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## PROVISIONAL AGENDA\*

*Wednesday, 28 October 1998*

### ***09.30 - 09.50      Opening Remarks and Actions***

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| <b>1.</b> | <b>Adoption of the Agenda</b>                                 | PUMA/A(98)2 |
| <b>2.</b> | <b>Approval of the Summary Record of the Previous Meeting</b> | PUMA/M(98)1 |
| <b>3.</b> | <b>Election of a fourth Vice-Chair</b>                        |             |

### ***09.50 - 13.00***

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| <b>4.</b> | <b>Report by the Head of Service</b>              |  |
| <b>5.</b> | <b>Committee Policy and Programme Development</b> |  |
|           | a) Country Reviews on Budgeting and Management    |  |

### ***15.00 - 18.00***

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| <b>5.</b> | <b>Committee Policy and Programme Development (continued)</b> |  |
|           | b) Making Citizens' Choice Effective                          |  |
|           | c) Ethics Management  |  |
| <b>6.</b> | <b>Country Presentation</b>                                   |  |

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\* This agenda may need to be modified in the light of preparations for the 1999-2000 Programme of Work and Budget. A revised agenda will be issued at the beginning of October.

*Thursday 29 October 1998*

***09.00 - 13.00***

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**7. Committee Responsiveness to Political Interest**

**8. PUMA Contributions to OECD Corporate Objectives**

**9. Committee Decisions**

- a) Report on BIAC Consultation
- b) Business Survey Results
- c) Regulatory Reform Country Reviews
- d) Communications
- e) Performance Contracting

***14.30 - 16.30***

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**10. Promising Practices**

**11. Outreach - Oral Briefing**

**12. Other Business**

## **NOTES ON THE AGENDA**

### ***Objectives***

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The main purpose of the meeting will be to agree on the content, scope and methods of work for three major Committee activities in the 1999-2000 period (Item 5). The Committee will be asked to explore the issues to be covered and agree on the substantive framework.

We will also review ways to further develop and maintain political interest in the issues covered by the Committee including when it should hold its next meeting or symposium at ministerial level (Item 7).

Approval will be requested for the first chapters contributed by PUMA to the OECD Regulatory Reviews of Japan, Mexico, Netherlands, United States. This meeting will be an occasion to take stock of the Committee's present and future contributions to the Organisation's corporate goals.

The regular opportunity for learning of new country initiatives and innovations will be provided (Items 6 and 9).

### ***Timing:***

***Day 1: Items 1-6 (Item 6 will start latest by 17h00)***

***Day 2: Items 7-12 (Item 9 will start at 12h00)***

### ***Item 3 - Election of a fourth Vice-Chair***

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Given the increase in membership and in order to promote wider involvement and ensure continuity, it is proposed to activate the Committee decision to elect, if appropriate a 4th vice-chair.

### ***Item 4 - Report by the Head of Service***

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He will report on important future issues, programme developments and the current situation as regards the 1999 Programme of Work and Budget. There will be an opportunity for Committee discussion on these or any other items that Committee members may wish to raise.

### ***Item 5 - Committee Policy and Programme Development***

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Countries are invited to come prepared to describe the issues they would like to see treated under each of the 3 major projects to be discussed. This full review of the substance is necessary to ensure that we get the project design right. We will also need feedback on the methods of work proposed, especially Items 5b) and 5c).

A fixed term two year mandate for a Working Party on Ethics management will be submitted for approval. Its business will be completed with the report back to Ministers in Spring 2000.

### ***Item 7 - Committee Responsiveness to Political Interest***

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We will consider various ways by which the Committee can help to get political attention to focus on relevant issues of public management. This will include reviewing alternative themes for a future ministerial meeting or symposium and when that might usefully take place.

### ***Item 8 - PUMA Contributions to OECD Corporate Objectives***

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We will review progress in integrating PUMA in the Organisation and its present and potential substantive contribution to corporate objectives. There will be a Room Document for reference.

### ***Item 9 - Committee Decisions***

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#### **a) Report on BIAC Consultation**

This will cover the first consultation of the Committee Officers with the OECD Business and Industry Advisory Committee, which has expressed much interest in both administrative and regulatory reform.

#### **b) Business Survey Results**

This will be a first progress report, on the basis of which the Committee will be asked to approve continuation.

#### **c) Regulatory Reform Country Reviews**

PUMA chapters for the Regulatory Reform Reviews of Japan, Mexico, Netherlands and United States will be submitted for final review and comment before being incorporated in the full Review Report. They will already have been considered by the PUMA Regulatory Management and Reform Group on 29-30 June 1998 and 22-23 October 1998.

#### **d) Communications**

The Committee's Communications Group will report on new initiatives to provide better access to PUMA work.

#### **e) Performance Contracting**

Committee approval for publication of this report will be requested.

### ***Item 10 - Promising Practices***

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The Committee Offices will invite selected delegates to present "promising practices" based on their country factsheets, in a one-hour session with some time for questions.

***Item 11 - Outreach - Oral Briefing***

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A briefing will be given on current contacts and notably the status of the Emerging Market Economy Forum Seminar on 11-12 December 1998.