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A/ Institutional Arrangements

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Composition of the Hungarian National Contact Point (HNCP)

In the second quarter of 2002 composition of the Hungarian National Contact Point changed. Tasks of the Hungarian National Bank (HNB) were modified and the Bank was restructured. Moreover the liberalisation of capital flow was practically completed in Hungary. As a result of the changes direct participation of the HNB in the HNCP became unnecessary. Current organisational structure is trilateral, the HNCP remained an interdepartmental government body with permanent members. In 2002 after the election Ministry of Economic Affairs and the Ministry of Transport and Water Management were merged. The legal successor is the Ministry of Economy and Transport which was restructured and which kept the task of the Secretariat of HNCP.

List of permanent members

Ministry of Economy and Transport (MoET) Ministry of Finance (MoF) Ministry of Foreign Affairs (MoFA)

Despite the organisational modification MoET works as a Secretariat for the HNCP and a permanent member of HNCP at the same time. HNCP makes decision on the basis of consensus. The HNCP has no regular or continuous contacts with all of the civil organisations. Invitation depends upon emerging issues. Representatives of trade union and employers' associations were informed regularly on developments and information coming from CIME. Up till now Secretariat has contacted social partners by fax, phone and E-mail. Beside HNCP several fora exist to keep closer contacts with civil organisations. HNCP is not the only one problem solving body.

B/Information and Promotion

The main information source on the Guidelines remained the home page of MoET and the HNCP in the MoET. (Web: http://www.gkm.hu/site/fomenu/gazdasag/oecd/index.htm)

The text of the Guidelines together with all relevant information (e.g. Commentaries, Declaration, etc) was translated to Hungarian language. On the homepage there are three basic documents which are as follows:

- Brief press release of Hungarian language on the Guidelines (in the text from "OECD" word anyone can link to the OECD site and study the English and French versions of the Guidelines)
- Procedural guide of Hungarian language on the Hungarian NCP (explains what and how to do in the case of enquiry)
- The Guidelines in Hungarian language(full text of the original English version)

The HNCP has not received any enquiry between May 22, 2002 and May 8, 2003.

Statistical information on homepage of MEA between January 1 and May 1, 2003

Titles of written documents							Number of queries
OECD	Guidelines	for	the	Multinational	Enterprises	(brief	1003
summary)							
Brief procedural guide							187
Guidelines							161

C/ Implementation

Last year the Secretariat of HNCP wrote a letter to the Executive Director of the Confederation of Hungarian Employers' Organisations for International Co-operation asking for a broad information activity on the Guidelines for all members. The HNCP proposed to the Hungarian Employers' Organisations to take into consideration the adherence to the Declaration.

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