ALERT 98-18

Type: Suspicious Transactions

Subject: Stolen United States Treasury Checks

Date: May 15, 1998

TO: Chief Executive Officers of all National Banks; all State Banking Authorities; Chairman, Board of Governors of the Federal Reserve System; Chairman, Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation; Conference of State Bank Supervisors; Deputy Comptrollers (Districts); Assistant Deputy Comptrollers; and Examining Personnel

Information has been received that United States Treasury Checks have been stolen and are in circulation. A specimen copy is attached.

Any information which you may have concerning this matter should be handled in accordance with the contents indicated in the attachment; also provide information to the attention of:

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Attachment