

**MEMORANDUM**

**TO:** Governing Council

**SPONSOR:** John F. (Jack) Petch, Chair

**DATE:** May 15, 2008, for May 21, 2008

**AGENDA ITEM:** 7

**ITEM IDENTIFICATION:** Task Force on Governance – *Phase 1 Report to the Chair of the Governing Council and the President*

**JURISDICTIONAL INFORMATION:**

The Task Force on Governance was established by the Governing Council at its meeting of October 30, 2007. Under its Terms of Reference, the Task Force is required to report to the President and the Governing Council at the conclusion of its first phase of work. The Executive Committee, which plays a coordinating role with respect to matters before governance, considered the Chair's recommendations regarding the Task Force on Governance and has endorsed and forwarded them to the Governing Council.

**HIGHLIGHTS:**

See attached.

**PREVIOUS ACTION TAKEN:**

At its meeting of March 31, 2008, the Executive Committee resolved that the Task Force on Governance Phase 1 Report be considered by the Governing Council *in camera*. This decision was taken in anticipation of a discussion of a proposal regarding "next steps" that could include Task Force membership. It was intended that that portion of any such discussion would be considered *in camera*; the remainder would be in open session. The Chair's proposal will, however, be considered at a future meeting.

**RECOMMENDATIONS:**

Be It Resolved:

1. THAT the *Towards 2030 Task Force on Governance Phase 1 Report to the Chair of the Governing Council and the President*, dated February 28, 2008, be accepted; and
2. THAT, with reference to the Task Force's recommendations, the Chair develop for consideration by the Governing Council a proposal regarding continuation of the review process.