COUNCIL

SUMMARY RECORD OF THE 1185th SESSION

held at the Château de la Muette, Paris,
on Thursday, 4 December 2008.
297. ADOPTION OF THE AGENDA

THE COUNCIL

a) noted the remarks by the Chair announcing that a Room Document No. 1 entitled “PWB 2009-10: Statement by the Secretary-General” is being tabled, and that some modifications to the list of “a” points were made following the meetings of the Budget Committee of 2 December and the Executive Committee of 3 December (see revised Annex to the draft Agenda circulated in session);

b) noted also the Chair’s intention to give the floor, at the end of the PWB discussion, to the Permanent Representative of Italy, who requested to make an intervention on Enhanced Engagement;

c) adopted the draft Agenda for its 1185th session [C/A(2008)21/PROV] as amended.

298. APPROVAL OF THE SUMMARY RECORD OF THE 1184th SESSION

THE COUNCIL

approved the Summary Record of its 1184th session [C/M(2008)20/PROV].

299. ACTIVITY REPORT BY THE SECRETARY-GENERAL

THE COUNCIL

noted the report by the Secretary-General.

300. THE PROGRAMME OF WORK AND BUDGET FOR 2009-10: THE SECRETARY-GENERAL’S SUBMISSION

THE COUNCIL

a) noted Room Document No. 1 and the introductory remarks by the Secretary-General [for reference, see also C(2008)164, C(2008)164/PARTII & ADD1-4, C(2008)164/SO1-6];

b) noted the comments by the Chair of the Budget Committee and by the Chair of the External Relations Committee;

c) noted the comments by Members of the Council and the replies from the Secretary-General and the Secretariat;

d) invited the Budget Committee to pursue its review of the draft 2009-2010 PWB, taking into account the Council discussions;

e) agreed to return to the 2009-10 PWB proposals, in the light of the Budget Committee report, for adoption, at its 18 December 2008 session;

f) noted also the intervention by Italy on Enhanced Engagement, and the comments by Japan on this question.
ITEMS 301-311 APPROVED WITHOUT DEBATE (“A” POINTS)

301. EGYPT: PARTICIPATION AS A REGULAR OBSERVER IN THE PUBLIC GOVERNANCE COMMITTEE AND ITS SUBSIDIARY BODIES

THE COUNCIL

a) noted document C(2008)195;

b) agreed, in conformity with the provisions of Council Resolution C(2004)132/FINAL, to invite Egypt to participate as a regular Observer in the work of the Public Governance Committee and its subsidiary bodies until 31 December 2010, or until the termination of the Committee’s mandate, whichever comes first.

302. 2009 PRE-ACCESSION BUDGET

THE COUNCIL

a) noted document C(2008)207/REV1;

b) authorised the appropriations for Pre-Accession as follows:

ANNEX BUDGET – ENLARGEMENT AND ENHANCED ENGAGEMENT

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c) agreed that the estimates of income for the Financial Year 2009 for this Annex Budget amount to EUR 13 379 439 in the Budget of the Organisation, as indicated in point b) above.

303. RENEWAL OF THE MANDATE OF THE EMPLOYMENT, LABOUR AND SOCIAL AFFAIRS COMMITTEE

THE COUNCIL

a) noted document C(2008)199;

b) agreed to renew the existing mandate of the Employment, Labour and Social Affairs Committee until 30 June 2010.

304. REVISION OF THE MANDATE OF THE FISHERIES COMMITTEE
THE COUNCIL

a) noted document C(2008)193/REV1;

b) adopted the draft Resolution concerning the mandate of the Fisheries Committee as set out in the Annex to document C(2008)193/REV1.

305. RENEWAL OF THE MANDATE OF THE ANNUAL MEETING OF SUSTAINABLE DEVELOPMENT EXPERTS

THE COUNCIL

a) noted document C(2008)181;

b) agreed that the mandate for the Annual Meeting of Sustainable Development Experts (AMSDE) set out in the Annex to C(2008)181 will take effect on 1 January 2009 and remain in force until 31 December 2010, when the Council will decide in what form, if any, the work on sustainable development should continue.

306. REVISION OF THE MANDATE OF THE PROGRAMME ON INSTITUTIONAL MANAGEMENT IN HIGHER EDUCATION (IMHE)

THE COUNCIL

a) noted document C(2008)198/REV1;

b) invited the Education Policy Committee and the IMHE Governing Board to review, before the end of 2011, the effectiveness and appropriateness of the relationship between them and the Group of National Experts on the AHELO Feasibility Study;

c) adopted the draft Resolution concerning the mandate of the Programme on Institutional Management in Higher Education as set out in the Annex to document C(2008)198/REV1.

307. 2008 REPORT ON THE OECD GUIDELINES FOR MULTINATIONAL ENTERPRISES

THE COUNCIL

a) noted document C(2008)170 and its CORR1;

b) welcomed National Contact Points’ (NCPs) increased efforts to strengthen the effectiveness of the OECD Guidelines for Multinational Enterprises;

c) encouraged adhering governments to ensure that NCPs have adequate resources to sustain these efforts;

d) agreed to the declassification of document C(2008)170.
308. EXTENSION OF THE MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING FOR THE OECD-BUDAPEST MULTILATERAL TAX CENTRE

THE COUNCIL

a) noted document C(2008)201;

b) noted the draft Memorandum of Understanding to renew the operation of the OECD-Budapest Multilateral Tax Centre until 31 December 2011, set out in the Appendix to document C(2008)201.

309. ISRAEL: PARTICIPATION IN THE OECD WORKING GROUP ON BRIBERY IN INTERNATIONAL BUSINESS TRANSACTIONS

THE COUNCIL

a) noted document C(2008)180;

b) agreed, in conformity with the Roadmap for the Accession of Israel to the OECD Convention [C(2007)102/FINAL] and Council conclusions on enlargement [C(2004)1 and CORR1, C/M(2004)2], to invite Israel to:

(i) adhere, with the same rights and obligations as OECD Member countries, to the 1997 Revised Recommendation of the Council on Combating Bribery [C(97)123/FINAL], the 1996 Recommendation on the Tax Deductibility of Bribes of Foreign Public Officials [C(96)27/FINAL], the 2006 Recommendation on Bribery and Officially Supported Export Credits [C(2006)163] and any subsequent amendment or revision thereto or any new Recommendation replacing one of the above Recommendations;

(ii) become a full participant, on the same basis as Member countries, in the Working Group on Bribery in International Business Transactions and to contribute financially to such activities in conformity with the terms and conditions set out by the Council;

c) requested the Secretary-General to take the necessary measures to carry out the above invitation on the basis of the terms and conditions set out in paragraph 15 of document C(2008)180.

310. APPOINTMENT OF THE CHAIRMAN OF THE ECONOMIC AND DEVELOPMENT REVIEW COMMITTEE AS A COUNCIL EXPERT

THE COUNCIL

a) noted document C(2008)205/REV1;

b) decided to appoint Mr. White as a “Council Expert” for the duration of his tenure as EDRC Chair, with the understanding that the two points set out in paragraph 7 of document C(2008)205/REV1 are part of this decision;
c) invited the Secretary-General, subject to the adoption of the 2009-2010 Programme of Work and Budget, to take the necessary measures for the implementation the decision set out in b) above.

311. PROGRESS REPORT ON THE HUMAN RESOURCE MANAGEMENT REFORM PACKAGE – NOVEMBER 2008

THE COUNCIL

a) noted document C(2008)203;

b) reaffirmed its commitment to the implementation of the Human Resource Management Reform Package;

c) invited the Secretariat to continue working on the detailed proposals to implement the Human Resource Management Reform Package.

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312. OECD COMMUNICATIONS ORIENTATIONS - DECEMBER 2008

THE COUNCIL

a) noted document C(2008)200, and the introductory remarks by the Chair of the Committee on Public Affairs and Communications (CPAC) and by the Secretariat (see also PowerPoint presentation posted on the EDG);

b) noted the comments, including on the Media Guidelines, made by Members of the Council and the Secretary-General;

c) invited the CPAC to monitor progress in the output delivery of OECD communications;

d) welcomed the Secretary-General’s initiative to upgrade OECD communications in light of the evolving role of the Organisation.

313. OTHER BUSINESS

THE COUNCIL

i) 2009 MCM Chair

a) noted the remarks by the Secretary-General regarding the invitation addressed to the Korean Prime Minister concerning the chairmanship of next year’s MCM;

ii) Joint IEA Governing Board/Council lunch – 17 December

b) noted the remarks by the Chair related to the confirmation of the joint lunch of the Council and the IEA Governing Board members announced on 4 November [C/M(2008)19, Item 269];
c) noted the comments by Belgium and the reply by the Chair on the themes for that event;

iii) Next session

d) agreed to hold its next session on Thursday, 18 December 2008, and noted the provisional draft agenda distributed in session.

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DOCUMENTS APPROVED UNDER THE WRITTEN PROCEDURE

The following conclusions were approved by the Council under the written procedure on 18 November 2008 [CES/PE(2008)11]:


THE COUNCIL

   a) noted document C(2008)156;

   b) noted the amendments to Appendices 3, 4 and 8 of its Decision on the Control of Transboundary Movements of Wastes Destined for Recovery Operations [C(2001)107/FINAL] described in Section I of document C(2008)156;


315. CENTRE FOR EDUCATIONAL RESEARCH AND INNOVATION: APPOINTMENT OF A MEMBER OF THE GOVERNING BOARD

THE COUNCIL

   a) noted document C(2008)165;

   b) adopted the draft Resolution appointing a Member of the Governing Board of the Centre for Educational Research and Innovation set out in the Annex II to document C(2008)165.

316. SYSTEM OF DAILY SUBSISTENCE ALLOWANCE - 189th REPORT FROM CCR

THE COUNCIL


and on 29 November 2008 [CES/PE(2008)12]:

**317. PROPOSAL FOR THE ADMISSION OF BURKINA FASO TO THE OECD SCHEME FOR THE CERTIFICATION OF FOREST REPRODUCTIVE MATERIAL MOVING IN INTERNATIONAL TRADE**

THE COUNCIL

a) noted document C(2008)184;

b) adopted the draft Decision set out in the Annex to document C(2008)184 concerning the admission of Burkina Faso to the OECD Scheme for the Certification of Forest Reproductive Material Moving in International Trade.

**318. PROPOSAL FOR THE ADMISSION OF SERBIA TO THE OECD SCHEME FOR THE CERTIFICATION OF FOREST REPRODUCTIVE MATERIAL MOVING IN INTERNATIONAL TRADE**

THE COUNCIL

a) noted document C(2008)185;

b) adopted the draft Decision set out in the Annex to document C(2008)185 concerning the admission of Serbia to the OECD Scheme for the Certification of Forest Reproductive Material Moving in International trade.

**319. PROPOSAL FOR THE ADMISSION OF CROATIA TO THE OECD SCHEME FOR THE CERTIFICATION OF FOREST REPRODUCTIVE MATERIAL MOVING IN INTERNATIONAL TRADE**

THE COUNCIL

a) noted document C(2008)186;

b) adopted the draft Decision set out in the Annex to document C(2008)186 concerning the admission of Croatia to the OECD Scheme for the Certification of Forest Reproductive Material Moving in International trade.
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