DEPARTMENT OF LABOR
Bureau of Labor Statistics
Data Users Advisory Committee; Notice of Meeting and Agenda

The Bureau of Labor Statistics Data Users Advisory Committee will meet on Tuesday, October 25, 2011. The meeting will be held in the Postal Square Building, 2 Massachusetts Avenue, NE., Washington, DC.

The Committee provides advice to the Bureau of Labor Statistics from the points of view of data users from various sectors of the U.S. economy, including the labor, business, research, academic, and government communities, on technical matters related to the collection, analysis, dissemination, and use of the Bureau's statistics, on its published reports, and on the broader aspects of its overall mission and function.

The meeting will be held in Meeting Rooms 1, 2, and 3 of the Postal Square Building Conference Center. The schedule and agenda for the meeting are as follows:

8:30 a.m. Registration.
8:45 a.m. Introductions and Welcome.
9 a.m. Commissioner's Introduction.
9:45 a.m. Follow-up from Past Recommendations.
10:45 a.m. Discuss initiative, Current Employment Statistics data by size class.

1 p.m. Discuss initiative, Competitiveness measures in the International Price Program.
2 p.m. Request for DUAC suggestions for improving Data Access/Query Tools and Output Formats on the BLS Web site.
3 p.m. Discuss initiative, Consolidating BLS Publications.
4 p.m. Request for DUAC suggestions for reaching targeted industries with low data collection response rates.
5 p.m. Wrap-up.

The meeting is open to the public. Any questions concerning the meeting should be directed to Kathy Mele, Data Users Advisory Committee, on 202–691–6102. Individuals who require special accommodations should contact Ms. Mele at least two days prior to the meeting date.

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MILLENNIUM CHALLENGE CORPORATION
[MCC FR 11–10]
Report on the Criteria and Methodology for Determining the Eligibility of Candidate Countries for Millennium Challenge Account Assistance in Fiscal Year 2011

AGENCY: Millennium Challenge Corporation.
ACTION: Notice.
SUMMARY: This report to Congress is provided in accordance with Section 608(b) of the Millennium Challenge Act of 2003, as amended, 22 U.S.C. § 7707(b) (the “Act”).

Dated: September 29, 2011.

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Millennium Challenge Corporation.

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Summary

This report to Congress is provided in accordance with section 608(b) of the Millennium Challenge Act of 2003, as amended, 22 U.S.C. §7707(b) (the “Act”).

The Act authorizes the provision of Millennium Challenge Account (“MCA”) assistance to countries that enter into a Millennium Challenge Compact with the United States to support policies and programs that advance the prospects of such countries achieving lasting economic growth and poverty reduction. The Act requires the Millennium Challenge Corporation (“MCC”) to take a number of steps in determining what countries will be selected as eligible for MCA compact assistance for fiscal year 2012 (“FY12”).

The criteria and methodology that MCC’s Board of Directors (“the Board”) will use to measure and evaluate the performance of the candidate countries consistent with the requirements of section 607 of the Act (22 U.S.C. §7706) in order to determine “MCA eligible countries” from among the “candidate countries” (section 608(a) of the Act; 22 U.S.C. §7707(a)); and

The list of countries determined by the Board to be “MCA eligible countries” for FY12, with justification for eligibility determination and selection for compact negotiation, including which of the MCA eligible countries the Board will seek to enter into MCA compacts (section 608(d) of the Act).

This report sets out the criteria and methodology to be applied in determining eligibility for FY12 MCA assistance.

Criteria and Methodology for FY12

The Board will base its selection of eligible countries on several factors including the country’s overall performance in three broad policy categories—Ruling Justly, Encouraging Economic Freedom, and Investing in People; MCC’s opportunity to reduce poverty and generate economic growth in a country; and the availability of funds to MCC.

Section 607 of the Act requires that the Board’s determination of eligibility be based “to the maximum extent possible, upon objective and quantifiable indicators of a country’s