ITEMS DEALT WITH THROUGH WRITTEN PROCEDURE SINCE THE 95TH SESSION OF THE CERI GOVERNING BOARD – 17-18 NOVEMBER 2016

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The Governing Board is invited to NOTE this document.

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1. Written procedure using the e-mail, OLIS and the CERI Communities (Clearspace) Portal is a useful tool for:
   - Engaging in dialogue and discussions between plenary sessions of the Committee to advance work quickly;
   - Ensuring that a maximum amount of time in the plenary sessions is devoted to a discussion of the content of work rather than process issues.

2. Periodically a document is tabled a plenary session of the CERI Governing Board (GB), listing items handled by written procedure. These items are incorporated into the subsequent Summary Record as an Annex.

3. In consequence, the Board is invited to NOTE the items below to be included as an Annex to the Summary Record of the 96th Session of the CERI Governing Board.

Accession of the Republic of Latvia to CERI

4. Following Latvia’s presence at the last CERI GB meetings and several informal exchanges Latvia has been formally invited to join the CERI GB. By letter of 14 December State Secretary Līga Lejiņa has confirmed their wish to become a member of the CERI GB.

5. An email was sent to CERI Governing Board members on 20 December 2016 with details on the provisions for Latvia joining CERI. Approval by written procedure had a deadline of 6 January 2017.

6. Following this date, there were no objections by the Board to Latvia joining CERI and the Budget Committee met on 25 January 2017 and approved the supplementary budget for CERI reflecting Latvia’s accession.

Approval of the nomination of CERI Governing Board members

7. By letter of 19 December 2016 Andreas Schleicher, Director for Education and Skills, asked countries participating in the Centre for Educational Research and Innovation to propose national experts for the Governing Board according to the procedure laid out in the new CERI mandate for 2017-2021. The deadline for proposals was 23 January 2017. Following this date, apart from Chile, Israel and Latvia, a list of nominees received was then drawn up sent to the previous CERI Board by email seeking their approval by written procedure with a deadline of 10 February 2017. As there were no objections, the nominations became official and the OECD Bodies Book was updated on 22 February 2017.

8. Following the initial confirmation of Board members mentioned in paragraph 7 above, there were subsequent nominations and changes to the members. An email sent by Dirk Van Damme, Head of the IMEP Division, announced the nominations from Iceland, Israel, Latvia, and Poland. In addition, the
Flemish community of Belgium had presented their nomination for the replacement of their current member, Ms. Micheline Scheys, whose last meeting as Board member will be 4-5 April 2017. The deadline for approval of these five nominations was 17 March. There were no objections to these nominations and the new members from the first four countries mentioned above were updated in the Bodies Book. The future member from the Flemish community of Belgium will be included in the Bodies Book as of 6 April 2017.