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- ▶ A common theme has been the desire to lower interest rates on risk-free assets (such as government bonds) across different terms to maturity of those assets that is, across the yield curve.



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