A PROGRESS REPORT ON THE JURISDICTIONS SURVEYED BY THE OECD GLOBAL FORUM IN IMPLEMENTING THE INTERNATIONALLY AGREED TAX STANDARD

Progress made as at 12th October 2009 (Original Progress Report 2nd April)

Jurisdictions that have substantially implemented the internationally agreed tax standard						
Argentina	Denmark	Japan	Russian Federation			
Aruba	Estonia	Jersey	San Marino			
Australia	Finland	Korea	Seychelles			
Austria	France	Luxembourg	Slovak Republic			
Bahrain	Germany	Malta	Slovenia			
Barbados	Greece	Mauritius	South Africa			
Belgium	Guernsey	Mexico	Spain			
Bermuda	Hungary	Monaco	Sweden			
British Virgin Islands	Iceland	Netherlands	Switzerland			
Canada	India	Netherlands Antilles	Turkey			
Cayman Islands ²	Ireland	New Zealand	United Arab Emirates			
China ³	Isle of Man	Norway	United Kingdom			
Cyprus	Israel	Poland	United States			
Czech Republic	Italy	Portugal	US Virgin Islands			

Jurisdictions that have committed to the internationally agreed tax standard, but have not yet substantially implemented								
Jurisdiction	Year of	Number of	Jurisdiction	Year of	Number of			
	Commitment	Agreements		Commitment	Agreements			
	Tax Havens⁴							
Andorra	2009	(5)	Montserrat	2002	(0)			
Anguilla	2002	(4)	Nauru	2003	(0)			
Antigua and	2002	(9)	Niue	2002	(0)			
Barbuda			Panama	2002	(0)			
Bahamas	2002	(3)	St Kitts and	2002	(5)			
Belize	2002	(0)	Nevis					
Cook Islands	2002	(1)	St Lucia	2002	(0)			
Dominica	2002	(1)	St Vincent and	2002	(5)			
Gibraltar	2002	(9)	the Grenadines					
Grenada	2002	(1)	Samoa	2002	(3)			
Liberia	2007	(0)	Turks and	2002	(5)			
Liechtenstein	2009	(9)	Caicos Islands					
Marshall Islands	2007	(1)	Vanuatu	2003	(0)			
Other Financial Centres								
Brunei	2009	(6)	Malaysia	2009	(2)			
Chile	2009	(0)	Philippines	2009	(0)			
Costa Rica	2009	(0)	Singapore	2009	(10)			
Guatemala	2009	(0)	Uruguay	2009	(2)			

Jurisdictions that have not committed to the internationally agreed tax standard						
Jurisdiction	Number of	Jurisdiction	Number of			
	Agreements		Agreements			
All jurisdictions surveyed by the Global Forum have now committed to the internationally agreed tax						
standard						

^{1.} The internationally agreed tax standard, which was developed by the OECD in co-operation with non-OECD countries and which was endorsed by G20 Finance Ministers at their Berlin Meeting in 2004 and by the UN Committee of Experts on International Cooperation in Tax Matters at its October 2008 Meeting, requires exchange of information on request in all tax matters for the administration and enforcement of domestic tax law without regard to a domestic tax interest requirement or bank secrecy for tax purposes. It also provides for extensive safeguards to protect the confidentiality of the information exchanged.

^{2.} The Cayman Islands have enacted legislation that allows them to exchange information unilaterally and have identified 12 countries with which they are prepared to do so. This approach is being reviewed by the OECD.

^{3.} Excluding the Special Administrative Regions, which have committed to implement the internationally agreed tax standard.

⁴ These jurisdictions were identified in 2000 as meeting the tax haven criteria as described in the 1998 OECD report.