposes from this mandatory
3 requirement. So at this juncture we have the
4 means to exempt them and we have not decided
5 whether we are going to or we are not going to.

10 off with a clean undershirt and it's always white.
11 Have you noticed that halfway through the film as 12 if by miracle it always turns green and black and 13 dirty? But in the end all actually works out 14 well, there's always a happy end, it's a Hollywood 15 film, and that brings to me to the question of how 16 is it possible that Bruce Willis's shirt that's so 17 clean at the beginning gets dirty in the end or 18 halfway through and in the end it all works out 19 well? You watched the film yesterday and I've 20 seen all of them many times. I love Bruce Willis 21 to bits.

1 because Shakespeare of course wrote "All's Well
2 That Ends Well." We studied this at school, at
3 least I did and you should have. You know about
4 "All's Well That Ends Well," it's all about the
5 bed trick. Do you know the bed trick? I'll
6 enlighten you a bit. In "All's Well That Ends
7 Well" halfway through the story, the king allows
8 Helena to marry the man of her choice and he
9 chooses Bertram who's an old heart throb of hers.
10 Bertram refuses and he says, "I will only marry
11 you, Helena, if you meet two conditions. You get
12 a wedding ring on my finger and you show me,"
13 Bertram, "a child that I have fathered." So
14 Helena embarks on her plot to pave the way to true
15 happiness by using what's become to be known as 16 the bed trick which is why you should really read 17 this. This is really interesting.

Why am I making this point apart from
19 bringing some culture to this side of the
20 Atlantic? It's because we have a bed trick. We
21 have a bed trick as well in Europe, you have a bed
22 trick over here as well, because what is the point

1 in calculating the position, the exposure of the
2 corporates? We need to strip out all of those
3 positions that are directly linked to the
4 underlying corporate activity. It makes absolute
5 sense. We ran our impact assessments and it's the
6 only sensible way forward. The problem is how to
7 determine when a position is directly linked to a
8 corporate activity of the firm in question and
9 there's a huge potential obviously for arbitrage
10 because any company will say I've taken this swaps
11 position and I need it to cover my interest rate 12 exposure or my currency exposure so it's 13 underlying my international business.

Not true. The bed trick is that we had
15 two options. The first was let's use the
16 international accounting standards so that we
17 looked at the European accounting standards
18 hedging. No way, Jose. This was all over the
19 place and it really didn't help us. So we looked
20 to U.S. GAAP and what have you and we were even
21 more shocked. That really didn't help us one bit.
22 So we couldn't have a hedging requirement. You

1 can't refer to hedging in the accounting sense to
2 determine if the position is directly linked to
3 the corporate activity. So we had a cunning plan
4 and that's our bed trick, and the bed trick is we
5 will have to define this in further regulatory
6 guidance? SEC and the CFTC on this side of the Atlantic, 11 because believe me, people, the corporates I'm 12 speaking to, they're the same corporates you know 13 over here in the United States of America, 14 Caterpillar, John Deere, Rolls Royce, Lufthansa, 15 they're all international companies and if the SEC 16 and if the CFTC come up with a different

17 definition from us in Europe, it's very, very
18 simple to see where this business will shift to 19 and how the loopholes in the regulation will come 20 around.

There you have it. That's how Bruce
22 Willis in "Die Hard IV" and Shakespeare come

1 together, all's well that ends well.
CHAIRMAN GENSLER: I was going to say I
3 don't know from Helena or Bertram or anything like
4 that, but we working very closely with the
5 Europeans and I'll try to learn my Shakespeare,

6 Patrick.
flights, being of Irish descent, I tend to read Joyce. I have a little darker outcome. Yesterday I wasn't watching "Die Hard," I had one eye on the Ryder Cup and that wasn't such a good outcome for us as well. I commend the E.C. on their win.

Mr. Sumi, in your presentation there's 14 an asterisk there in which you say that the 15 licensed foreign CCP will be subject to inspection 16 and business improvement by the Japanese FSA as 17 well. This has been a great rub for us as we work 18 internationally and that is adhering to the 19 national sovereignty to those home regulators. I 20 wonder how do you go about that inspection in

21 business improvement orders. Is that directly
22 with the CCP or are you looking at the home

1 regulator to make those inputs for you? Then I
2 would ask the same thing of Mr. Pearson.
MR. SUMI: If I may answer your question

4 first, we have a similar situation where say a
5 bank sets up a branch in Tokyo and that branch is 6 subject to our inspection and if there is a need

7 we may issue a business improvement order as well.

8 Of course in doing so, this is a new one so I am

9 talking about the existing example of banks and

10 say Citibank establishes a branch in Tokyo and
11 then it's subject to both U.S. and Japanese
12 regulations, of course when dealing with these
13 institutions we have contact with the home country

14 regulator and also for many of the things we can
15 finish business just talking with the home country
16 regulator and for some other things this is in a
17 sense as long as we license somebody, we do need
18 to retain the in a sense right to do on-site
19 inspections and to order something. But in actual
20 working, of course we do consult closely with the
21 home country regulator.
COMMISSIONER DUNN: In your case then

1 that foreign $C C P$ is required to allow you to come
2 in and do the inspection and give that information
3 directly to the FSA?
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5 correct information reported to us so that if we

6 think that information is necessary, we are going
7 to ask that foreign CCP to provide us with that

8 information.

15 and trouble wouldn't work?

MR. PEARSON: There's probably in James
17 Joyce. Is there equivalence and what is the
18 consequence? That's how we would look at this in
19 Europe. Is there equivalence? What we will do is 20 have a comparison. The comparison will be carried 21 out jointly, in the U.S. case between the European 22 regulators and the U.S. regulators. We will

1 consult, we would compare regulation and
2 regulatory practices and there will be a ruling
3 from the European Commission that there is

4 equivalence or not, but in our case we work on the
5 presumption there's equivalence.

The question is then what is the

7 consequence? The consequence from our perspective

8 is no inspections, but the consequence is what we

9 call mutual recognition so that we recognize the 10 quality of the way in which regulation is carried 11 out in a third country, in this case in the United 12 States of America. The only thing we would 13 require is a bilateral MOU of understanding 14 between the European regulators and the Japanese 15 regulators of the U.S. Regulators on mutual 16 exchange of information but not the inspection 17 part.

21 Pearson, in your statement you'd laid out the
22 issue of segregation and providing for both an

1 omnibus account and an individual account. I want
2 to get a sense from you regarding would you leave
3 that up to the $F C M$, the clearinghouse, to set

4 those rules and get a little bit of input from our
5 panel as to what they think how that might be

6 implemented and if that's feasible? And Mr. Sumi,
7 if you have any thoughts on this, I'd appreciate

8 those as well.

10 Commissioner. The way we've put this out is very 11 simple. As to segregation, we would require a 12 clearinghouse or CCP to have the option of omnibus 13 segregation. We're not requiring them to apply 14 one or the other. It's just the option so there 15 is a choice for the clients. And in implementing 16 this option we would require the clearinghouse to 17 give full transparency as to the extra risks you 18 would run or not run when as a client you opt for 19 one of the other permutations, and obviously the 20 costs because the client will in almost all cases 21 find it cheaper to go for an omnibus rather than 22 segregation. But the choice is up to the client.

1 We can't regulate that choice into being. We can
2 only regulate the need for there to be an option,
3 so that's how we would approach it.

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MR. SUMI: If I may, we will probably
5 not the specific rules regarding that, but since
6 CPSS-IOSCO has certain rules for this segregation
7 and portability, we do ask the CCPs to establish

8 their own business rules in which if $I$ find

9 something incompatible with CPSS-IOSCO we would

10 ask them to correct that and to make it comply
11 with CPSS- IOSCO. So is probably the way we'll
12 work. Does that answer your question?
COMMISSIONER O'MALIA: It does. Thank

14 you. I'd be interested in any of the panelists or
15 committee members as to their thoughts they have 16 on the European proposal.

19 it which is that interest rate swap client -20 model allows for either and we see no demand at

21 all for the omnibus and it is for the issue of
22 portability, it's very, very hard to guarantee

1 portability with omnibus, in fact it's impossible
2 unless you port the entire defaulting member's
3 portfolio in one block to a single -- so we feel
4 strongly as an organization that individual
5 segregation for OTC derivatives is the way to go. listed derivatives. I think the pricing sensitivity on clearing is very different in the listed space and particularly for some market participants whether they're in the high frequency 15 or at least they were heavy users of the market, 16 the costs of the transaction is an extremely

17 important part of their ability to participate in
18 the market. I think, A, I strongly endorse the
19 European approach to being a matter of choice, and 20 secondly, I would say that $I$ think it is important

21 that we maintain a recognition that there is a
22 difference in client preference in listed and

1 over-the-counter derivatives.

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3 question for Roger, Jeff and Tom and I think maybe
4 there are others here representing clearinghouses.
5 When you think about the clearing rules that may
6 emerge in Europe which you've already seen in
7 Dodd-Frank but we're embarking on rule- writing,

8 what is your perspective? You manage
9 multinational platforms all of which at some point

10 will be regulated here in the U.S. by the SEC and
11 CFTC, Roger is here so that it will be just the 12 CFTC, but nonetheless you'll be regulated here in 13 the U.S. and you may well be regulated in Europe 14 and Japan. It would be helpful to gain your 15 perspectives on clearinghouse rules.

17 entities that you mentioned, while we do compete, 18 we compete with very high standards and have 19 generally adopted the IOSCO standards. Certainly 20 in the case of ICE we welcome having some

21 harmonized high standards for work management
22 because we don't want to compete on that level and

1 I think as I've mentioned the companies that are
2 present today have already internally adopted
3 those and we would welcome regulators harmonizing
4 that.
Secondly, we have long seen between the
6 U.S. and Europe, the FSA and the CFTC, cooperation
7 in the case of our business so that there is very

8 little difference in the current offerings that we
9 have for both OTC and listed futures between the

10 U.S. and Europe in terms of membership
11 requirements and risk-management requirements and 12 such. The only differences that exist are there 13 because of the different bankruptcy regimes, but 14 we see you helping to harmonize those even though 15 there will continue to be different bankruptcy 16 regimes. I think we view the efforts between the 17 agencies that are here as being quite positive.

19 you envision having within an asset class one 20 clearinghouse or one in Europe, one in here, one 21 in France or one in London? That's a tough 22 question.

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2 if we could live in a world where a CCP could be
3 located anywhere and recognized globally. It's
4 going to take a while to get there. In the case
5 of credit default swaps which is a very
6 complicated product and to a certain degree has a
7 prerogative view given what we've come through in
8 2007, we thought it was best to have independent
9 clearinghouses that were locally regulated.

17 listed products, it does feel like that can work 18 well. I think we're at the first inning of the 19 OTC market. I suspect that we'll potentially 20 evolve toward the listed model but it'll take a 21 while to get there.

MR. SPRECHER: I think it would be nice In the case of listed products, it seems rational to have a single-domicile clearinghouse that has a global standard. That seems more acceptable. For example, our U.K. futures clearinghouse has a DCO status here in the U.S. and with all the work that's been done between the FSA and the CFTC with respect to at least ICE's

MR. LIDDELL: I think the only

1 difference is the requirement under Dodd-Frank for
2 the safety regime for U.S. Clients which on the
3 one hand is a fairly difference, on the other
4 hand, we'd already decided for our own reasons

5 that that was the model that we wanted to adopt in
6 any case so it actually isn't an issue for us.
segregation regime or FCM?

MR. LIDDELL: The FCM. And we
absolutely see the biggest benefit being having a single clearinghouse globally rather than different ones regionally. I think the credit derivatives product is an exception to that and I think that was rightly identified by the JFSA because of local bankruptcy issues and also sovereignty issues and sovereign credit default 17 swaps and things like that. I think having 18 regional clearinghouses for credit products has 19 some logic to it, but for the rest $I$ think it 20 would be a very, very significant backward step if 21 we went down that path.

1 regime could become a little bit of a precedent.
2 For example, there is not the equivalent in the
3 Japanese market that I'm aware of, but $I$ think if

4 we are going to be successful at working with
5 colleagues in Japan to achieve our ambitions, it's

6 quite likely that we would have some regime that
7 would result in domestic end-user clients having

8 their collateral held onshore under local

9 agreements subject to local bankruptcy codes so

10 that $I$ think adopting a global model for regional

11 differences is the right way to go.
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13 NYSE Euronext. We're in a bit of a unique
14 position because of course we are as we speak
15 today simultaneously constructing three new
16 clearinghouses in three different regulatory
17 jurisdictions around the world, one here in the
18 U.S., New York Portfolio Clearing, we're also
19 building a new clearinghouse in London and
20 simultaneously a clearinghouse in Paris so that
21 for us harmonization of the rules and protocols
22 between the regulatory jurisdiction not only makes

1 our lives easier in terms of how we construct
2 these new clearinghouses, but we believe a
3 competitive advantage of our global exchange group
4 will be ultimately to tie these together so that
5 bankruptcy issues that Roger raises are certainly
6 real and our initial plans are to have products
7 siloed within an individual clearinghouse but to

8 the degree that we're able to evolve through these

9 bankruptcy issues and draw them together, for us

10 it's a competitive advantage.

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13 quick one. I'm sorry for slowing us down.

16 Pearson, I have one quick one for you, and maybe
17 there is a distinction within a difference, but
18 thought as you were talking about clearing that
19 there might be a little bit more texture there but
20 maybe I'm wrong. Were you suggesting that we
21 should perhaps have higher standards as we
22 implement our regulations that would go even

1 further than Dodd-Frank? Like others, we can put
2 more meat on the bones of the laws, we have some
3 discretion and the law restricts us in some

4 regards, but were you suggesting that maybe we
5 would want to go a little bit further? so that we're interested to see how that pans out.

COMMISSIONER CHILTON: Thank you.
COMMISSIONER SOMMERS: Now we're going
14 to brief updates on international organizations
15 that are taking certain issues in their agenda
16 items coordinating global regulatory issues, and
17 I'm going to turn first to Commissioner Casey for
18 an update on last week's FSB meeting in Paris.
COMMISSIONER CASEY: Thank you very
20 much, Commissioner Sommers and, again, thank you
21 for allowing me to join you today.

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As has been noted by yourself and

1 colleagues here in the Commission at the CFTC and
2 Our colleagues from the European Commission and
3 Japan, consistency with respect to international
4 standards in this area is going to be critical. I
5 would tell you that a tremendous amount of effort
6 is underway, not least of which has already been
7 articulated here. One of the other key places
8 where this is being coordinated at the FSB level.
9 As you all are very well aware, the FSB has been
10 asked to play a central role in coordinating the
11 implementation of international standards across jurisdictions and so they play a key role in this 13 area as well.

The focus of the Paris meeting was to
15 talk about and to take stock in a lot of the
16 progress that's being made on the reform agenda,
17 in particular with respect to the G-20 commitment
18 to central clearing, trading and trade reporting.
19 At the initiative of the FSB back in April 2010,
20 they established a high-level working group which
21 was intended to help facilitate this consistency.
22 Much of the meeting in Paris was focused on

1 hearing and reviewing some of the draft
2 recommendations that the working group has put
3 forward and we would anticipate that that paper
4 would be approved and considered by the leaders in
5 November. I think that this paper in particular
6 is going to be really quite helpful in providing a
7 framework for consistency across jurisdictions.
8 Again, I've been really pleased at the engagement
9 that you have. I know Patrick Pearson is one of
10 the primary authors of the report, we're engaged
11 with our CFTC colleagues and other jurisdictions 12 such as Japan as well. I think that this will be 13 a great contribution to helping to facilitate some 14 of the issues that are being discussed here today. I would also note some of the other

16 items that the FSB discussed on the reform agenda 17 were obviously welcoming the Basel work, talking 18 about seeking consistency in helping to reduce 19 regulatory reliance on credit rating agencies to 20 address some of the cliff effects that we saw with 21 respect to ratings being embedded in statutes and 22 regulatory rules. That was the central focus of

1 the FSB meeting in Paris, and SIFIs as well also
2 dealing with too big to fail and trying to come up
3 with principles for addressing systemically

4 important financial institutions again in an
5 internationally consistent manner. I would

6 anticipate again that the work that we'll see

7 coming out of the $F$ SB working group will be an
8 important contribution to ensuring consistency in

9 this area.

COMMISSIONER SOMMERS: Thank you, Kathy.
11 I'm now going to turn to Jackie Mesa who's our 12 Director of our Office of International Affairs 13 for an update on the IOSCO agenda.

MS. MESA: Thank you, Commissioner

15 Sommers, and thank you for inviting me to provide 16 an update on IOSCO matters to this group.

I have to say when Commissioner Sommers 18 asked me to provide an update on IOSCO initiatives

19 I thought I might just put this group to sleep 20 right before a break. But $I$ have to say, and 21 maybe it's my roots coming from the Midwest part 22 of America, I never thought to infuse Shakespeare

1 as to keep it a more interesting and lively
2 presentation. That said, you're going to get a
3 plan vanilla presentation from me today.
As you can imagine, a lot of the
5 initiatives happening internationally as
6 Commissioner Casey just presented are around OTC
7 regulation and ensuring that we have consistent

8 approaches going forward. Just last week in India

9 the Technical Committee of IOSCO approved a task

10 force on OTC derivatives. That task force is

11 chaired by the U.S., the CFTC and the SEC, the

12 U.K. and India. The three chairs put together a
13 mandate and a lot of that mandate is to take

14 forward what is anticipated from the FSB report
15 that you just heard about from Commissioner
16 Sommers. The group is going to take forward
17 additional analysis of exchange on electronic
18 platform for OTC derivatives. It's going to
19 separately work on data reporting and aggregation 20 requirements so that there is a consistent

21 approach on that front. And then the task force
22 is going to endeavor to develop consistent

1 international standards relating to OTC
2 derivatives regulation and clearing, trading,
3 trade data collection reporting and oversight of
4 certain market participants. It's quite detailed
5 and as Commissioner Casey knows, we had a long
6 discussion in Chennai, India last week about what
7 do standards mean as opposed to principles and I
8 think $I$ can tell you that the idea is that we go
9 even beyond principles in this area because it's
10 so important to harmonize and that we come up with
11 a set of standards here. Finally, this task force
12 is going to serve as a central point where members
13 can consult with each other in going through their
14 own rule-writing and the U.S. Of course will
15 heavily use this group for its own consultation
16 during the rule-writing process.
That sounds like a lot of work for an
18 international group and so you guys are probably
19 thinking 5 years from now we're going to have a 20 report from IOSCO. We're trying to reshape

21 ourselves into something that moves a little
22 faster so that we're going to do these reports

1 separately and in a phased approach, but it is a
2 very tight timeframe, so we're hoping to turn
3 these out before any country is finalized in their

4 rules.
As to other IOSCO projects that touch on
6 the OTC world, there is an ongoing project on
7 suitability standards in connection with complex
8 financial products. This of course includes
9 swaps. The project grew out of European and Asian

10 concerns on the Lehman minibonds so that it's a

11 project that we support here in the United States
12 and is an interesting one to go forward
13 internationally. There is also a project on
14 capital requirements, and that is limited at this
15 point to comparability of capital standards
16 throughout the world and not setting up a standard
17 of capital requirements at this point, but a
18 comparability approach. Also of course during the
19 financial crisis what came to light is that
20 regulators and securities regulators with the
21 prudential regulators weren't all feeding together
22 in a process to identify systemic risk so that

1 IOSCO in June 2010 developed a new principle and
2 approved a new principle which regulators must
3 implement on systemic risk. It states that
4 securities and futures regulators must contribute
5 to a process to monitor, mitigate and manage
6 systemic risk appropriate to its mandate. IOSCO
7 is now working on what does this mean. It seems
8 very lofty, but what is the role of securities and
9 futures regulators in identifying risk in the
10 system and how will it contribute to a process to
11 identify risk?
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Some non-OTC projects I would say but
13 will be of interest to you and IOSCO is just last
14 week another approved mandate on high-frequency
15 trading. The Technical Committee approved this
16 project to address concerns presented by such
17 trading and to consider the regulatory responses.
18 What this group will look at is the impact of
19 high-frequency trading technologies and strategies
20 on market operators, participants, investors and
21 regulators, and the possible impact of
22 high-frequency trading on the orderly functioning

1 of markets including unique aspects that might
2 facilitate manipulative practices. It's not per
3 se manipulative of course to conduct
4 high-frequency trading, but whether there are
5 things that high-frequency traders might be doing
6 that others are taking advantage of. Finally, of
7 course, IOSCO will not forget the benefits of
8 high-frequency trading, so have no fear that that
9 will be a part of the report and analysis of what 10 high-frequency trading brings to the market.

One topic that IOSCO has been working on
12 that has been a subject of debate in this group in
13 the past has been direct electronic access. Some
14 of you will remember that at the last meeting
15 there was quite a lively conversation about this.
16 IOSCO did finalize its report in the meantime so
17 that I wanted to highlight some principles that
18 might be of interest to you. The principles for
19 direct electronic access say that regulators
20 should have appropriate policies and procedures in
21 place to ensure that direct electronic access
22 trades placed directly on to the exchanges by a

1 customer do not pose undo risk to the market and
2 to the relevant intermediary. I think the two
3 most critical principles that I'll point out
4 including Principle 6 on markets that says that a
5 market should not even permit direct electronic
6 access unless there is in place an effective

7 system and controls to enable risk management for
8 fair and orderly trading. Then Principle 7 for

9 intermediaries, that intermediaries, and this

10 includes as appropriate clearing firms, should use
11 both regulatory and financial controls including 12 automated pretrade controls which can limit or 13 prevent a direct electronic access customer from 14 placing an order that exceeds existing positions 15 or credit limits on such a direct electronic 16 access customer. As you know, this goes a little 17 bit beyond where the CFTC is at the present 18 moment, but this is giving direction to 19 regulations who haven't taken steps in this space 20 before.

A task force that the CFTC has
22 co-chaired since 2008 and that we are actively

1 doing work on is the Commodity Futures Markets
2 Task Force. This started after the G-20
3 expressing concern over volatility in agricultural
4 and oil markets and asked IOSCO to do work in this

5 area. We issued a report in March 2009, but the

6 G-20 came back and said please do more work.
7 We're still concerned, but at this time we're

8 particularly concerned about oil market

9 volatility. And in the Pittsburgh Communiqué they 10 gave us very specific instructions on going

11 forward and what IOSCO needed to do. One was that all regulators should collect data to identify and monitor large concentrations on their markets, that they should collect related OTC oil market data, that the regulators should be taking active steps to combat market manipulation and that

17 regulators around the world needed to publish more 18 information to market participants.

In these four areas this group has been
20 taking forward this work in the past year. I
21 think one of the more interesting areas was on the
22 OTC market where regulators around the world did

1 not have authority to on their own necessarily
2 collect data. We have participants in this group
3 from Saudi Arabia, Dubai, major Europeans, Canada
4 and Brazil, et cetera. We worked with ISDA in
5 this area to do a voluntary survey of the OTC
6 market in oil. We had 41 participants and the
7 participants included the G-14 major dealers, but
8 also producers and buy side firms participated.
9 It's a snapshot of results and it is voluntary and
10 unchecked by the regulators. So with all those
11 conditions, I wanted to preview some of the
12 results that will later be in a report to the G-20
13 for its November meeting.
I think it's fairly interesting that 19
15 percent of the trades, and this is by deal count 16 and not by volume, were conducted with a G-14

17 counterparty. I think what this tells us is that
18 in the oil space you're seeing something very
19 different that you're not seeing in interest rates 20 and other financial derivatives, and that is that 21 much of the trading is being done by the non-big

22 dealers and they're being done by non-G-14 to

1 non-G-14, a huge amount of trading. About half
2 the trades, 55 percent, are done on exchange of
3 all the participants. Nineteen percent of those
4 OTC trades are cleared, but 27 percent remain
5 uncleared which I think is quite large because
6 there is available clearing in this space as
7 opposed to a lot of the other products so that you
8 can see that a lot of it remains uncollateralized
9 and noncleared. There is more on-exchange trading
10 of the G-14 members, there is more clearing of the
11 G-14 members than there is of the non-G-14, so
12 that I think those are interesting.
Beyond the survey that we will provide
14 to the G-20 to provide that transparency, the CFTC
15 held a training program to provide information on
16 how we put out our commitment of trader report to
17 foreign regulators. There is very positive
18 reception of that training and we think that
19 several regulators will follow with a similar
20 commitment to trader report on certain markets.
Additionally, the task force is working
22 with cash market regulators, with price reporting

1 agencies and specifically Platts and Argus who do
2 put out prices that the exchanges use, so we're
3 working on how these price reporting agencies
4 affect the price of oil and whether there is
5 proper oversight of them.

7 this task force. There is a lot of press I think
8 in Europe and Patrick and Peter can speak to this,
9 but around the world about ag markets. It shifts
10 back and forth whether it's oil or ag or both, but
11 there is a great fear in the prices of ag markets
12 being volatile and how that affects global
13 economic recovery. I can anticipate at the
14 upcoming G-20 in November that this will be on the 15 agenda for world leaders, and not only will they 16 focus on what's happening in production and 17 capacity, et cetera, but I am sure they will also 18 focus once again on financial markets in this 19 space. So there is more work to come and we look 20 to industry to help us think through some of these 21 problems.

1 Jackie. I'm going to ask now if there are any
2 final questions or discussion on this part of our
3 agenda, and I might ask Mike Dawley who is on the
4 phone if he has any questions and is able to break
5 in.

Shakespeare, one of the things that we have in

9 Dodd-Frank is business conduct standards. Those

10 business conduct standards go both to lowering 11 risk of the swap dealers to the financial system, 12 a lot of back office, and there are also business 13 conduct standards on what I might call sales 14 practices, how you interface with customers.

15 Could you give us a sense? I think some of that 16 you may have taken up and some might be in later 17 MIFID reform, but that would be helpful.

19 this. This is part of the MIFID directive which 20 is up for review at the beginning of next year,

21 and also a separate piece of legislation,
22 something that is called the marketer views

1 directive. Of course we have plenty of
2 directives. The advantage is that each
3 individually are much more readable than
4 Dodd-Frank together.

CHAIRMAN GENSLER: Is the answer is that

6 on sales practices you're taking that up in these
7 other directives and on the back office some of

8 those risk-mitigation techniques might be in this

9 package here? Thanks.
COMMISSIONER DUNN: For a number of

11 years I've pushed our international group very
12 hard to get involved at both the IOSCO level with
13 full membership and to have input into what goes 14 on with the FSB after the G-20 had indicated that 15 that was the mechanism that they were going to 16 use. I want to publicly thank Commissioner Casey 17 for her work on that area who did an outstanding 18 job at representing us here. I'm wondering what 19 opportunities does the public have for input as 20 these things are being hammered out? It would 21 appear to me that this group here has a great deal 22 at stake, and what type of input and when can they

1 get their input into this process?
MS. MESA: I'll speak to IOSCO and maybe

3 let Commissioner Casey talk about the FSB. IOSCO
4 has traditionally put out reports always in a
5 consultative form first so that we can receive
6 public comment from industry. But about a year
7 ago, or it's now been 2 years ago, we heard from

8 industry that that wasn't sufficient, that

9 sometimes these reports went by and they wanted to

10 have early input into IOSCO's work and IOSCO then

11 set up a group that would meet I think twice a

12 year to have outreach to IOSCO into even what they

13 look at and what they should prioritize as work,
14 but also to provide face-to-face feedback to the
15 people leading the working groups. That has been 16 going on for some time, but of course it can't be 17 the world because it's a face-to-face meeting and 18 it's supposed to be representative bodies of 19 certain classes of industry. It's worked but it's 20 not perfect. Individual regulators like myself 21 sometimes will shove these reports out and ask for 22 feedback and among everyone here who is so busy

1 sometimes we get that and sometimes we don't
2 depending on the topic.

COMMISSIONER CASEY: I think again it's

4 a really important point that you make and $I$ know
5 that with the evolution of the work that's been

6 undertaken by the FSB, there's been a tremendous

7 amount of focus on the question of transparency.

8 As Jackie has noted, within IOSCO and other

9 standard-setting bodies like IOSCO or the Basel

10 committee or IAIS, you have these processes which
11 are intended to help facilitate putting out

12 consultative reports, getting input from key
13 stakeholders, having outreach efforts, all
14 intended again to help inform the standard-setting
15 bodies as they take these judgments.

17 ongoing work that the FSB is undertaking and the 18 working group on OTC derivatives in particular, 19 again the working group itself is comprised of the 20 standard-setting bodies, CPSS and IOSCO, and then 21 also with the leadership of the E.C. as well. So

22 to the degree that you have standard-setting

1 bodies also informing the higher-level principles
2 that are being articulated by the FSB and you have
3 a mechanism whereby the work that's taken forward,
4 the standard-setting work, is ultimately
5 undertaken by the standard-setting bodies, you
6 ensure that you have that kind of input at the
7 technical level. I think that going forward
8 though it's going to be an important balance to
9 keep in mind with respect to the very critical and
10 important role that the FSB plays in terms of
11 coordinating the efforts of standard- setting
12 bodies in helping to direct and foster
13 facilitating reform efforts in a consistent
14 manner, but I think it's also going to be
15 important therefore that the standard- setting
16 bodies themselves because those processes ensure
17 that you get that consultation and that
18 transparency, that they also continue to play that
19 frontline role. But what I anticipate from
20 hearing from a lot in the industry, and I know
21 that letters have been sent to the FSB and
22 otherwise, is to try to ensure that there is some

1 greater transparency and input into this processes
2 so that $I$ think in a forward- looking way it's
3 going to be really important that those issues
4 continue to be addressed appropriately.

COMMISSIONER DUNN: Are there any
6 suggestions or comments by the GMAC on this
7 particular issue?

COMMISSIONER SOMMERS: If there are no

9 further questions, we're going to take about a

10 15-minute break, but I want to thank Commissioner

11 Casey for being here with us. I think it's really
12 important as we are trying to coordinate closely
13 with the SEC to have her here as we listen to our 14 counterparts globally. Thank you. We'll take 15 about a 15-minute break.

18 to our General Counsel Dan Berkovitz for an update 19 on Dodd-Frank rulemaking. In the packet of information that we sent to all of you there is a comparison chart that compares Dodd- Frank to the European Commission proposal, to the legislation

1 from the Japanese $F S A$, and if you have any
2 questions regarding that side-by-side on the
3 Dodd-Frank issues, please direct them to Dan as

4 he's the best person to answer those questions.
5 As well as I think most all of you know that we
6 have set up 30 rule-writing teams to assist with

7 our rulemaking process in implementing Dodd- Frank
8 and you have any specific questions regarding

9 those 30 rule-writing teams, Dan also is the

10 appropriate person to ask those questions to. I'm

11 going to have him focus more on international

12 issues that are in the implementation of
13 Dodd-Frank and he has a presentation with regard 14 to that.

I also would be remiss if I didn't say
16 thank you because the side-by-side was a big
17 effort on behalf of the staff of the Office of 18 International Affairs and the General's Counsel's 19 Office, so thank you so much for putting that 20 together for us.

MR. BERKOVITZ: Thank you, Commissioner,
22 and I'd also like to thank Terry, Jackie and DCIO

1 for the help on the presentations.
As you've mentioned, we had prepared the
3 side-by- side of the Dodd-Frank and the E.C.
4 legislation and the Japanese legislation, but the 5 previous speakers, Mr. Pearson and Mr. Sumi,

6 covered it extremely well and I don't think
7 there's a need to go into additional detail. But
8 I have to say on that point it did bring to mind a
9 quote from Shakespeare and the quote from
10 Shakespeare is from "Macbeth" and I forget exactly
11 who said it but it's the scene where Lady Macbeth
12 is urging Macbeth to kill the king. That quote
13 came to mind not because of the references to
14 maybe the duplicative, ungrammatical words in the
15 Dodd-Frank legislation or the ponderous way it was 16 written, but it the quote comes to mind as a

17 complement to the presenter's, "If it were done 18 when 'tis done, then well it were done quickly." 19 So I'm not going to go into the side-by-side, but 20 we'd be happy to answer questions about it.

I'm going to highlight some of the
22 international issues in the legislation, some of

1 the issues with probably most interest to the
2 members of the GMAC. I'll cover the
3 extraterritoriality issue, when does Dodd-Frank
4 have application extraterritorially? And then
5 mention some of the specific rulemakings that may

6 touch upon international interests and that would
7 be the clearing and trading requirements, the swap

8 data repositories and the foreign boards of trade.

9 I would note that David and Duane will follow me

10 on the panel and give the presentation on the
11 foreign boards of trade so I will mention that

12 that's an issue without getting into it and that 13 will be the following presentation.

On extraterritoriality, generally the
15 rule of statutory construction and application of
16 U.S. law is that a statute will not apply
17 extraterritorially unless there is an explicit
18 statement of extraterritoriality within the
19 legislation. We do have that statement in
20 Dodd-Frank. The legislation itself states in
21 Section $722(d)$, and this is in the presentation,
22 "The law shall not apply to activities outside the

1 United States unless those activities, (a) have a
2 direct and significant connection with activities
3 in or effect on commerce of the United States; or
4 (b) contravene CFTC rules issued to prevent
5 evasion of the Dodd-Frank Act." So the second
6 prong is you can't conduct your activities
7 overseas to evade the domestic requirements.

9 connection with activities in or effect on
10 commerce of the United States, is very similar to 11 a provision that's in U.S. antitrust laws, direct 12 and substantial connection with interstate 13 commerce. So in looking to the reach of the U.S. 14 law, we look to precedents in antitrust law and 15 see what the application of that standard has 16 been. Our reading of the law is that it's a very 17 broad application. This is a standard that the 18 courts have granted U.S. Authorities fairly 19 significant extraterritorial application so the 20 precedents are for a wide reach and a broad reach 21 of U.S. law under Dodd-Frank.

1 application of Dodd-Frank in every instance to the
2 maximum extraterritorial reach possible under the
3 statute or not. There is no bright-line rule that
4 says that the statute applies to its fullest
5 extent in every single possible application. It
6 could apply or the agency may have, and we're
7 looking at the very specific circumstances each
8 individually, application or the Commission may
9 apply it extraterritorially in those situations.

10 So we're looking at the two questions for the
11 various provisions in Dodd- Frank, does the
12 extraterritorial provision permit application of
13 U.S. law and should U.S. law apply in all those 14 circumstances.

There are some circumstances where the 16 statute provides clearer guidance than others on 17 how a particular provision should apply 18 extraterritorially. For example, there is no 19 exemptive authority from swap or swap dealers so 20 we wouldn't be able to say for example swaps 21 extraterritorially are exempt from Dodd-Frank.

22 There is no specific authority in the statute.

1 Similarly with respect as we'll talk about a
2 little later facilities, for example, DCOs or
3 trade repositories, whether the U.S. could or
4 could not exempt a DCO from a registration
5 requirement on the presence of a comparable
6 regulatory scheme. So the two facilities where we
7 would have that authority would be SEFs and DCOs
8 and expressly not for trade repositories but it is
9 for SEFs and DCOs that we could consider whether
10 to exempt from registration based on a comparable
11 foreign regulatory scheme. So we're looking at
12 Dodd-Frank as we go through the individual
13 rulemakings on a rule-by-rule basis on a
14 provision-by-provision basis in Dodd-Frank
15 regarding extraterritoriality and that
16 determination will really be made on a
17 rule-by-rule basis. We don't have a blanket rule 18 to apply extraterritorially.

Some of the rules that have
20 international application or interest and the
21 speakers, Patrick talked about the clearing
22 requirement for example in particular, the word

1 clearable. I think too bad Patrick has left the 2 room although the word may not have existed prior

3 to Dodd- Frank. I think maybe 30 or 40 years from
4 now when the next addition of the Oxford English
5 Dictionary comes out it's going to be in there and
6 the first reference to clearable is probably going
7 to be a speech by Chairman Gensler sometime in
82009 and that will be the first entry into the 9 OED.

10 CHAIRMAN GENSLER: Are you suggesting 11 that I brought this, I don't know what you want 12 Patrick would say, but distortion of the English 13 language?

21 submitted for clearing to a derivatives clearing
22 organization registered with the CFTC and the CFTC

1 is to determine whether clearing is mandatory for
2 a swap. This is similar to the process that was
3 outlined for the E.C. The Dodd-Frank legislation
4 provided that upon enactment all the swaps
5 currently being cleared by DCO are automatically
6 submitted to the CFTC for a determination of
7 whether clearing should be mandatory and the CFTC
8 had to make a determination within 90 days. We
9 have been granted extensions by a number of the 10 clearing organizations, by all the clearing

11 organizations that were clearing as of the date of 12 enactment to make those determinations but the 13 agency hopefully intends to at this point proceed 14 expeditiously and have as many of those

15 determinations as possible on the effective date 16 of the Act which would be 360 days after enactment 17 so that these clearable determinations, a number 18 of these swaps have already been submitted to the 19 agency, and the agency will be working toward 20 making those determinations in a timely manner. The trading requirement follows from the 22 clearing requirement that clearable swaps must be

1 traded on or through an exchange, a designated
2 contract market or a swap execution facility that
3 is registered with the CFTC. We're doing

4 rulemakings as well on the trading requirement and
5 the SEF requirement, the SEF core principles, what
6 the core principles that a SEF needs to operate
7 by, and what is a SEF is one of the fundamental

8 questions in those rulemakings and we have had a

9 roundtable on that and we are receiving many
10 comments and the goal is to out with a proposed

11 rule on that sometime in the fall of this year.
The commercial end user exception from
13 the clearing requirement, entities are accepted if 14 they're not financial, if they're using the swap 15 for hedging commercial risk and if they inform the 16 CFTC of how they are managing their risk. We

17 shorthand refer to it as the commercial end user

18 exception but it's really an exception for
19 entities that are not financial entities that meet

20 the other two prongs of the test and we're working
21 on a rulemaking on that as well and that will give

22 more definition to exactly under what

1 circumstances swaps do not have to be cleared.
As I mentioned, the exemptive authority,
3 this is one instance where Congress has spoken in

4 terms of giving some guidance, not definitive, on
5 the extraterritorial application of the
6 registration requirements for DCOs and SEFs. The
7 international expressly provides that we have

8 exemptive authority for a non-U.S. derivatives
9 clearing organization or a SEF from registration

10 if it finds that the $S E F$ is subject to comparable
11 comprehensive supervision and regulation by the 12 appropriate governmental authorities in the home 13 country. It doesn't require the exercise of that 14 authority but it provides the CFTC with

15 discretionary authority and the exempt DCO under 16 those circumstances were the CFTC to grant such an 17 exemption would be required to make available for 18 inspection by CFTC and to be inspected by CFTC and 19 make information available upon request. I would 20 note that for swap data repositories there is no 21 similar exemptive authority so that the test 22 really would be did Congress intend the swap data

1 repository registration provision to apply
2 extraterritorially? To what extent is the CFTC
3 required to register a swap data repository that's

4 located in a foreign jurisdiction? Another issue
5 with the swap data repositories located in foreign
6 jurisdictions is the access to the data, to what

7 extent can foreign regulatory authorities get
8 access to the data in the swap data repository?
9 Can they get it directly or should perhaps they 10 get it through the CFTC? That's another issue 11 that we are working through in the rulemaking 12 process.

13 I will leave the foreign board of trade
14 issue for subsequent CFTC staff for David and
15 Duane to discuss. As an outline of some of the 16 key issues, there are obviously a lot of issues 17 embedded in these general topics. We have as 18 Commissioner Sommers mentioned 30 rulemakings and 19 many of them touch upon these areas in one way or 20 the other. Thank you.

COMMISSIONER SOMMERS: Now is your

22 opportunity to ask Dan anything you want to know

1 about Dodd-Frank and our rulemaking process. Does
2 anybody have any questions? Don?

MR. WILSON: I have some questions and

4 comments. One of the opportunities that's
5 presented by this extensive rejiggering process
6 that we're going through is to increase the number
7 of market participants in these markets so, first

8 of all, in my view a swap which is cleared becomes
9 economically equivalent to a future and as I think

10 everybody knows, there are a lot of market
11 participants like my firm like DRW which are very 12 significant liquidity providers in the futures

13 markets. I think that if in this process we miss
14 the opportunity to encourage firms like mine to
15 participate, we've missed an opportunity to reduce
16 systemic risk and to reduce the reliance on
17 too-big-to-fail institutions. In order to do that
18 I think that you have to focus on issues related
19 to access which cuts across a bunch of different
20 rulemakings and one of the issues is making it
21 viable for independent FCMs to participate as
22 clearing members in these clearinghouses in these

1 products.
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I was wondering if you'd like to comment
3 on that. One of the issues that keeps on being
4 brought up on both sides of the Atlantic is that
5 there is a strong preference for FCMs to also be
6 in the dealing process, in other words, to be able
7 to participate in the default process. It's my
8 view that by precluding independent FCMs from
9 participating as clearing members because they
10 don't trade themselves that you're potentially
11 eliminating an entire group of market participants
12 from coming in. I was wondering if you could 13 comment on that.

CHAIRMAN GENSLER: Don, I'm not replying
15 to your question, I'm asking you a question.
16 Would you as a potential market maker be willing
17 to participate in any forced allocation if a
18 clearinghouse had a defaulted member and for the
19 public there are a number of ways for the
20 clearinghouse to deal with it, but one fail-safe
21 is to say amongst their 20 or 30 or 50 members
22 that they just force the allocation on some pro

1 rata basis of the defaulted member's positions?
MR. WILSON: In the Lehman process that
3 the CME conducted, I think that we saw how a

4 competitive auction process should function. We
5 participated in that process and were the best

6 bidder for three of the five Lehman futures
7 portfolios so we're very comfortable participating

8 in that process. That's a free-market process,
9 but that process should work.

CHAIRMAN GENSLER: You've disclosed it

11 publicly and $I$ knew it privately that you
12 participated in that, but would you also be
13 willing if the auction failed to take your pro
14 rata portion in a forced allocation among members?
15 I think that's one thing clearinghouses have
16 raised, some of them sitting at this table. If
17 you were able to it might loosen this discussion
18 up quite a bit, loosen it up among you and the
19 clearinghouses because for the public the
20 clearinghouses' membership is exclusionary to 20
21 or 30 members and there are some like Don Wilson's
22 firm that would like to become members of future

1 clearinghouses.
MR. WILSON: To be clear, again, our
3 view of the world as things become more cleared is

4 not necessarily that we want to self-clear.
5 Certainly if we wanted to self- clear we're fine

6 participating with whatever process is decided
7 including the possibility of taking parts of

8 portfolios in the event of a failed auction. But

9 we think that the better model is to encourage the

10 FCM model and in that case we're happy to work
11 with FCMs in that default process. I'm not

12 exactly sure what a failed auction means. Does

13 that mean that nobody bid on the portfolio?

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15 some of the clearinghouses around the table have 16 said that that's a possibility.

18 in which the clearinghouse wasn't able to dispose 19 of a portfolio for a price that was commensurate 20 margin it was holding from the defaulting member.

21 In other words, it would have run out of initial
22 margin if it accepted the best offer that they

1 got. But it really the underlying issue here is
2 centered around the massive difference between
3 handling the defaulter's portfolio on listed
4 markets where you've got access to a market that's
5 deep, it's liquid, it's well established, as
6 opposed to handling large portfolios of illiquid
7 positions where the clearinghouse is completely
8 dependent upon a competitive auction process. For
9 the purposes of the failed allocation, Mister
10 Chairman, actually is not really to use it, the
11 purpose of that is that it's a massive weapon at
12 our disposal and the reason that we need that is
13 because that forces the members who are handling
14 the default to make sure the auction works. It
15 was actually really interested in practice to see
16 what happened with the Lehman portfolio because
17 while that was all going on over the first few
18 days, most of the members started to become
19 really, really frightened and quite anxious and
20 there were some heated moments actually because
21 they couldn't see what we were doing, they
22 couldn't see what the people that they had

1 deployed -- were doing in terms of hedging the
2 portfolio so they didn't know what the PNR was
3 done and they knew what the markets were doing
4 because they're in the markets so that the
5 possibility of exceeding the initial margin in
6 their eyes was very, very high and they become
7 really, really scared about this and I'm actually
8 convinced that that dynamic was what caused us to
9 have a very competitive auction so that the
10 purpose of it is not to use it, it's to encourage 11 appropriate behavior.

We're having some fascination
13 discussions with some of the same firms around 14 credit derivatives at the moment. I think Jeff 15 has already passed this line, where because of the 16 different nature of the credit derivatives markets 17 in terms of its concentration and in particular in 18 terms of its concentration around certain single 19 names that only a few firms trade or they market 20 in, the general view of our members is that that

21 forced allocation can't be part of our armory
22 because it just doesn't work, it just wouldn't be

1 fair and it's just hard to make that happen
2 accepts in fact that there needs to be some
3 weapon. What's being discussed now, and the banks

4 seem to be strongly in favor of this at the moment
5 at least is that we'll calculate what we need for
6 a default fund, we do our normal initial margin
7 calculations, we'll size our default fund

8 appropriately for the credit default swap offering
9 it separately, and then on top of that we'll stick

10 a significant extra big lump in the default fund.

11 In other words, the members would have to put quite a lot more of their capital on the line and directly at risk and it's that risk and that weapon that would create the behavior that we'd otherwise get through the forced allocation. I'm sorry for the long answer to your 17 question, but it's a massively important piece of 18 behavioral inducement that we really need and you 19 can get it one or two different ways, but if we 20 don't have that then we are very nervous at

21 relying on an auction just running its course.
CHAIRMAN GENSLER: I interrupted Dan.

1 He can answer the legal question. I was trying to
2 help you two talk to each other across this public
3 meeting.
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5 on that. I think that a lot of these markets are
6 extremely liquid and that's one of the things
7 that's said to justify this is that they're
8 illiquid but I think that one of the markets that
9 we're interested in is the vanilla interest rate 10 swap market which obviously LCH clears quite a lot 11 of and I think that everybody knows that's a very 12 liquid market. A lot of the CDS markets are 13 liquid too. There are certainly some illiquid 14 components of that as well, but I think that in 15 these liquid markets a traditional auction process 16 should be very effective. And to the extent that 17 the initial margin doesn't cover the price, there 18 are other ways of dealing with that. A forced 19 allocation isn't the only way.

COMMISSIONER SOMMERS: Dan, do you have
21 any comments?
MR. BERKOVITZ: I have nothing to add to

1 the discussion that's already occurred.
MR. WASSERMAN: It seems like we're
3 trying to balance two things. On the one hand, it
4 is appropriate and indeed necessary and part of
5 the core principles that clearinghouses have
6 appropriate participant eligibility requirements.
7 On the other hand, we want to avoid barriers to
8 entry, and it seems to me that part of the way to
9 maybe square this to the extent that there is
10 conflict in this is to make sure that we're

11 looking at this with appropriate imagination to
12 say what are the alternative ways? So to the
13 extent that it's necessary to have forced
14 allocation of a means of socializing, then you
15 need to look and ask how can that be accomplished?
16 Must it be at that particular clearing member?
17 Can a clearing member for instance outsource that
18 to perhaps another member under the supervision of
19 the clearinghouse? Or as you mentioned there are
20 other ways of accomplishing it besides forced
21 allocation so I guess we're hoping to see that
22 folks are attacking this imaginatively rather than

1 saying either you have this capability or you
2 don't qualify, go away.

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5 running big organizations but when $I$ was working
6 for one of the big investment banks among other

7 responsibilities $I$ had responsibility for futures
8 and futures clearance was an extraordinarily

9 competitive business and I would imagine that 10 clearing of OTC derivatives is going to become 11 extraordinarily competitive as well. Recently 12 Barclays took on $\$ 200$ billion of derivative 13 clearing for Monte dei Paschi in Italy and I 14 would have thought that the cost of being a client 15 clearer, clearing through a clearing member, 16 should not be very onerous as competition sets in 17 and that one could make markets by being a client 18 of a clearing member. I don't know the pricing 19 right now but $I$ think it's got to emerge down 20 toward what you will pay above and beyond being a 21 clearing member, you save by not having to have 22 the capital at risk.

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2 the pricing so much. It's the actual access. For
3 instance right now, LCH has worked on coming out
4 with this new client model but the way that the
5 workflows work are defined if we wanted to trade 6 with a nondealer and clear that, in other words, 7 provide liquidity to a nondealer and then clear 8 that trade at swap clear, my understanding is the 9 way that it's structured right now is specifically 10 to preclude that type of activity which we think 11 is not in the best interests of the overall

12 functioning of the market. I'll also highlight at 13 the CME that the CME has a CDS product which 14 hasn't really taken off but we've been unable to 15 come to a clearing arrangement with any of the 16 dealer clearing members who are able to offer that 17 product and it's not a question of price.

22 figuring out a way to access that market through

1 that alternative, but thank you, Jeff.

21 it is our view that there they are barriers to
22 entry. I think we'll be very interested to see

1 where the Commission goes with this and where
2 other regulators go, the gap or potential gap
3 between Bob's comment of encouraging the

4 clearinghouses to think creatively, I think

5 imaginatively about approaches to this, and
6 whether the CFTC is going to put real teeth in the

7 fair and open access criteria. I think having

8 been at the hands of the clearinghouses for quite

9 a while we'd like to see the playing field set by

10 the Commission and not just by the clearinghouses 11 and members.

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16 to entry do not track to the actual products and 17 there's much room for approaches that would open 18 up the FCM clearing community and that's what 19 we're hearing from buy-side clients who want to 20 have a different choice of access.

22 restrictions are not the way to solve this
MR. WILSON: We think that the ownership

1 problem. We think that the ownership restrictions
2 may actually prevent competition rather than solve
3 this problem. We think it's more of a governance
4 issue and a specific rulemaking issue.

COMMISSIONER SOMMERS: Does anyone else

6 have any questions or comments with regard to the
7 rulemaking in Dodd-Frank, legal questions that Dan
8 may be able to answer?

10 broader question. The E.C. proposals have some 11 rules that could be used in your rulemaking 12 process. Are there any thoughts on the approach, 13 for example, the information threshold, clearing 14 threshold could be used to define major swap

15 participants. There are penalties for SDRs that 16 are defined in the proposal. Is there a general 17 approach that the CFTC will take on taking that 18 into consideration?

20 teams where we've identified an international
21 component or potentially international interest,
22 Jackie has got a member of the team and that is

1 being factored into each of the rulemaking teams
2 what is the international approach. Is it a good
3 idea? Where should we consider harmonization?

4 And there have been a number of standards
5 specifically on clearing where these have been

6 really factored in very heavily into the
7 rulemaking team process, so, yes.
MS. MESA: I would not something that
9 Chairman Gensler said publicly last week so that

10 I'm taking your words, once the European
11 Commission proposal came out, the rulemaking teams
12 were given instruction from him to implement
13 whatever we could take from the European

14 Commission's proposals so that you couldn't get a 15 stronger recommendation than that and the 16 rulemaking teams are trying to actively implement 17 wherever we can and wherever it makes sense.

COMMISSIONER SOMMERS: Richard?
MR. BERLIAND: I think one of the
20 takeaways from today's session is that if we look
21 at the clearing process and we look at the trade
22 repository process, the timing of the European,

1 Japanese and American processes are sufficiently
2 on top of each other that we've had that
3 opportunity to go back and check what the other
4 guys bring to the table and then put that into the
5 process. I think as Patrick highlighted, the
6 differences between the two in those areas or
7 three if we include the Japanese version as well
8 are relatively limited and for all intents and
9 purposes I think where the differences are they 10 are capable of being ironed out and there is a 11 process to do so.

The area that I think we've discussed
13 very little today is the trading side and that is 14 where our timelines are out of synch because the 15 MIFID review isn't really going to get going until

16 the American process is reasonably far advanced
17 and I think it's going to be a lot harder to back
18 up. I appreciate that this may be more a
19 discussion of policy than a specific legal
20 process, but I'm interested as to what your view
21 is on the process to ensure we don't get so far
22 out of synch on the trading side, in particular

1 definitions of SEFs, and it's my view that there 2 are higher risks of philosophical differences of

3 opinion on the trading side than has been the case

4 on clearing not least where we had the statement

5 from the G-20 which made clearing one of $I$ would
6 say the less controversial areas compared to
7 trading. But I'd be interested in your view on

8 how we stay in synch given that the Europeans are

9 a little bit behind or actually quite a long way

10 behind given the separation of the processes.

MR. BERKOVITZ: I will start out with

12 the answer and then I'm going to hand off to
13 Jackie as to how we can integrate the two on the

14 different timelines. I would emphasize that our
15 timeline is statutorily mandated. At CFTC we
16 virtually no flexibility in the timeline for

17 completing these rules. In order to meet the 18 deadline for July 16, 2011, 360 days after 19 enactment, we're working diligently on the 20 proposed rules right now. We've had three come 21 out last Friday and it's the intent to have a 22 number of others proposed in the upcoming weeks.

1 We have virtually no flexibility on the speed at
2 which we're going as it's dictated to us by
3 Congress so that within that timeframe we'll be
4 taking into account what Europe is doing and I'll
5 let Jackie answer that.

7 that it's not a surprise that the European
8 Commission's proposal came out largely in line
9 with Dodd-Frank and it wasn't because they just
10 looked at on paper once Dodd-Frank was out and 11 then just picked it up and implemented it, there 12 were conversations before even Dodd-Frank was 13 passed with the European Commission as there is on

14 the trading bit of it. Patrick's team isn't
15 handling it on the European Commission. On that
16 side it's Maria Valensa but we've had regular
17 calls with Maria Valensa and her staff and our 18 staff working here on the trading requirement to 19 take on ideas that they're thinking about and to 20 share with them where we're going.

You're right that this issue is highly
22 controversial even in Europe and Peter can talk

1 about that. This is a hotly debated issue, but
2 we're taking ideas from them and they're taking
3 ideas from us and I think we're going to see some
4 of the similar results that we saw on the trading
5 and clearing part of it.

7 other comments before we move to the foreign board
8 of trade issue? If not, we'll move to two of our
9 CFTC staff from the Division of Market Oversight,
10 Duane Andreson and David Van Wagner to present to
11 us on the foreign board of trade issues that are
12 within the Dodd-Frank and the rulemaking that
13 we'll have to do on this issue.
MR. VAN WAGNER: Good afternoon. This
15 is just by way of introduction to Duane getting 16 control of the PowerPoint. Dodd-Frank authorized 17 the Commission to establish a new market category, 18 registered foreign boards of trade. While the 19 rulemaking to establish rules around the process 20 and standards for registered foreign boards of 21 trade was discretionary and not mandatory, the 22 Commission has decided to go ahead with the

1 rulemaking because we thought it was important to
2 bring more transparency to the process and the
3 standards by which foreign boards of trade come
4 and get access to U.S.-based traders and to
5 replace the current process that we use which is a
6 staff-driven no action process which has been in
7 place or 14 years or so. By way of ticking
8 through the Dodd-Frank provisions and some of the
9 issues that we're thinking about in the context of
10 the rulemaking, Duane will take you through that.

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15 discussion.

17 Commission may require registered for foreign
18 boards of trade. They want to permit identified
19 members and other participants in the United
20 States with direction access to their trading
21 system. It also says the CFTC can adopt rules and
22 regulations prescribing the procedures and

1 requirements applicable to that registration and
2 that's the duty of the current rulemaking team.

The registration requirement as David

4 mentioned will replace the current practice of

5 issuing staff no action letters. Currently we
6 have 20 active letters, 20 exchanges, that have

7 active no action letters of whom 14 are showing

8 volume from within the United States. In adopting

9 these rules and regulations, the Commission shall

10 consider whether the foreign board of trade is

11 subject to comparable comprehensive supervision

12 and regulation by the appropriate governmental

13 authorities in the FBOT's home country. I

14 understand from earlier today that was all
15 whittled down to whether the FBOT is subject to 16 equivalent regulation in its home country.

Some other things that would be looked
18 at during the context of the registration
19 requirement are these seven areas probably because 20 we're not really certain at this point, but these 21 are the seven areas that perform the basis of the 22 review for the no action process, in particular,

1 the trading system, does it comply with the IOSCO
2 principles, settlement and clearing, the same
3 kinds of things that the Commission would look at
4 as part of the DCM registration.
The Dodd-Frank bill also has special
6 provisions for linked contracts, that is, the
7 Commission cannot permit a foreign board of trade
8 to provide direct access to its trading system
9 unless the Commission determines that the foreign
10 board of trade does the following with respect to
11 any linked contract, that is, a contract that
12 settles against any price of a contract listed in
13 a U.S.-registered entity. The foreign board of
14 trade must make available daily trading
15 information that's equivalent to that of the
16 linked contract, it must establish equivalent
17 position limits, it or its regulatory authority
18 must have the capability to require position
19 adjustments, it must provide information to the
20 Commission, large trader information, that is
21 comparable to that provided for the linked
22 contract and it must provide the Commission

1 information for the aggregate trader positions.

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3 Dodd-Frank Act. Some of the considerations that

4 would impact a rulemaking with respect to
5 registration for a foreign board of trade are on
6 the next three slides. That is, as we said, the
7 registration requirement replaces the current

8 practice of no action letters. To what extent

9 should the registration submission requirements

10 match those, the requirements of the no action

11 letters? And should registration be viewed as a 12 codification of the current no action policy or 13 something different? Secondly, what standard 14 should the Commission use to determine if a

15 foreign board of trade should be eligible for 16 registration? The four standards that are listed 17 here are those that were published in the 18 Commission's policy statement in 2006 in which the 19 Commission endorsed the no action policy.

Another set of provisions that are
21 considered would be considered in any rulemaking.
22 What should constitute comparable comprehensive

1 supervision and regulation by appropriate
2 government authorities in the foreign board of
3 trade's home country? To what extent does that

4 mean that the foreign board of trade is subject to
5 comprehensive supervision and regulation that is

6 comparable to that the CFTC provides in overseeing
7 its DCMs? Secondly, how should the registration

8 requirements affect foreign boards of trade that

9 current have no action relief? Should the 20

10 foreign boards of trade be grandfathered and not
11 have to apply for registration at all? Should

12 there be some kind of limited registration based

13 on the fact that they've already been reviewed
14 once and determined to be adequate for the no
15 action process? Or should they be treated like a
16 brand-new applicant?
Finally in terms of the consideration,
18 the Dodd- Frank bill defines direct access for

19 purpose of foreign board of trade registration to
20 refer to an explicit grant of authority by a
21 foreign board of trade to an identified member or
22 other participant located in the U.S. to enter

1 trades directly into the trade-matching system of
2 the foreign board of trade. We are well aware
3 that there are many different methodologies for
4 electronic transmission of orders that are not
5 exactly like this but are very similar to this.

6 For instance, if a 3010 firm allows orders to be

7 routed to it and they simply pass through the

8 risk- management filter without any additional

9 interface with the infrastructure, is that not

10 direct access? And what about a firm that

11 authorized its clients to connect directly to the
12 foreign board of trade under the firm's mnemonic 13 or password referred to IOSCO as sponsored access?

14 To what extent are those kinds of access to a

15 trade-matching engine equivalent to direct access 16 such that the Commission should consider requiring 17 those foreign boards of trade to register?

19 published in the Federal Register before the end 20 of the year. We would certainly welcome your 21 comments on any area of the proposed rule. And

22 the rulemaking is on a 1-year timeframe and even

1 though it's discretionary it's on a 360-day
2 timeframe and if you wish to make comments there
3 is a way to make comments including the FBOT
4 registration team page if you wish to make
5 comments before any proposed rule hits the street.

6 Thank you very much.

COMMISSIONER SOMMERS: Thank you, Duane.

8 Richard?

10 think as Chairman Gensler has said, the process of 11 the no action letters is something that grew up 12 over the years. I'm sure we wouldn't have

13 introduced it if we'd known it had grown into 14 something that it is today. But my main concern 15 is that to have a process that is one way, i.e., a 16 process where a foreign board of trade wanting to 17 grant access to U.S. participants goes under this 18 process is going to lead inevitably to a whole 19 load of bilateral arrangements that exist around 20 the world, so whether it's ICE or any of the 21 entities that exist in the U.S. that was to

22 provide access to other countries, I think it

1 would be great whether it's using IOSCO or
2 otherwise to a process where we could come up with
3 a global standard and I think undoubtedly these
4 are going to incorporate a lot of best practices
5 to do just that. But much as I think the Part 30

6 process which had so much of this mutual
7 recognition and sharing of information, whether we

8 could come up with something similar I think it

9 would be a tremendous step forward of efficiency

10 in trying to achieve what will be a better and

11 more regulated process. But I would strongly
12 endorse the idea that we try to use IOSCO to come

13 up with a multilateral process rather than

14 everybody putting their own access rights in
15 place.

18 ensure that as the Commission moves forward with

19 this discretionary rule-writing that there are not 20 unintended consequences, to take some of Richard's

21 comments a bit further, that create trade

22 barriers? Liffe has been subject to this no

1 action regime since 1998 and our experience is
2 that it's worked exceptionally well; that although
3 informal it's a very robust process that was

4 further strengthened in 2008 to give further
5 requirements around foreign contracts linked to
6 U.S. markets; certainly requires a high level of
7 coordination between international regulators but
8 certainly from everything we've heard today that's
9 happening. Our concern given that one-third of 10 the volume on our European Liffe Exchange comes 11 from U.S. Clients which is a direct result I 12 think of the success of the current no action 13 regime, that if this causes foreign jurisdictions 14 to retaliate and force their own registrations 15 although it may be helpful as Richard said if 16 there are some standards but there will be no 17 requirement that those are followed, there could 18 be very severe unintended consequences. We have a 19 process right now that $I$ think has been 20 exceptionally effective and it sounds from the 21 proposal that we're formalizing processes in many 22 instances that are happening right now anyway.

1 How do we guard against those unintended
2 consequences that could really hurt global flows
3 of capital?
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5 at other countries' mutual recognition regimes,
6 they have a registration process in place. It's
7 sort of what we're contemplating at the CFTC. I
8 think the process that this is embedded in a
9 statute should give the foreign exchanges more
10 comfort because a staff no action today could just
11 be ripped out by staff at any time. So this is a
12 formal in- statute recognition process which will
13 grant access to U.S. Customers. I think you
14 rightly point out that we're codifying what's
15 there now on an informal basis. There will of
16 course be some adjustments to keep in line with
17 raising the bar, but we hope those won't be out of 18 synch with what other regulators are doing around 19 the globe.

21 want to comment on this. One of the things that
22 I've found is, and it was even in my confirmation

1 process, this whole concept that a regulatory
2 body, the CFTC, over some 14 years has done 20 of
3 these at the staff level and weren't necessarily
4 at the full Commission level even though sometimes
5 they went through what was called an absent
6 objection process. That lacks some credibility to
7 certain members of Congress and the public so that
8 here is a very transparent process. The public
9 will be able to comment on the set of proposed 10 rules and I'm sure we'll adjust them in some way 11 before we get to the final rules because that's 12 the process. I'm encouraged by this. I think it 13 brings greater transparency and public input and 14 hopefully uniformity. Again I sense what you're 15 saying is you're a little nervous because 16 something has worked and so what you know has 17 worked and you're worried for New York Stock 18 Exchange Liffe as to what might come.

20 right in that we are formalizing a process that's
21 been in place for 14 years, it's tried and true 22 and it has worked.

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2 hasn't fully worked. It hasn't gained the full
3 confidence and credibility of the public.
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18 here with a couple of thoughts. First of all,
19 Tom, I understand your concerns but in my opinion 20 this gives much greater legal certainty as to what 21 is taking place because it is codified now and we 22

CHAIRMAN GENSLER: I would say that it
R. CALLAHAN: That's a perception issue which may be valid, but the technical details of how this process worked before and after are going to be largely unchanged at least from what I understand from the proposal so that I'm just worried again about the unintended consequences, that if the facts aren't changing we're just formalizing this through this formal registration process, how do we guard against this becoming a trade barrier? And I think that's a hard question to answer and we're not going to know until the rule goes into affect.

COMMISSIONER SOMMERS: Mike?
COMMISSIONER DUNN: If I may enter in have had recent situations where a chairman or a

1 division director has said I'm going to change
2 that no action letter and just like that with no
3 rhyme or reason. Under our regulations they don't
4 have to tell you why they're going to be changing
5 that, they can just yank it and I feel this gives
6 a great deal more uncertainty.

8 during my tenure as $I$ see things evolving here on
9 these no action letters, that initially there were
10 a couple of points said we have to have these in
11 there, later on three or four more points were
12 added and now we're up to seven points that to be
13 added. All of those originally were in there and
14 the no action letter only applies to those that
15 had that no action letter to them and not
16 uniformly across the entire industry, so that in
17 my opinion this really does give an opportunity
18 for everybody to be on a level playing field. COMMISSIONER SOMMERS: I would say that

20 I agree with codifying and formalizing the
21 process, but in doing so to take into
22 consideration some of the concerns of the people

1 who have been operating under the no action
2 process and a process that has not had problems
3 besides the linked contract issues that we've
4 dealt with separately.

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6 there is an IOSCO work stream on mutual
7 recognition? 9 knows the date, of the screen-based project in

10 IOSCO which came up with a mutual-recognition 11 regime for foreign boards of trade. It's

12 something that we at the CFTC use as the basis for
13 a no action process and it's what other countries
14 modeled their regimes on mutual recognition on.
15 It's been quite some time since we've looked at 16 that, so maybe what I'm hearing is it's time to

17 take another look at it in IOSCO, but there is 18 something that tried to harmonize this process 19 really early on.

21 Bonnie?
I do have a question for Jackie. Is

MS. MESA: There was, and maybe Duane

COMMISSIONER SOMMERS: Thank you.

MS. LITT: Duane, you mentioned that

1 there was some talk about what direct access from
2 the U.S. means and you talked about sponsored
3 access and access through firm- provided filters.
4 Is there any thought that this new provision is
5 going to change the way you thought about what
6 presence in the U.S. means under the no action
7 letters versus under this statutory and regulatory
8 regime?

10 I wouldn't think so.
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12 would change?
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15 definition. It's just what is encompassed within 16 that definition in the real world in terms of

17 order routing systems, but there would still be 18 players from within the United States who would be 19 impacted.

21 first time we talked about this stuff, it was a 22 very big issue because obviously when FCMs provide

1 access through their own trading systems, that
2 doesn't necessarily make the exchange present in
3 the United States and this is another place where

4 there is some room for mischief because if you
5 overly broadly define what presence in a country

6 means, and in an electronic world what in the
7 world does that mean anyway, you worry about

8 having too many people cross-registering across so

9 that 1 think it's something we have to be

10 conscious of. Obviously the no action regime has 11 worked well in this regard so that it's a place 12 where we would vote thumbs up for those 13 interpretations.

15 had some decent wordage on this. There is wording 16 in there about the exchange itself being the actor 17 which gives explicit authority which is helpful. 18 But as with all things I think in Dodd-Frank, we 19 are concerned about the possibility of evasion 20 where an exchange might encourage direct access 21 because they don't want to bother coming to us. I 22 think it's fair to say on this issue there will be

1 a number of questions regardless of how the
2 Commission proposes the rule so I would definitely
3 watch the Federal Register space.

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9 negative so that $I$ think the idea of going to an 10 overseas licensing regime which is where most of 11 the jurisdictions are moving toward is entirely 12 right. I think the risk is, and I think Bonnie 13 touched on it, will this be a vehicle for

14 redefining what is a U.S. Exchange and I think 15 there is a certain nervousness because as you know 16 we had this debate 3 or 4 years ago. Was it

17 longer? I'm getting older and I feel my memory is 18 no good anymore.

The other thing is whether or not there
20 are going to be additional rules that if you like
21 are brought under this new title of describing the
22 way in which exchanges can do business in the

1 U.S., and I think those are the worry areas. But
2 my understanding is that there isn't going to be
3 raft of new rules sitting under this and that it's
4 going to be more of the way of describing it as a
5 positive regime for the purposes of the Hill
6 particularly rather than a negative regime.
CHAIRMAN GENSLER: Poor Duane is trying
8 to answer the questions. He doesn't really know
9 there are five independently Senate confirmed
10 Commissioners, so I want to get Duane off the hook
11 for a little bit, and as David Wan Wagner said, 12 you'll have to wait for the Federal Register

13 release. We have a lot to debate and discuss. I
14 note that because the old foreign board of trade 15 no action regime was about futures and now we have 16 this product called swaps and so one of the things 17 I've at least been briefed on is how does this 18 relate to swaps? That may not go to Bonnie's 19 question, but I wouldn't put Duane in the box of 20 saying nothing is going to change because I think 21 that would be unfair to Duane, and we have the 22 whole world of swaps in here too.

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2 encourage you to comment. Your comments will be
3 taken into account, believe me. There are some
4 areas that we're really interested in how the
5 industry feels about it and how our approach
6 should go and I promise you we will consider all
7 comments.
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9 other comments on specifically foreign board of
10 trade issues, I think I'll ask if any of the
11 members have any general comments and we can wrap 12 up the meeting unbelievably early today. Do any 13 of my fellow Commissioners have any closing

14 comments? I want to say thank you again to not
15 only the CFTC staff that put together the
16 presentations that are on the agenda today, but to
17 all of you for being here, and especially to Peter
18 and Patrick for being here and for Mr. Sumi and
19 Mr. Mori from the Japanese FSA, thank you so much
20 for traveling. I'm sure it's been a very long day
21 for you and we appreciate you sitting through this
22 almost 4-hour meeting to talk about these very

1 important issues. Do you have any closing
2 comments?

4 Jill for her leadership of this. These
5 international issues are so important. And to all
6 five the Commissioners I also thank them for their
7 work and the full panel for the discussion. I'm
8 glad to see that Roger and Don got closer to this
9 participant membership thing, but it seems like
10 there's a little bit more work to be done there.
COMMISSIONER DUNN: I'd like to thank all of the participants and all our presenters. Mister Chairman, I thought you were very artful in getting that exchange of ideas there, and I wish everyone a pleasant movie on their flight home.

COMMISSIONER SOMMERS: Thank you to
17 everyone and especially to my staff, Mike Otten 18 who is our new designated federal official for the 19 Global Markets Advisory Committee and Marcia Blase 20 and my assistant Sharon Floyd who put together all

21 the specific details for this. If you have any
22 further questions with regard to this meeting,

1 don't hesitate to call my office. Thank you.

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(Whereupon, at 4:25 p.m., the PROCEEDINGS were adjourned.)

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