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SUBJECT TO COMPLETION, DATED JULY 16, 2018

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Medium-Term Senior Notes, Series N

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Overview

The securities offered by this pricing supplement are unsecured debt securities issued by Citigroup Global Markets Holdings Inc. and guaranteed by Citigroup Inc. The securities offer the potential for quarterly contingent coupon payments at an annualized rate that, if all are paid, would produce a yield that is generally higher than the yield on our conventional debt securities of the same maturity. In exchange for this higher potential yield, you must be willing to accept the risks that (i) your actual yield may be lower than the yield on our conventional debt securities of the same maturity because you may not receive one or more, or any, contingent coupon payments; (ii) your actual yield may be negative because your payment at maturity may be significantly less than the stated principal amount of your securities and possibly zero; and (iii) the securities may be automatically redeemed prior to maturity beginning approximately three months after the issue date. Each of these risks will depend on the performance of the worst performing of the shares of common stock of Amazon.com, Inc., the shares of class A common stock of Alphabet Inc. and the shares of common stock of Netflix, Inc. (each, the "underlying shares"), as described below. You will be subject to risks associated with each of the underlying shares and will be negatively affected by adverse movements in any one of the underlying shares regardless of the performance of the other underlying shares. Although you will be exposed to downside risk with respect to the worst performing underlying shares, you will not participate in any appreciation of any underlying shares or receive any dividends paid on any underlying shares. Investors in the securities must be willing to accept (i) an investment that may have limited or no liquidity and (ii) the risk of not receiving any payments due under the securities if we and Citigroup Inc. default on our obligations. All payments on the securities are subject to the credit risk of Citigroup Global Markets Holdings Inc. and Citigroup Inc.

KEY TERMS

Issuer: Citigroup Global Markets Holdings Inc., a wholly owned subsidiary of Citigroup Inc.

Guarantee: All payments due on the securities are fully and unconditionally guaranteed by Citigroup Inc.

Underlying shares:	Underlying shares	Initial share price*	Downside threshold price**
	Shares of Common Stock of Amazon.com, Inc.	\$	\$
	Shares of Class A Common Stock of Alphabet Inc.	\$	\$
	Shares of Common Stock of Netflix, Inc.	\$	\$
	* The closing price of the applicable underlying sha		

^{**} For each of the underlying shares, 55% of the applicable initial share price

Aggregate stated principal amount:

\$

Stated

principal \$10 per security

amount:

Pricing date: July , 2018 (expected to be July 27, 2018)

, 2018 (three business days after the pricing date). See "Supplemental Plan of Distribution" in

Issue date: this pricing supplement for additional information.

Expected to be October 29, 2018, January 28, 2019, April 29, 2019, July 29, 2019, October 28, 2019, January 27, 2020, April 27, 2020, July 27, 2020, October 27, 2020, January 27, 2021, April 27, 2021 and July 27, 2021 (the "final valuation date"), each subject to postponement if such date is not a

scheduled trading day for any of the underlying shares or if certain market disruption events occur with

respect to any of the underlying shares.

Maturity date:

Valuation

dates:

Unless earlier automatically redeemed, July , 2021 (expected to be July 30, 2021)

Contingent coupon payment dates:

For each valuation date, the third business day after such valuation date, except that the contingent coupon payment date for the final valuation date will be the maturity date.

On each quarterly contingent coupon payment date, unless previously automatically redeemed, the securities will pay a contingent coupon equal to 3.00% of the stated principal amount of the securities (approximately 12.00% per annum) if and only if the closing price of the worst performing underlying shares on the related valuation date is greater than or equal to the applicable downside threshold price. If the closing price of the worst performing underlying shares on any quarterly valuation date is less than the applicable downside threshold price, you will not receive any contingent coupon payment on the related contingent coupon payment date.

Contingent coupon:

Payment at If the securities are not automatically redeemed prior to maturity, for each \$10 stated principal amount maturity: security you hold at maturity, you will receive cash in an amount determined as follows:

> If the final share price of the worst performing underlying shares on the final valuation date is greater than or equal to the applicable downside threshold price: \$10 plus the contingent coupon payment due at maturity

If the final share price of the worst performing underlying shares on the final valuation date is **less** than the applicable downside threshold price: \$10 multiplied by the share performance factor of the worst performing underlying shares on the final valuation date

If the final share price of the worst performing underlying shares on the final valuation date is less than the applicable downside threshold price, you will receive less, and possibly significantly less, than 55.00% of the stated principal amount of your securities at maturity, and you will not receive any contingent coupon payment at maturity.

Underwriting fee and issue price: Issue price⁽¹⁾⁽²⁾ Underwriting fee Proceeds to issuer

Per security: \$10.00 \$0.20⁽²⁾ \$9.75

 $$0.05^{(3)}$

Total: \$ \$

(Key Terms continued on next page)

- (1) Citigroup Global Markets Holdings Inc. currently expects that the estimated value of the securities on the pricing date will be at least \$9.280 per security, which will be less than the issue price. The estimated value of the securities is based on CGMI's proprietary pricing models and our internal funding rate. It is not an indication of actual profit to CGMI or other of our affiliates, nor is it an indication of the price, if any, at which CGMI or any other person may be willing to buy the securities from you at any time after issuance. See "Valuation of the Securities" in this pricing supplement.
- (2) CGMI, an affiliate of Citigroup Global Markets Holdings Inc. and the underwriter of the sale of the securities, is acting as principal and will receive an underwriting fee of \$0.25 for each \$10 security sold in this offering. Certain selected dealers, including Morgan Stanley Wealth Management, and their financial advisors will collectively receive from CGMI a fixed selling concession of \$0.20 for each \$10 security they sell. Additionally, it is possible that CGMI and its affiliates may profit from expected hedging activity related to this offering, even if the value of the securities declines. See "Use of Proceeds and Hedging" in the accompanying prospectus.
- (3) Reflects a structuring fee payable to Morgan Stanley Wealth Management by CGMI of \$0.05 for each security.

Investing in the securities involves risks not associated with an investment in conventional debt securities. See "Summary Risk Factors" beginning on page PS-8.

Neither the Securities and Exchange Commission (the "SEC") nor any state securities commission has approved or disapproved of the securities or determined that this pricing supplement and the accompanying product supplement, prospectus supplement and prospectus is truthful or complete. Any representation to the contrary is a criminal offense.

You should read this pricing supplement together with the accompanying product supplement, prospectus supplement and prospectus, each of which can be accessed via the hyperlinks below:

<u>Product Supplement No. EA-04-06 dated April 7, 2017</u> <u>Prospectus Supplement and Prospectus each dated</u>
April 7, 2017

The securities are not bank deposits and are not insured or guaranteed by the Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation or any other governmental agency, nor are they obligations of, or guaranteed by, a bank.

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KEY TERMS

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Automatic early redemption:

If, on any valuation date (other than the final valuation date), the closing price of the worst performing underlying shares on that valuation date is greater than or equal to the applicable initial share price, each security you then hold will be automatically redeemed on the related contingent coupon payment date for an amount in cash equal to the early redemption payment. If the securities are redeemed, no further payments will be made.

Early redemption The stated principal amount of \$10 per security *plus* the related contingent coupon payment

Final share price: For each of the underlying shares, the applicable closing price on the final valuation date

Share

For each of the underlying shares on any valuation date, the applicable closing price on that

valuation date *divided by* the applicable initial share price

factor:

underlying

performance

Worst performing For any valuation date, the underlying shares with the lowest share performance factor on that

valuation date shares:

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Additional Information

General. The terms of the securities are set forth in the accompanying product supplement, prospectus supplement and prospectus, as supplemented by this pricing supplement. The accompanying product supplement, prospectus supplement and prospectus contain important disclosures that are not repeated in this pricing supplement. For example, certain events may occur that could affect whether you receive a contingent coupon payment on a contingent coupon payment date as well as your payment at maturity or, in the case of a delisting of the underlying shares, could give us the right to call the securities prior to maturity for an amount that may be less than the stated principal amount. These events, including market disruption events and other events affecting the underlying shares, and their consequences are described in the accompanying product supplement in the sections "Description of the Securities—Certain Additional Terms for Securities Linked to Company Shares or ETF Shares—Consequences of a Market Disruption Event; Postponement of a Valuation Date," "—Dilution and Reorganization Adjustments" and "—Delisting of Company Shares," and not in this pricing supplement. It is important that you read the accompanying product supplement, prospectus supplement and prospectus together with this pricing supplement before deciding whether to invest in the securities. Certain terms used but not defined in this pricing supplement are defined in the accompanying product supplement.

Dilution and Reorganization Adjustments. The initial share price and the downside threshold price applicable to each of the underlying shares are each a "Relevant Price" for purposes of the section "Description of the Securities—Certain

Additional Terms for Securities Linked to Company Shares or ETF Shares—Dilution and Reorganization Adjustments" in the accompanying product supplement. Accordingly, the initial share price and the downside threshold price applicable to each of the underlying shares are each subject to adjustment upon the occurrence of any of the events described in that section.

Investment Summary

The securities provide an opportunity for investors to earn a quarterly contingent coupon payment, which is an amount equal to \$0.30 (3.00% of the stated principal amount) per security, with respect to each quarterly valuation date on which the closing price of the worst performing underlying shares on that valuation date is greater than or equal to 55% of the applicable initial share price, which we refer to as the applicable downside threshold price. The worst performing underlying shares on any valuation date are the underlying shares with the lowest closing price on that valuation date as a percentage of the applicable initial share price, which we refer to as the applicable share performance factor on that valuation date. The quarterly contingent coupon payment, if any, will be payable quarterly on the relevant contingent coupon payment date, which is the third business day after the related valuation date or, in the case of the quarterly contingent coupon payment, if any, with respect to the final valuation date, the maturity date. If the closing price of the worst performing underlying shares on any valuation date is less than the applicable downside threshold price, investors will receive no quarterly contingent coupon payment for the related quarterly period. It is possible that the closing price of the worst performing underlying shares could be below the applicable downside threshold price on most or all of the valuation dates so that you will receive few or no quarterly contingent coupon payments. We refer to these payments as contingent because there is no guarantee that you will receive a payment on any contingent coupon payment date. Even if the closing price of the worst performing underlying shares was at or above the applicable downside threshold price on some quarterly valuation dates, the closing price of the worst performing underlying shares may fluctuate below the applicable downside threshold price on others.

If the closing price of the worst performing underlying shares on any valuation date (other than the final valuation date) is greater than or equal to the applicable initial share price, the securities will be automatically redeemed for an early redemption payment equal to the stated principal amount *plus* the quarterly contingent coupon payment with respect to the related valuation date. If the securities have not previously been automatically redeemed and the final share price of the worst performing underlying shares on the final valuation date is greater than or equal to the applicable downside threshold price, the payment at maturity will also be the sum of the stated principal amount and the quarterly contingent coupon payment with respect to the final valuation date. However, if the securities have not previously been automatically redeemed and the final share price of the worst performing underlying shares on the final valuation date is less than the applicable downside threshold price, investors will be exposed to the decline in the closing price of the worst performing underlying shares on the final valuation date, as compared to the applicable initial share price, on a 1-to-1 basis. Under these circumstances, the payment at maturity will be (i) the stated principal amount *times* (ii) the share performance factor of the worst performing underlying shares on the final

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valuation date, which means that the payment at maturity will be less than 55.00% of the stated principal amount of the securities and could be zero. Investors in the securities must be willing to accept the risk of losing their entire principal and also the risk of receiving few or no quarterly contingent coupon payments over the term of the securities. The stated payments on the securities are based **solely** on the performance of the worst performing underlying shares on each valuation date. As a result, investors will be negatively affected by adverse movements in any one of the underlying shares, regardless of the performance of the others. In addition, investors will not participate in any appreciation of any of the underlying shares.

Key Investment Rationale

The securities offer investors an opportunity to earn a quarterly contingent coupon payment equal to 3.00% of the stated principal amount with respect to each valuation date on which the closing price of the worst performing underlying shares on that valuation date is greater than or equal to 55% of the applicable initial share price, which we refer to as the applicable downside threshold price. The securities may be automatically redeemed prior to maturity for the stated principal amount per security *plus* the applicable quarterly contingent coupon payment, and the payment at maturity will vary depending on the final share price of the worst performing underlying shares on the final valuation date, as follows:

On any valuation date (other than the final valuation date), the closing price of the worst performing underlying shares on that valuation date is greater than or equal to the applicable initial share price.

Scenario 1

The securities will be automatically redeemed for (i) the stated principal amount *plus* (ii) the quarterly contingent coupon payment with respect to the related valuation date.

Investors will not participate in any appreciation of any of the underlying shares from their applicable initial share prices.

Scenario 2

The securities are not automatically redeemed prior to maturity, and the final share price of the worst performing underlying shares on the final valuation date is greater than or equal to the applicable downside threshold price.

The payment due at maturity will be (i) the stated principal amount *plus* (ii) the quarterly contingent coupon payment with respect to the final valuation date.

Investors will not participate in any appreciation of any of the underlying shares from their applicable initial share prices.

The securities are not automatically redeemed prior to maturity, and the final share price of the worst performing underlying shares on the final valuation date is less than the applicable downside threshold price.

Scenario 3

The payment due at maturity will be (i) the stated principal amount *times* (ii) the share performance factor of the worst performing underlying shares on the final valuation date.

Investors will lose a significant portion, and may lose all, of their principal in this scenario.

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How the Securities Work
The following diagrams illustrate potential payments on the securities. The first diagram illustrates how to determine whether a contingent coupon payment will be paid with respect to a quarterly valuation date. The second diagram illustrates how to determine whether the securities will be automatically redeemed following a valuation date (other than the final valuation date). The third diagram illustrates how to determine the payment at maturity if the securities are not automatically redeemed prior to maturity.
Diagram #1: Quarterly Contingent Coupon Payments
Diagram #2: Automatic Early Redemption
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Diagram #3: Payment at Maturity if No Automatic Early Redemption Occurs

For more information about contingent coupon payments and the payment upon an early automatic redemption or at maturity in different hypothetical scenarios, see "Hypothetical Examples" starting on page PS-6.

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Hypothetical Examples

The examples below illustrate how to determine whether a contingent coupon will be paid with respect to a quarterly valuation date, how to determine whether the securities will be automatically redeemed prior to maturity and how to calculate the payment at maturity on the securities if the securities are not automatically redeemed prior to maturity. You should understand that the term of the securities, and your opportunity to receive the contingent coupon payments on the securities, may be limited to as short as three months if the securities are automatically redeemed prior to the maturity date. For ease of analysis, figures in the examples below may have been rounded.

The examples below are based on the following hypothetical values and assumptions in order to illustrate how the securities work and do not reflect the actual initial share prices of any of the underlying shares or their applicable downside threshold prices, each of which will be determined on the pricing date:

Quarterly contingent coupon payment:

0.30 (3.00% of the stated principal amount) per security

With respect to the shares of common stock of Amazon.com, Inc., \$1,800.00

Hypothetical initial share price:

With respect to the shares of class A common stock of Alphabet Inc., \$1,200.00

With respect to the shares of common stock of Netflix, Inc., \$400.00

Hypothetical downside threshold price:

With respect to the shares of common stock of Amazon.com, Inc., \$990.00, which is

55% of their hypothetical initial share price

With respect to the shares of class A common stock of Alphabet Inc., \$660.00, which is 55% of their hypothetical initial share price

With respect to the shares of common stock of Netflix, Inc., \$220.00, which is 55% of their hypothetical initial share price

How to determine whether a contingent coupon is payable with respect to a quarterly valuation date and whether the securities are automatically redeemed following that valuation date:

	Hypothetical closing price of the shares of common stock of Amazon.com, Inc.	Hypothetical closing price of the shares of class A common stock of Alphabet Inc.	Hypothetical closing price of the shares of common stock of Netflix, Inc.	Hypothetical contingent coupon payment or payment upon automatic early redemption per security
	\$1,620.00	\$1,320.00	\$420.00	
Example 1	(share performance factor = \$1,620.00 / \$1,800.00 = 0.90)	(share performance factor = \$1,320.00 / \$1,200.00 = 1.10)	(share performance factor = \$420.00 / \$400.00 = 1.05)	\$0.30
	\$1,980.00	\$540.00	\$480.00	
Example 2	(share performance factor = \$1,980.00 / \$1,800.00 = 1.10)	(share performance factor = \$540.00 / \$1,200.00 = 0.45)	(share performance factor = \$480.00 / \$400.00 = 1.20)	\$0.00
	\$2,700.00	\$1,440.00	\$420.00	
Example 3	(share performance factor = \$2,700.00 / \$1,800.00 = 1.50)	(share performance factor = \$1,440.00 / \$1,200.00 = 1.20)	(share performance factor = \$420.00 / \$400.00 = 1.05)	\$10.30

Example 1: On the hypothetical valuation date, the shares of common stock of Amazon.com, Inc. have the lowest share performance factor and, therefore, are the worst performing underlying shares. In this scenario, the closing price of the worst performing underlying shares is **greater than** the applicable downside threshold price and, as a result, investors in the securities would receive the contingent coupon payment of \$0.30 per security on the related contingent coupon payment date. Because the closing price of the worst performing underlying shares is less than the applicable initial share price, the securities would not be automatically redeemed, even though the closing prices of the other underlying shares are greater than their respective initial share prices.

Example 2: On the hypothetical valuation date, the shares of class A common stock of Alphabet Inc. have the lowest share performance factor and, therefore, are the worst performing underlying shares. In this scenario, the closing price of the worst performing underlying shares is **less than** the applicable downside threshold price and, as a result,

investors would not receive any contingent coupon payment on the related contingent coupon payment date, even though the closing prices of the other underlying shares are greater than their respective initial share prices. In addition, because the closing price of the worst performing underlying shares is less than their initial share price, the securities would not be automatically redeemed following the hypothetical valuation date.

Investors in the securities will not receive a contingent coupon payment with respect to a valuation date if the closing price of the worst performing underlying shares on that valuation date is less than the applicable downside threshold price, even if the closing prices of the other underlying shares are greater than their respective downside threshold prices.

Example 3: On the hypothetical valuation date, the shares of common stock of Netflix, Inc. have the lowest share performance factor and, therefore, are the worst performing underlying shares. In this scenario, the closing price of the worst performing underlying shares is **greater than** the applicable initial share price, and the securities would be automatically redeemed on the related contingent coupon payment date

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for the early redemption payment, which is an amount in cash equal to the stated principal amount plus the related contingent coupon payment, or \$10.30 per security.

How to determine the payment at maturity on the securities if the securities are not earlier automatically redeemed:

	Hypothetical closing price of the shares of common stock of Amazon.com, Inc.	Hypothetical closing price of the shares of class A common stock of Alphabet Inc.	Hypothetical closing price of the shares of common stock of Netflix, Inc.	Hypothetical payment at maturity per security
	\$1,980.00	\$1,440.00	\$460.00	
Example 4	(share performance factor = \$1,980.00 / \$1,800.00 = 1.10)	(share performance factor = \$1,440.00 / \$1,200.00 = 1.20)	(share performance factor = \$460.00 / \$400.00 = 1.15)	\$10.30
	\$1,890.00	\$480.00	\$640.00	
Example 5	(share performance factor = \$1,890.00 / \$1,800.00 = 1.05)	(share performance factor = \$480.00 / \$1,200.00 = 0.40)	(share performance factor = \$640.00 / \$400.00 = 1.60)	\$4.00
	\$1,530.00	\$1,440.00	\$80.00	
Example 6	(share performance factor = \$1,530.00 / \$1,800.00 = 0.85)	(share performance factor = \$1,440.00 / \$1,200.00 = 1.20)	(share performance factor = \$80.00 / \$400.00 = 0.20)	\$2.00

Example 4: In this example, the shares of common stock of Amazon.com, Inc. are the worst performing underlying shares on the final valuation date. In this scenario, the final share price of the worst performing underlying shares on the final valuation date is **greater than** the applicable downside threshold price. Accordingly, at maturity, you would receive the stated principal amount of the securities *plus* the contingent coupon payment of \$0.30 per security, but you would not participate in the appreciation of any of the underlying shares even though all of the underlying shares have

appreciated from their respective initial share prices.

Example 5: In this example, the shares of class A common stock of Alphabet Inc. are the worst performing underlying shares on the final valuation date. In this scenario, the final share price of the worst performing underlying shares on the final valuation date is less than the applicable downside threshold price. Accordingly, at maturity, you would receive a payment per security calculated as follows:

Payment at maturity = $$10 \times $$ share performance factor of the shares of class A common stock of Alphabet Inc. on the final valuation date = $$10 \times 0.40 = 4.00

In this scenario, you would receive significantly less than the stated principal amount of your securities at maturity. You would incur a loss based on the performance of the worst performing underlying shares on the final valuation date, even though the final share prices of the other underlying shares are greater than their respective downside threshold prices.

Example 6: In this example, the shares of common stock of Netflix, Inc. are the worst performing underlying shares on the final valuation date and their final share price is less than the applicable downside threshold price. Accordingly, at maturity, you would receive a payment per security calculated as follows:

Payment at maturity = $$10 \times $$ share performance factor of the shares of common stock of Netflix, Inc. on the final valuation date = $$10 \times 0.20 = 2.00

In this scenario, because the closing price of the worst performing underlying shares on the final valuation date is less than the applicable downside threshold price, you would lose a significant portion of your investment in the securities, even though the final share prices of the other underlying shares are greater than their respective downside threshold prices.

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Summary Risk Factors

An investment in the securities is significantly riskier than an investment in conventional debt securities. The securities are subject to all of the risks associated with an investment in our conventional debt securities that are guaranteed by Citigroup Inc., including the risk that we and Citigroup Inc. may default on our obligations under the securities, and are also subject to risks associated with each of the underlying shares. Accordingly, the securities are suitable only for investors who are capable of understanding the complexities and risks of the securities. You should consult your own financial, tax and legal advisors as to the risks of an investment in the securities and the suitability of the securities in light of your particular circumstances.

The following is a summary of certain key risk factors for investors in the securities. You should read this summary together with the more detailed description of risks relating to an investment in the securities contained in the section "Risk Factors Relating to the Securities" beginning on page EA-6 in the accompanying product supplement. You should also carefully read the risk factors included in the accompanying prospectus supplement and in the documents incorporated by reference in the accompanying prospectus, including Citigroup Inc.'s most recent Annual Report on Form 10-K and any subsequent Quarterly Reports on Form 10-Q, which describe risks relating to the business of Citigroup Inc. more generally.

You may lose a significant portion or all of your investment. Unlike conventional debt securities, the securities do not provide for the repayment of the stated principal amount at maturity in all circumstances. If the securities are not automatically redeemed prior to maturity and the final share price of the worst performing underlying shares on the final valuation date is less than the applicable downside threshold price, you will lose a significant portion or all of your investment, based on a loss of 1% of the stated principal amount of the securities for every 1% by which the final share price of the worst performing underlying shares on the final valuation date is less than the applicable initial share price, regardless of the performance of the other underlying shares. There is no minimum payment at maturity on the securities, and you may lose up to all of your investment. If the final share price of any of the underlying shares is less than the applicable downside threshold price, you will be fully exposed to any depreciation of the worst performing underlying shares from their initial share price to their final share price.

You will not receive any contingent coupon payment for any quarter in which the closing price of the worst performing underlying shares on the related valuation date is less than the applicable downside threshold price. A contingent coupon payment will be made on a contingent coupon payment date if and only if the closing price of the worst performing underlying shares on the related valuation date is greater than or equal to the applicable downside threshold price. If the closing price of the worst performing underlying shares on any quarterly valuation date is less than the applicable downside threshold price, you will not receive any contingent coupon payment on the

related contingent coupon payment date, and if the closing price of the worst performing underlying shares is below the applicable downside threshold price on each valuation date, you will not receive any contingent coupon payments over the term of the securities. If the closing price of **any of the underlying shares** on any quarterly valuation date is less than the applicable downside threshold price, you will not receive any contingent coupon payment on the related contingent coupon payment date.

The securities are subject to the risks of all of the underlying shares and will be negatively affected if any one of the underlying shares performs poorly, even if the other underlying shares perform well. You are subject to risks associated with all of the underlying shares. If any one of the underlying shares performs poorly, you will be negatively affected, even if the other underlying shares perform well. The securities are not linked to a basket composed of the underlying shares, where the better performance of one or two could ameliorate the poor performance of the others. Instead, you are subject to the full risks of whichever of the underlying shares are the worst performing underlying shares on each valuation date.

You will not benefit in any way from the performance of the better performing underlying shares. The return on the securities depends solely on the performance of the worst performing underlying shares on each valuation date, and you will not benefit in any way from the performance of the better performing underlying shares. The securities may underperform a similar investment in all of the underlying shares or a similar alternative investment linked to a basket composed of the underlying shares, since in either such case the performance of the better performing underlying shares would be blended with the performance of the worst performing underlying shares, resulting in a better return than the return of the worst performing underlying shares.

You will be subject to risks relating to the relationship among the underlying shares. It is preferable from your perspective for the underlying shares to be correlated with each other, in the sense that they tend to increase or decrease at similar times and by similar magnitudes. By investing in the securities, you assume the risk that the underlying shares will not exhibit this relationship. The less correlated the underlying shares, the more likely it is that at least one of the underlying shares will perform poorly over the term of the securities. All that is necessary for the securities to perform poorly is for one of the underlying shares to perform poorly; the performance of any underlying shares that are not the worst performing underlying shares is not relevant to your return on the securities. It is impossible to predict what the relationship among the underlying shares will be over the term of the securities.

Higher contingent coupon rates are associated with greater risk. The securities offer contingent coupon payments at an annualized rate that, if all are paid, would produce a yield that is generally higher than the yield on our conventional debt securities of the same maturity. This higher potential yield is associated with greater levels of expected risk as of the pricing date for the securities, including the risk that you may not receive a contingent coupon payment on one or more, or any, contingent coupon payment dates and the risk

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that the securities will not be automatically redeemed and the amount you receive at maturity may be significantly less than the stated principal amount of your securities and may be zero. The volatility of and the correlation among the underlying shares are important factors affecting these risks. Greater expected volatility of, and lower expected correlation among, the underlying shares as of the pricing date may result in a higher contingent coupon rate, but would also represent a greater expected likelihood as of the pricing date that (i) the closing price of the worst performing underlying shares on one or more valuation dates will be less than the applicable downside threshold price, such that you will not receive one or more, or any, contingent coupon payments during the term of the securities, (ii) the closing price of the worst performing underlying shares on each valuation date will be less than the applicable initial share price, such that the securities are not automatically redeemed and (iii) the closing price of the worst performing underlying shares on the final valuation date will be less than the applicable downside threshold price, such that you will suffer a substantial loss of principal at maturity.

You may not be adequately compensated for assuming the downside risk of the worst performing underlying shares. The potential contingent coupon payments on the securities are the compensation you receive for assuming the downside risk of the worst performing underlying shares, as well as all the other risks of the securities. That compensation is effectively "at risk" and may, therefore, be less than you currently anticipate. First, the actual yield you realize on the securities could be lower than you anticipate because the coupon is "contingent" and you may not receive a contingent coupon payment on one or more, or any, of the contingent coupon payment dates. Second, the contingent coupon payments are the compensation you receive not only for the downside risk of the worst performing underlying shares on the final valuation date, but also for all of the other risks of the securities, including the risk that the securities may be automatically redeemed beginning approximately three months after the issue date, interest rate risk and our and/or Citigroup Inc.'s credit risk. If those other risks increase or are otherwise greater than you currently anticipate, the contingent coupon payments may turn out to be inadequate to compensate you for all the risks of the securities, including the downside risk of the worst performing underlying shares on the final valuation date.

The securities may be automatically redeemed prior to maturity, limiting your opportunity to receive contingent coupon payments. On any valuation date beginning approximately three months after issuance and prior to the final valuation date, the securities will be automatically redeemed if the closing price of the worst performing underlying shares on that valuation date is greater than or equal to the applicable initial share price. Thus, the term of the securities may be limited to as short as approximately three months. If the securities are redeemed prior to maturity, you will not receive any additional contingent coupon payments. Moreover, you may not be able to reinvest your funds in another investment that provides a similar yield with a similar level of risk.

The securities offer downside exposure to the worst performing underlying shares, but no upside exposure to the underlying shares. You will not participate in any appreciation in the price of any of the underlying shares over the term of the securities. Consequently, your return on the securities will be limited to the contingent coupon payments you receive, if any, and may be significantly less than the return on the underlying shares over the term of the securities. In addition, you will not receive any dividends or other distributions or have any other rights with

respect to the underlying shares over the term of the securities.

The performance of the securities will depend on the closing prices of the underlying shares solely on the relevant valuation dates, which makes the securities particularly sensitive to the volatility of the underlying shares. Whether the contingent coupon will be paid for any given quarter and whether the securities will be automatically redeemed prior to maturity will depend on the closing prices of the underlying shares solely on the applicable quarterly valuation dates, regardless of the closing prices of the underlying shares on other days during the term of the securities. If the securities are not automatically redeemed, what you receive at maturity will depend solely on the closing price of the worst performing underlying shares on the final valuation date, and not on any other day during the term of the securities. Because the performance of the securities depends on the closing prices of the underlying shares on a limited number of dates, the securities will be particularly sensitive to volatility in the closing prices of the underlying shares. You should understand that all of the underlying shares have historically been highly volatile.

The securities are subject to the credit risk of Citigroup Global Markets Holdings Inc. and Citigroup Inc. If we default on our obligations under the securities and Citigroup Inc. defaults on its guarantee obligations, you may not receive anything owed to you under the securities.

The securities will not be listed on any securities exchange and you may not be able to sell them prior to maturity. The securities will not be listed on any securities exchange. Therefore, there may be little or no secondary market for the securities. CGMI currently intends to make a secondary market in relation to the securities and to provide an indicative bid price for the securities on a daily basis. Any indicative bid price for the securities provided by CGMI will be determined in CGMI's sole discretion, taking into account prevailing market conditions and other relevant factors, and will not be a representation by CGMI that the securities can be sold at that price, or at all. CGMI may suspend or terminate making a market and providing indicative bid prices without notice, at any time and for any reason. If CGMI suspends or terminates making a market, there may be no secondary market at all for the securities because it is likely that CGMI will be the only broker-dealer that is willing to buy your securities prior to maturity. Accordingly, an investor must be prepared to hold the securities until maturity.

The estimated value of the securities on the pricing date, based on CGMI's proprietary pricing models and our internal funding rate, will be less than the issue price. The difference is attributable to certain costs associated with selling, structuring and hedging

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the securities that are included in the issue price. These costs include (i) the selling concessions and structuring fees paid in connection with the offering of the securities, (ii) hedging and other costs incurred by us and our affiliates in connection with the offering of the securities and (iii) the expected profit (which may be more or less than actual profit) to CGMI or other of our affiliates in connection with hedging our obligations under the securities. These costs adversely affect the economic terms of the securities because, if they were lower, the economic terms of the securities would be more favorable to you. The economic terms of the securities are also likely to be adversely affected by the use of our internal funding rate, rather than our secondary market rate, to price the securities. See "The estimated value of the securities would be lower if it were calculated based on our secondary market rate" below.

The estimated value of the securities was determined for us by our affiliate using proprietary pricing models.

CGMI derived the estimated value disclosed on the cover page of this pricing supplement from its proprietary pricing models. In doing so, it may have made discretionary judgments about the inputs to its models, such as the volatility of and correlation among the underlying shares, dividend yields on the underlying shares and interest rates. CGMI's views on these inputs may differ from your or others' views, and as an underwriter in this offering, CGMI's interests may conflict with yours. Both the models and the inputs to the models may prove to be wrong and therefore not an accurate reflection of the value of the securities. Moreover, the estimated value of the securities set forth on the cover page of this pricing supplement may differ from the value that we or our affiliates may determine for the securities for other purposes, including for accounting purposes. You should not invest in the securities because of the estimated value of the securities. Instead, you should be willing to hold the securities to maturity irrespective of the initial estimated value.

The estimated value of the securities would be lower if it were calculated based on our secondary market rate.

The estimated value of the securities included in this pricing supplement is calculated based on our internal funding rate, which is the rate at which we are willing to borrow funds through the issuance of the securities. Our internal funding rate is generally lower than our secondary market rate, which is the rate that CGMI will use in determining the value of the securities for purposes of any purchases of the securities from you in the secondary market. If the estimated value included in this pricing supplement were based on our secondary market rate, rather than our internal funding rate, it would likely be lower. We determine our internal funding rate based on factors such as the costs associated with the securities, which are generally higher than the costs associated with conventional debt securities, and our liquidity needs and preferences. Our internal funding rate is not the same as the coupon that is payable on the securities.

Because there is not an active market for traded instruments referencing our outstanding debt obligations, CGMI determines our secondary market rate based on the market price of traded instruments referencing the debt obligations of Citigroup Inc., our parent company and the guarantor of all payments due on the securities, but subject to adjustments that CGMI makes in its sole discretion. As a result, our secondary market rate is not a market-determined measure of our creditworthiness, but rather reflects the market's perception of our parent company's creditworthiness as adjusted for discretionary factors such as CGMI's preferences with respect to purchasing the securities prior to

maturity.

The estimated value of the securities is not an indication of the price, if any, at which CGMI or any other person may be willing to buy the securities from you in the secondary market. Any such secondary market price will fluctuate over the term of the securities based on the market and other factors described in the next risk factor. Moreover, unlike the estimated value included in this pricing supplement, any value of the securities determined for purposes of a secondary market transaction will be based on our secondary market rate, which will likely result in a lower value for the securities than if our internal funding rate were used. In addition, any secondary market price for the securities will be reduced by a bid-ask spread, which may vary depending on the aggregate stated principal amount of the securities to be purchased in the secondary market transaction, and the expected cost of unwinding related hedging transactions. As a result, it is likely that any secondary market price for the securities will be less than the issue price.

The value of the securities prior to maturity will fluctuate based on many unpredictable factors. The value of your securities prior to maturity will fluctuate based on the price and volatility of the underlying shares and a number of other factors, including the correlation among the underlying shares, dividend yields on the underlying shares, interest rates generally, the time remaining to maturity and our and/or Citigroup Inc.'s creditworthiness, as reflected in our secondary market rate. Changes in the prices of the underlying shares may not result in a comparable change in the value of your securities. You should understand that the value of your securities at any time prior to maturity may be significantly less than the issue price.

Immediately following issuance, any secondary market bid price provided by CGMI, and the value that will be indicated on any brokerage account statements prepared by CGMI or its affiliates, will reflect a temporary upward adjustment. The amount of this temporary upward adjustment will steadily decline to zero over the temporary adjustment period. See "Valuation of the Securities" in this pricing supplement.

Our offering of the securities does not constitute a recommendation of any of the underlying shares. The fact that we are offering the securities does not mean that we believe that investing in an instrument linked to the underlying shares is likely to achieve favorable returns. In fact, as we are part of a global financial institution, our affiliates may have positions (including short positions) in the underlying shares or in instruments related to the underlying shares and may publish research or express opinions, that in each case are inconsistent with an investment linked to the underlying shares. These and other activities of our affiliates may affect the prices of the underlying shares in a way that has a negative impact on your interests as a holder of the securities.

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The prices of the underlying shares may be adversely affected by our or our affiliates' hedging and other trading activities. We expect to hedge our obligations under the securities through CGMI or other of our affiliates, who may take positions directly in the underlying shares and other financial instruments related to the underlying shares and other financial instruments related to the underlying shares and other financial instruments related to the underlying shares on a regular basis (taking long or short positions or both), for their accounts, for other accounts under their management or to facilitate transactions on behalf of customers. These activities could affect the prices of the underlying shares in a way that negatively affects the value of the securities. They could also result in substantial returns for us or our affiliates while the value of the securities declines.

We and our affiliates may have economic interests that are adverse to yours as a result of our affiliates' business activities. Our affiliates may currently or from time to time engage in business with the underlying share issuers, including extending loans to, making equity investments in or providing advisory services to those issuers. In the course of this business, we or our affiliates may acquire non-public information about the underlying share issuers, which we will not disclose to you. Moreover, if any of our affiliates is or becomes a creditor of any such issuer, they may exercise any remedies against that issuer that are available to them without regard to your interests.

You will have no rights and will not receive dividends with respect to the underlying shares. As of July 12, 2018, none of the underlying share issuers pay regular dividends. However, that may change, and if any of the underlying share issuers start to pay dividends during the term of the securities, you should understand that you will not receive such dividend payments under the securities. In addition, if any change to the underlying shares is proposed, such as an amendment to any underlying share issuer's organizational documents, you will not have the right to vote on such change. Any such change may adversely affect the market price of the applicable underlying shares.

Even if any underlying share issuer pays a dividend that it identifies as special or extraordinary, no adjustment will be required under the securities for that dividend unless it meets the criteria specified in the accompanying product supplement. In general, an adjustment will not be made under the terms of the securities for any cash dividend paid on any of the underlying shares unless the amount of the dividend per underlying share, together with any other dividends paid in the same fiscal quarter, exceeds the dividend paid per underlying share in the most recent fiscal quarter by an amount equal to at least 10% of the closing price of the applicable underlying shares on the date of declaration of the dividend. Any dividend will reduce the closing price of the applicable underlying shares by the amount of the dividend per underlying share. If the applicable underlying share issuer pays any dividend for which an adjustment is not made under the terms of the securities, holders of the securities may be adversely affected. See "Description of the Securities—Certain Additional Terms for Securities Linked to Company Shares or ETF Shares—Dilution and Reorganization Adjustments—Certain Extraordinary Cash Dividends" in the accompanying product supplement.

The securities will not be adjusted for all events that could affect the price of any of the underlying shares. For example, we will not make any adjustment for ordinary dividends or extraordinary dividends that do not meet the criteria described above, partial tender offers or additional public offerings of the underlying shares. Moreover, the adjustments we do make may not fully offset the dilutive or adverse effect of the particular event. Investors in the securities may be adversely affected by such an event in a circumstance in which a direct holder of any of the underlying shares would not.

If any of the underlying shares are delisted, we may call the securities prior to maturity for an amount that may be less than the stated principal amount. If we exercise this call right, you will receive the amount described under "Description of the Securities—Certain Additional Terms for Securities Linked to Company Shares or ETF Shares—Delisting of Company Shares" in the accompanying product supplement. This amount may be less, and possibly significantly less, than the stated principal amount of the securities.

The securities may become linked to shares of an issuer other than one of the original underlying share issuers upon the occurrence of a reorganization event or upon the delisting of any of the underlying shares. For example, if any underlying share issuer enters into a merger agreement that provides for holders of the applicable underlying shares to receive stock of another entity, the stock of such other entity will become the applicable underlying shares for all purposes of the securities upon consummation of the merger. Additionally, if the applicable underlying shares are delisted and we do not exercise our call right, the calculation agent may, in its sole discretion, select shares of another issuer to be the applicable underlying shares. See "Description of the Securities—Certain Additional Terms for Securities Linked to Company Shares or ETF Shares—Dilution and Reorganization Adjustments," and "—Delisting of Company Shares" in the accompanying product supplement.

The calculation agent, which is an affiliate of ours, will make important determinations with respect to the securities. If certain events occur, such as market disruption events, corporate events with respect to any of the underlying share issuers that may require a dilution adjustment or the delisting of the applicable underlying shares, CGMI, as calculation agent, will be required to make discretionary judgments that could significantly affect your return on the securities. In making these judgments, the calculation agent's interests as an affiliate of ours could be adverse to your interests as a holder of the securities.

The U.S. federal tax consequences of an investment in the securities are unclear. There is no direct legal authority regarding the proper U.S. federal tax treatment of the securities, and we do not plan to request a ruling from the Internal Revenue Service (the "IRS"). Consequently, significant aspects of the tax treatment of the securities are uncertain, and the IRS or a court might not agree with the

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treatment of the securities as described in "United States Federal Tax Considerations" below. If the IRS were successful in asserting an alternative treatment, the tax consequences of ownership and disposition of the securities might be materially and adversely affected. Moreover, as described in the accompanying product supplement under "United States Federal Tax Considerations," in 2007 the U.S. Treasury Department and the IRS released a notice requesting comments on various issues regarding the U.S. federal income tax treatment of "prepaid forward contracts" and similar instruments. While it is not clear whether the securities would be viewed as similar to the typical prepaid forward contract described in the notice, it is possible that any Treasury regulations or other guidance promulgated after consideration of these issues could materially and adversely affect the tax consequences of an investment in the securities, including the character and timing of income or loss recognized by U.S. investors, possibly with retroactive effect. You should read carefully the discussion under "United States Federal Tax Considerations" and "Risk Factors Relating to the Securities" in the accompanying product supplement and "United States Federal Tax Considerations" in this pricing supplement. You should also consult your tax adviser regarding the U.S. federal tax consequences of an investment in the securities, as well as tax consequences arising under the laws of any state, local or non-U.S. taxing jurisdiction.

Non-U.S. investors should note that persons having withholding responsibility in respect of the securities may withhold on any coupon payment paid to a non-U.S. investor, generally at a rate of 30%. To the extent that we have withholding responsibility in respect of the securities, we intend to so withhold.

In addition, Section 871(m) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, as amended (the "Code"), imposes a withholding tax of up to 30% on "dividend equivalents" paid or deemed paid to non-U.S. investors in respect of certain financial instruments linked to U.S. equities. In light of Treasury regulations, as modified by an IRS notice, that provide a general exemption for financial instruments issued in 2018 that do not have a "delta" of one, as of the date of this preliminary pricing supplement the securities should not be subject to withholding under Section 871(m). However, information about the application of Section 871(m) to the securities will be updated in the final pricing supplement. Moreover, the IRS could challenge a conclusion that the securities should not be subject to withholding under Section 871(m).

We will not be required to pay any additional amounts with respect to amounts withheld.