

SECRETARY OF THE TREASURY

March 5, 2019

The Honorable Nancy Pelosi Speaker U.S. House of Representatives Washington, DC 20515

Dear Madam Speaker:

I am writing to notify you, as required under 5 U.S.C. § 8438(h)(2), of my determination that, by reason of the statutory debt limit, I will be unable to invest fully the Government Securities Investment Fund (G Fund) of the Thrift Savings Fund, part of the Federal Employees' Retirement System, in interest-bearing securities of the United States, beginning on March 5, 2019. The statute governing G Fund investments expressly authorizes the Secretary of the Treasury to suspend investment of the G Fund to avoid breaching the statutory debt limit. My predecessors have taken this suspension action during previous debt limit impasses. By law, the G Fund will be made whole once the debt limit is increased or suspended. Federal retirees and employees will be unaffected by this action.

I respectfully urge Congress to protect the full faith and credit of the United States by acting to increase the statutory debt limit as soon as possible.

Sincerely,

Start. March.
Steven T. Mnuchin

Identical letter sent to:

The Honorable Mitch McConnell, Senate Majority Leader The Honorable Charles E. Schumer, Senate Democratic Leader The Honorable Kevin McCarthy, House Republican Leader

cc: The Honorable Richard E. Neal, Chairman, House Committee on Ways and Means The Honorable Kevin Brady, Ranking Member, House Committee on Ways and Means The Honorable Charles E. Grassley, Chairman, Senate Committee on Finance The Honorable Ron Wyden, Ranking Member, Senate Committee on Finance