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Agenda (Final)

Purpose: Consideration
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Competition Policy and Deregulation Group
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**APEC
COMPETITION POLICY AND DEREGULATION GROUP
ANNUAL MEETING**

**PUCON, CHILE
May 27th, 2004**

09:00 – 11:00

- Adoption of the agenda
- Convenor's opening remarks
- Dialogue with CTI

11:00 – 11:15

Coffee break

11:15 – 13:00

- Issues related to instructions from the Leaders, Ministers and SOM
- Report on projects related to competition or deregulation
- TILF issues: presentation of projects for CPDG approval

13:00-15:00

Lunch break

15:00 – 16:00

- Collaboration with other international institutions
- Research, analysis and other activities as developed by member economies

16:00-16:15

Coffee break

16:15-16:45

- Summary and conclusions

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DRAFT ANNOTATED AGENDA

1. ADOPTION OF THE AGENDA

The agenda will be proposed for adoption by the CPDG.

2. CONVENOR'S OPENING REMARKS

The Convenor will report on developments since the last CPDG meeting held in May 2003 in Khon Kaen, Thailand.

3. DIALOGUE WITH CTI

A representative of the CTI will comment on two issues for the group to discuss:

- CTI Priorities for 2004, which cover (i) Support for the WTO; (ii) Trade and investment facilitation; (iii) Implementation of APEC Transparency Standards; (iv) Implementation of Pathfinder Initiatives; and (v) Contribution to the APEC Structural Reform Action Plan.
- Cooperation between the CPDG and SELI. View letter sent from CPDG Convenor to CTI Chair.

4. ISSUES RELATED TO INSTRUCTIONS FROM THE LEADERS, MINISTERS AND SOM

The Convenor will report on instructions received from Leaders, Ministers and the SOM for 2004, including:

- a) The WTO and the Multilateral Trading System
 - Ways to support the advance of the Doha Development Agenda (DDA).
- b) APEC Transparency Standards
 - The development of templates that reflect competition-specific Transparency Standards in new or revised transparency sections of the Competition IAP chapters.
 - The United States will present a paper on Implementing APEC Leaders' Transparency Standards.
- c) Structural Reform

- Areas where training on competition policy and deregulation are necessary.
- Areas where the CPDG can coordinate with other APEC Sub-fora, particularly SELI, to fulfill the "APEC Structural Reform Action Plan" especially with regard to capacity building on competition and deregulation issues.

5. REPORT ON PROJECTS RELATED TO COMPETITION OR DEREGULATION

- Best Practices in Enforcement of Competition Policy, held in Pucon, Chile, May 26th, 2004 (Australia)
- Sixth Workshop of the APEC-OECD Cooperative Initiative on Regulatory Reform (CTI07/2004T) held in Pucon, Chile, May 24-25 2004. (CPDG Convenor)
- Proceedings of the Fourth and Fifth Workshops for the APEC-OECD Cooperative Initiative on Regulatory Reform (CTI18/2003T), held in Vancouver, Canada, October 9-8 and Paris, France, December 2-3, 2003, respectively. (CPDG Convenor)
- Third workshop of the training program on competition policy (CTI05/2003T) held in Kuala Lumpur, March 1-3. (Japan)
- Final Report of the training program to Promote Economic Competition in APEC economies (CTI23/2002T), held in Mexico City on May 30-31 and September 19-20, 2002; September 11-12, and November 17-18, 2003. (Mexico)

6. TILF ISSUES: PRESENTATION OF PROJECTS FOR CPDG APPROVAL

Member economies are invited to present projects to be implemented in 2004, and that seek TILF funds.

7. COLLABORATION WITH OTHER INTERNATIONAL INSTITUTIONS

- **OECD:**
Discussion and preliminary approval of the first two components of the APEC-OECD Integrated Checklist for regulatory reform. See Integrated Checklist.

8. RESEARCH, ANALYSIS AND OTHER ACTIVITIES AS DEVELOPED BY MEMBER ECONOMIES

Australia (the ACCC) will make brief oral presentation on an investigation course it ran for officers of the Thai Trade Competition Commission in Bangkok in September 2003.

9. SUMMARY AND CONCLUSIONS

The Convenor will provide concluding remarks.