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## **DRAFT LEGAL MANDATE OF THE PUBLIC MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE**

THE COUNCIL,

Having regard to Articles 1 and 2 of the Convention on the Organisation for Economic Co-operation and Development of 14th December 1960;

Having regard to the Resolution of the Council amending the name and the Mandate of the Technical Co-operation Committee of 23<sup>rd</sup> June 1989 [C(89)92(Final)] and the mandate renewal resolution of 23<sup>rd</sup> June 1994 [C(94)125/Final];

Having regard to the Rules of Procedure of the Organisation and in particular to paragraph 4 of the Annex thereto;

Considering that, in a period of globalisation, societal change and decentralisation, the role of government and governance is being transformed;

Recognising the importance of good governance as an essential element in strengthening pluralistic democracy, promoting sustainable development and in maintaining confidence in public administration;

Recognising the importance of quality public management in ensuring policy effectiveness, economic efficiency, sound fiscal balances and in maximising the quality of government expenditure;

Considering the central position of the public sector as both an agent for achieving structural adjustment and international competitiveness, as well as a subject for reform itself, and the increasing attention being paid to its reform and effective management in Member countries and through the OECD's programme of multilateral surveillance;

Considering the statement of the Public Management Committee on the PUMA Mandate which sets out how PUMA will contribute to Member countries economic and social policy objectives [PUMA(99)7/REV1];

DECIDES:

1. The Public Management Committee is responsible for designing and implementing a programme
  - to identify and help address the emerging forces and trends which constitute strategic governance challenges;
  - to assist Members and non Members to raise the performance of their public institutions so that they are better equipped to manage those forces;
  - to focus on key elements of good governance framework including : developing capacities for more coherent and globalised policies, delivering on policy commitments in a changing world, institutionalising transparency, honesty and accountability in government, intervening effectively in society and markets to achieve public policies and promote competition as well as social cohesion.

2. In carrying out its responsibilities, the Committee shall:
  - i. direct a concentrated programme on governance and public management which contributes to the OECD Member countries' economic and social policy objectives, especially to improving the effectiveness, efficiency, transparency and accountability of public institutions;
  - ii. contribute a governance and public management perspective on major policy concerns addressed by the Organisation including horizontal activities;
  - iii. follow, assess, and report on key developments in governance and public sector management in Member and, as appropriate, non-Member countries;
  - iv. continue to provide a forum for exchanges of experience among senior practitioners involved in improving public management;
  - v. better share results of its work with interested non-Member countries and other relevant international organisations and institutions;
  - vi. maintain close working relationships with other relevant bodies of the Organisation, and take into account the work of national and international institutions.
  
3. These terms of reference shall remain in force until 31st December 2004. During this period the Committee shall continue to report annually to the Council on its activities. The Committee will review progress in achieving the goals of the mandate at the mid-point of the mandate.