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## **Ending DACA** ...

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## Ending DACA Could Cost \$400B Over 10 Years



The U.S. markets were bearish yesterday as traders digested the impact of several events.

First, we have the situation with North Korea, which has yet to be resolved and is likely to escalate further unless a break-through in negotiations occurs but, as this point, that seems unlikely.

Second, the coming impact of Hurricane Irma could be devastating as the storm has now reached category 5 status and is the strongest recorded Atlantic storm in history, with the potential of becoming even stronger still depending upon the path it ends up taking. But, as long as it hits the United States at its current strength, widespread devastation is clearly going to occur. It can only be hoped that the storm will lose momentum or fail to hit the continental USA.

Third, we have the comments from FOMC members. Governor Kashkari's statements suggested that the FOMC raised rates too quickly and that the economy may have suffered as a result. FOMC members also showed caution in their inflation expectations.

Fourth, the other major topic was the repeal and potential replacement of DACA. As was expected, the White House moved to end the Obama-era program and leave it to Congress to decide if it is to be continued.

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President Trump and Attorney-General Sessions argued that the policy had been adopted by circumventing Congress in the first place and, therefore, it was prudent to push the decision back to Congress to reach a new bill or end the entire program within 6 months. Some analysts speculated that this decision would potentially drain the U.S. economy of as much as \$400 billion over the next decade. This potential loss, of course, is not due to the expense of removing people, but rather is projected as a potential cost of losing the jobs these people are currently engaged in as well as potentially not being able to replace those workers. However, it should also be noted that other immigrants or current citizens or legal residents could replace those who might ultimately have to leave.

But, clearly, the decision creates uncertainty, and thus more volatility. We will keep an eye on all of these things for further developments.

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## Market Comment: Hurricane Fears/Fed Doves Whack Market

It is all about Irma and DACA today, although there are also the persistent worries about North Korea, and even headlines about a hurricane que se llama José.

Leading Fed dove, Lael Brainard, coos about slowing down on rate hikes, which are still echoing as well, after helping to send the financial sector's stocks XLF, -2.14% to their lowest close in nearly three months.

It is clear what you get if you combine the Fed's concerns over inflation with the economic damage caused by Hurricane Harvey, and then add into the mix the prospect of more damage from Hurricane Irma.

U.S. stocks closed lower on Tuesday, as investors focused on heightened geopolitical tensions after North Korea said it had successfully tested its biggest-ever nuclear bomb. The S&P 500 index, SPX, snapped a six-day winning run, closing 0.8% lower, while the Dow average, DJIA, finished down 1.1%, and the Nasdaq Composite Index, COMP, dropped 0.9%.

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