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PROGRAM Day1 8 September 2004**9:00-****Remarks:** Ms. Yoriko Kawaguchi, Minister for Foreign Affairs, Japan**Remarks:** Mr. Nobuhiko Kawamoto, ABAC member, Japan; Executive Advisor, Honda Motor Co., Ltd.**9:15-10:00****Session 1: Structural Reform in the APEC Region**

To address how member economies' structural reform efforts have contributed to promoting trade and investment in the APEC region. Selected APEC member economies will present their experiences to be shared and will reveal the positive and negative aspects of structural reform.

Session Moderator

Mr. Satoru Satoh Japan's Senior Official for APEC, Deputy Director General, Economic Affairs Bureau, Ministry of Foreign Affairs, Japan

Speakers

Overview of Structural Reform in the APEC region

Prof. Robert Scollay Director, APEC Study Center, University of Auckland, New Zealand

Economy report: Thailand

Dr. Narongchai Akrasanee Former Minister of Commerce of Thailand; Chairman, MFC Asset Management Plc.

Economy report: Mexico

Dr. Elisa Mariscal Deputy Head of International Affairs, Federal Competition Commission, Mexico

10:00-12:30**Session 2: Promoting Regulatory Reform in APEC Economies***Leading Economy: Japan*

To exchange experiences and lessons learned from regulatory reform. Japan will present its recent program "Special zones for Structural Reform." Other economies will also present their experiences and views.

Keynote Speaker

Mr. Kazuyoshi Kaneko Minister of State for Regulatory Reform and Special Zone for Structural Reform, Japan

Session Moderator

Mr. Shunichiro Ushijima Adviser, Economic and Social Research Institute, Cabinet Office, Japan

Speakers

Dr. Naohiro Yashiro President, Japan Center for Economic Research

Mr. George Shaw Principal Officer, Economic Planning Division, Department of the Taoiseach, Ireland

Panelists

Dr. Narongchai Akrasanee Former Minister of Commerce of Thailand; Chairman, MFC Asset Management Plc.

Prof. Fan Gang Director, National Economic Research Institute, China Reform Foundation

Mr. Tetsuo Inoue Mayor, Yokkaichi City, Japan

Mr. Steve French General Manager, Competition and Consumer Policy Division, Australian Department of the Treasury

—————(10:55~11:10 Coffee Break)—————

12:30-14:30**Lunch Break****14:30-18:00****Session 3: Corporate and Banking Sector Reform***Leading Economy: United States of America*

Session Moderator

Dr. Choong Yong Ahn Chair of the APEC EC (Economic Committee); President of the Korea Institute for International Economic Policy

14:30-15:40 Panel 1: Successful Corporate Restructuring and Its Benefits - Case Studies

Speaker

Dr. Yong-Kyoon Shin Former Executive Vice President, Korea Asset Management Corporation

Panelists

Mr. Kazuhiko Toyama Executive Managing Director & Chief Operating Officer, Industrial Revitalization Corporation of Japan

Mr. Tomoo Tasaku Partner, PricewaterhouseCoopers Financial Advisory Services, Japan

15:40-16:50**Panel 2: Identifying Critical Functions in Effective Corporate Governance**

Speaker

Mr. Gordon Thiessen Chairman, Canadian Public Accountability Board and Former Governor of the Bank of Canada

Panelists

Dr. Nik Ramlah Mahmood Director for Market Policy and Development at the Securities Commission of Malaysia

Prof. Joseph Fan Professor, the Chinese University of Hong Kong; World Bank/Asian Development Bank Consultant

—————(Coffee Break)—————

16:50-18:00**Panel 3: Banking Reform Lessons and Key Principles**

Speaker

Dr. Kristin Forbes Member, U.S. President's Council of Economic Advisors

Panelists

Mr. Thierry Porte Vice Chairman of Shinsei Bank, Limited, Japan

Mr. Kejin Wang Director, Policy and Legal Department, China Banking Regulatory Commission

PROGRAM Day2 9 September 2004**9:00-12:45****Session 4: Promoting Structural Adjustment in APEC Economies***Leading Economy: Australia*

To demonstrate how rewards can be obtained from undertaking sometimes difficult reforms, with case studies in the agricultural and industrial sectors.

9:00-9:15**Introduction: Why is Structural Adjustment Important?**

Session Moderator

Mr. Steve French General Manager, Competition and Consumer Policy Division, Australian Department of the Treasury

9:15-10:45**Panel 1: Creating an Environment to Facilitate Structural Adjustment**

Speakers

The Role of Competition Policy in Structural Adjustment

Mr. Joe Dimasi Executive General Manager (Head), Regulatory Affairs Australian Competition and Consumer Commission

Building a Domestic Constituency for Structural Adjustment

Mr. Robert Kerr Head of Office, Australian Productivity Commission

Deregulation and Structural Adjustment in the Context of Wider Macroeconomic Reform Processes

Mr. Murray Sherwin Director General, New Zealand Ministry of Agriculture and Forestry

—————(Coffee Break)—————

11:00-12:30**Panel 2: Structural Adjustment in Practice - Case Studies**

Speakers

A Government Perspective to Structural Adjustment in the Australian Automotive Industry

Mr. Robert Kerr Head of Office, Australian Productivity Commission

Structural Adjustment in the Dairy Industry - Lessons from New Zealand

Prof. Lewis Evans Research Principal of the New Zealand Institute for the Study of Competition and Regulation

Experiences with Structural Adjustment of the Australian Steel Industry

Dr. Robert Every Managing Director and Chief Executive Officer, OneSteel Limited, Australia

12:30-12:45**Summary of Key Points and Concluding Comments****12:45-14:30****Reception**

hosted by **Mr. Masatoshi Abe**, Senior Vice-Minister for Foreign Affairs, Japan (Green Hall, 1st Floor)

14:30-16:00**Session 5: Strengthening Investors' Confidence (Promoting Fair and Transparent Legal Environment)***Leading Economy: Japan*

The session will consist of presentations by both the business and public sectors. The session aims to promote discussions on fostering legal conditions favorable to business throughout the region.

Session Moderator

Mr. Eiichi Hasegawa Japan's Senior Official for APEC, Deputy Director General for International Trade Policy, Trade Policy Bureau, Ministry of Economy, Trade and Industry, Japan

Speakers

Fair and Transparent Legal Environment for Businesses

Mr. Masayuki Oku Deputy President, Sumitomo Mitsui Banking Corporation, Japan

Structural Reform for Creating an FDI Friendly Environment

Dr. Wan-Soon Kim Ombudsman, the Office of the Investment Ombudsman, Korea

Report on the Latest Law Reform

Administrative License Law and other Commercial Law Reforms

Mr. Baozhong Du Deputy Director of Administrative Law Division, Treaty & Law Department, Ministry of Commerce, China

—————(Coffee Break)—————

16:30-18:00**Concluding Session (Roundtable Discussion): How to promote Structural Reform in the APEC Region (Queen Hall, 3rd Floor)****Closed Session: Speakers, Panelists and APEC Officials are invited to this session**

Necessary measures for promoting structural reform in the APEC region will be presented. To this end, impediments and the policy agenda for structural reform will be identified so that the role of APEC in promoting structural reform becomes clear. A recommendation to the Leaders will be considered.

Session Moderator

Mr. Satoru Satoh Japan's Senior Official for APEC, Deputy Director General, Economic Affairs Bureau, Ministry of Foreign Affairs, Japan

Speakers

Mr. Richard Hecklinger Deputy Secretary-General, OECD

Mr. Alan Bowman Chair of the APEC CTI (Committee on Trade & Investment); Director, Asia-Pacific Policy Division, Department of Foreign Affairs and International Trade, Canada