FTI Special Meeting of the Board
Paris – February 11-12, 2010
AREAS OF CONSENSUS

BOD/2010/02-01 – Accountability framework for FTI: Approval to develop a mutual accountability framework based on results, and that the FTI Secretariat will provide key elements of the framework to be approved through virtual process by the Board no later than end March 2010.

BOD/2010/02-02 – Accountability framework for FTI: Approval that the Secretariat will revise, for presentation to the May 2010 Board meeting, the FTI Framework, including the different existing guidelines with the view to clarifying the respective roles of all FTI partners and institutions, in particular the Secretariat.

BOD/2010/02-03 – Accountability framework for FTI: Approval that the FTI Secretariat is authorized to engage external support in developing the accountability framework.

BOD/2010/02-04 – Single process: Approval that a Progressive Framework should underpin all FTI support – including for countries with weak institutional capacity or fragile states. The Secretariat is asked to provide an updated, more operational draft of the Progressive Framework for consideration of the Board by the time of the May 2010 Board meeting.

BOD/2010/02-05 – Role of Board: Approval that the FTI will adopt a new system of financial decision-making whereby the Board will decide all funding allocations on the basis of recommendations from a technical review committee, which will replace the current CF and EPDF Committees. The Secretariat will table proposals in time for the May 2010 Board meeting for the new arrangements including: options for membership of the committee; the relationships between the LEG, the Committee and the Board; and whether, and if so how, to continue the current arrangements for an external quality review.

BOD/2010/02-06 – Single fund: Approval that the Secretariat and the World Bank (as trustee for existing trust funds) will table a plan and timetable for the transition to the new single fund arrangements, taking account of the legal requirements and end dates of the existing trust funds and the plan to move to a single fund.
BOD/2010/02-07 – **World Bank as partner**: Recognizing the importance of the World Bank as an FTI partner, approval that:

a. The World Bank will no longer continue as default Supervising Entity; the Government and Local Education Group will jointly make a recommendation to the Board regarding the most appropriate Supervising Entity;

b. The World Bank will be asked to work with the FTI Chair to explore administrative arrangements that will increase the independence of the Secretariat from the World Bank, including exploring options for a distinct legal personality for the Secretariat; and

c. Linked to the move to transition to a single fund, the Trust Fund modality and the World Bank’s role as trustee will be reviewed.