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**RENEWAL OF THE MANDATE OF THE EMPLOYMENT, LABOUR AND SOCIAL AFFAIRS
COMMITTEE (ELSAC)**

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1. The mandate of the Employment, Labour and Social Affairs Committee, reproduced in the Annex hereto, is due to expire on 31 December 2008.
2. The In-depth Evaluation of the Committee will be initiated in early 2009. The results will be discussed initially by the Executive Committee and it is expected that the recommendations will be presented to the Council for approval in the first half of 2010.
3. At the meeting of the Employment, Labour and Social Affairs Committee (ELSAC) on 10 April 2008, the Committee agreed to propose to Council that the mandate of the Committee, and its subsidiary bodies, (the Working Party on Employment and the Working Party on Social Policy), be extended for eighteen months, until 30 June 2010. The recommendations of the In-Depth Evaluation could then be fully taken into account by ELSAC insofar as these are relevant to the revision of its mandate, and by the Council, when considering a revised mandate in the first half of 2010.
4. In the light of the preceding, the Secretary-General invites the Council to adopt the following draft conclusions:

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.

ANNEX

MANDATE OF THE EMPLOYMENT, LABOUR AND SOCIAL AFFAIRS COMMITTEE

[extract from the 2008 Directory of Bodies of the OECD, pp. 355-356]

- Mandate:
- Paragraph 35 of the Report of the Preparatory Committee
 - Minutes of the 543rd Meeting of the Council [C/M(81)15(Final)]
 - Minutes of the 761st meeting of the Council [C/M(91)14/FINAL]
 - Council Decision regarding a Sunset Clause for all Committees [C/M(2004)5, item 75] entered into force on 22 April 2004 [C/M(2004)10, item 143, IV, c)]

Paragraph 35 of the Report of the Preparatory Committee

"35. The Preparatory Committee recommend the creation of a Manpower Committee to deal with manpower questions connected with the general objectives of the Organisation and those social questions which are closely linked with manpower problems. This Committee would also continue the work of the OEEC in connection with manpower movements in Europe. The Committee could, if the Council so instructed it, carry out certain operational tasks."

Extract from the Minutes of the Council [C/M(81)15(Final) Item 154 i)]

"THE COUNCIL

[...]

(154) i) noted that overall programme co-ordination of the work of the Organisation in the field of manpower, social affairs and education will be ensured, when appropriate, by joint meetings of the Bureaux of the bodies concerned as well as by the setting up on an ad hoc basis of Joint Working Parties."

Extract from the Minutes of the Council [C/M(91)14 FINAL Item 130 b)]

"THE COUNCIL

[...]

(130) b) agreed that the Manpower and Social Affairs Committee shall in future be called "The Employment, Labour and Social Affairs Committee" and instructed the Secretary-General to issue the necessary amendment to paragraph 19 of the Annex to the Rules of Procedure