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COUNCIL RESOLUTION ON OECD REFORM

(adopted by the Council at its 1054th session on 24 April 2003 [C/M(2003)9])
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Recalling the Chair’s summary of the Executive Committee in Special Session discussion of reform on 12-13 March 2003;

Recalling Council’s invitation to the Executive Committee to review the principles and rules for establishing the scale of Members’ contributions to the budget and to report by the end of 2003 [C/M(2003)6 of 20 March 2003];

Affirming the need to maintain the momentum of the existing reform process in order to enhance the OECD’s value to its Membership and its partners throughout the world;

Noting the Secretary-General’s report on Reform and Modernisation of the OECD [C/MIN(2003)6];

CONFIRMS the following programme:

− by the summer break, initial work on the Organisation’s committee structure, on identifying priorities and core activities, and on its role in the global architecture should be completed;

− by Autumn 2003, Members should complete the priority-setting exercise and Committee streamlining and address decision-making rules, the Organisation’s enlargement strategy, and its relations with non-members;

− from 2004 onwards, new evaluation processes should be implemented for the work programme, budget and organisational structures;

− by Spring 2004, Members should prepare for in-depth discussions on key elements of the reform agenda. These issues should have advanced sufficiently to enable presentation of a Council report and, as appropriate, recommendations to Ministers at their annual meeting;

DECIDES that this Resolution be conveyed to Ministers for consideration during their discussion of reform scheduled for 30 April 2003.