

G8 Research Group St. Petersburg Final Compliance Summary

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The Compliance Process

One of the key products of the G8 Research Group is its biannual compliance report. These reports aim to assess the progress made by the G8 countries in meeting the commitments reached at their annual G8 Summits. The interim compliance report, published every February, assesses progress at the mid-way point between Summits. Building on the interim compliance report, a final compliance report is issued just prior to the annual Summit meeting. The objective of these reports is to provide policy makers, academics, civil society, the media and interested citizens with robust data to enable meaningful analysis of this unique and informal institution. Past compliance reports are available on the G8 Information Centre web site at www.g8.utoronto.ca/compliance. A full copy of the 2006 Final Compliance Report will be available at that website by 4 June 2007.

The 2006 St. Petersburg Final Compliance Report

The eleventh annual G8RG Compliance Report considers G8 country compliance from July 2006 to May 2007 with 20 selected commitments reached at the 2006 St. Petersburg Summit. The full text of each selected commitment is appended below.

Scoring Methodology

For each of the selected commitments, extensive data is collected for each G8 country and the European Union by a team of over 100 analysts in Toronto, Moscow and Oxford. This research is distilled into half-page summary reports and each country is given a compliance score.

The compliance studies build on the methodology first developed by George Von Furstenberg and Joseph Daniels in "The Meaning and Reliability of Economic Summit Undertakings, 1975-1989" and essentially follow a three-level measurement process:

- ♣ +1: Full or nearly full compliance with a commitment
- ♣ -1: Complete or nearly complete failure to implement a commitment
- 0: A "work in progress"

Final Results

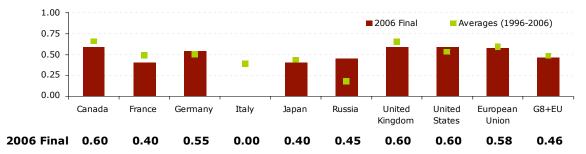
The 2006 final compliance results are summarized in Table A. This update is intended to assess the G8's compliance from the period following the conclusion of the St. Petersburg Summit to 10 May 2007. This includes compliance under the second half of the Russian G8 presidency and the first half of the German G8 presidency.

The final compliance results reveal that this past year G8 members and the EU have an average compliance score of +0.46. This score is based on a scale where 1.0 is equivalent to perfect compliance and -1.0 means complete non-compliance. A score of 0 suggests a work in progress, whereby compliance has been initiated, but full compliance has not yet been achieved.

This is an improvement over the +0.33 score at the interim point (31 December 2006). However, this score of +0.46 suggests that, on balance, G8 countries have done less work to comply with their commitments than any time since 2002. This final compliance score is significantly lower than final compliance at recent G8 summits including +0.65 for Gleneagles (2005), +0.54 for Sea Island (2004), +0.51 for Evian (2003), and +0.53 for Genoa (2001), and is only higher than +0.33 for Kananaskis (2002).

Compliance by Country

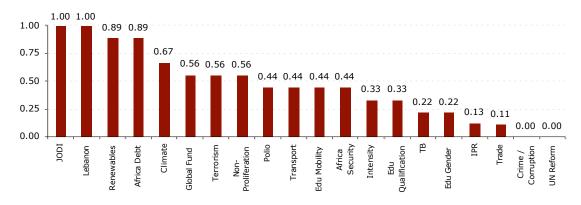
The following graph summarizes interim compliance by country.



Please note that all graphs presented use the 'work in progress' score of 0 as a point of reference. This has been done to allow the reader to easily distinguish between 'compliant' and 'non-compliant' countries and issue areas. Stated otherwise, scores below 0 indicate that, on balance, compliant actions have been outweighed by non-compliant actions.

Compliance by Issue Area

The following graph summarizes final compliance by issue area.



It is important to note that in commitments related to the three St. Petersburg Summit priority areas, energy security, health and education, the G8 has registered average compliance scores of +0.58, +0.41 and +0.33, respectively.

Table A: 2006 Interim Compliance Scores

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No.	Issue Area	CAD	FRA	GER	ITA	JAP	RUS	UK	USA	EU	Average
1	. Health (Global Fund)	1	1	0	0	1	1	0	1	0	0.56
2	! Health (Tuberculosis)	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0.22
3	B Health (Polio)	1	0	1	-1	0	1	1	1	0	0.44
4	Energy (Oil and Energy Reserve Data Collection)	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1.00
5	Energy Intensity	0	0	0	0	0	1	1	0	1	0.33
ϵ	Surface Transport	1	0	1	0	0	0	0	1	1	0.44
7	Renewable Energy	1	0	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	0.89
8	3 Climate Change	0	1	1	0	1	0	1	1	1	0.67
9	Education (Academic Mobility)	0	1	1	0	0	1	0	0	1	0.44
10	Education (Qualification Systems)	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	1	1	0.33
11	. Education (Gender Disparities)	1	1	0	-1	0	0	1	0	0	0.22
12	? Africa (Security)	1	1	0	0	0	0	0	1	1	0.44
13	3 Africa (Debt Relief)	1	1	1	0	1	1	1	1	1	0.89
14	Transnational Crime and Corruption	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0.00
15	Intellectual Property Rights	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	N/A	0.13
16	Trade (Export Subsidies, Agriculture)	0	-1	1	-1	1	0	1	0	0	0.11
17	' Counter-terrorism (Energy)	1	1	0	0	0	0	1	1	1	0.56
18	Stabilization and Reconstruction (UN)	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0.00
19	Global Partnership (Non-Proliferation)	1	0	1	0	1	1	1	0	0	0.56
20	Middle East (Lebanon)	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1.00
	Country Average:	0.60	0.40	0.55	0.00	0.40	0.45	0.60	0.60	0.58	
	2006 Final Compliance Average										0.46
	2006 Interim Compliance Average:	0.45	0.30	0.45	-0.10	0.30	0.25	0.55	0.35	0.58	0.35
	2005 Final Compliance:	0.81	0.57	0.88	0.29	0.52	0.14	0.81	0.95	0.89	0.65
	2005 Interim Compliance:	0.52	0.48	0.33	0.43	0.52	-0.14	0.71	0.67	0.75	0.47

2006 Commitments Selected for Analysis

Commitments were selected from a total set of 317 commitments identified in Summit documents and communiqués. Full list of commitments available at www.q8.utoronto.ca/evaluations/G8 commitments.pdf.

1. Health (Global Fund)

We will work with other donors and stakeholders in the effort to secure funds needed for the 2006-2007 replenishment period and call upon all concerned to participate actively in the development of a four-year strategy, aimed at building a solid foundation for the activities of the Fund in the years ahead.

Fight Against Infectious Diseases

2. Health (Tuberculosis)

"We will also support the Global Plan to Stop TB, 2006-2015, which aims to cut TB deaths in half by the year 2015 compared to 1990 levels, saving some 14 million lives over ten years, and call upon all donors and stakeholders to contribute to its effective implementation."

Fight against Infectious Diseases

3. Health (Polio)

"We urgently call for mobilization of financial support and will continue to work collectively and with bilateral and multilateral donors to close the funding gap for 2007-2008, and will continue to work with others towards securing the resources necessary to finish the program and declare our planet polio-free in the near future."

Fight against Infectious Diseases

4. Energy (Oil and Energy Reserve Data Collection)

"We welcome the beginning of implementation of the Joint Oil Data Initiative (JODI) and will take further action to improve and enhance the collection and reporting of market data on oil and other energy sources by all countries including through development of a global common standard for reporting oil and other energy reserves."

Global Energy Security

5. Energy Intensity

"consider national goals for reducing energy intensity of economic development to be reported by the end of the year;"-

Global Energy Security

6. Surface Transportation

"develop programs in our respective countries, consistent with national circumstances, to provide incentives for consumers to adopt efficient vehicles, including clean diesels and hybrids; and introduce on a large scale efficient public hybrid and/or clean diesel transportation systems, where appropriate;"-

Global Energy Security

7. Renewable Energy

"We will facilitate development of local energy resources, including those based on core generation technologies and on renewable energy, such as hydropower, wind power, geothermal power, biomass, and the effective use of solar energy, to contribute to poverty reduction and long-term energy sustainability in developing countries."

Global Energy Security

8. Climate Change and Sustainable Development

"We reaffirm our intention to deliver on commitments made in Gleneagles in order to meet our shared and multiple objectives of reducing greenhouse gas emissions, improving the global environment, enhancing energy security and cutting air pollution in conjunction with our vigorous efforts to reduce poverty."

Global Energy Security

9. Education (Academic Mobility)

"We will promote international academic mobility at all levels, significantly increasing the mobility of students, teachers and researchers."

Education for Innovative Society in the 21st Century

10. Education (Qualification Systems)

"We will share information about qualification systems in our countries to increase understanding of national academic practices and traditions.."

Education for Innovative Society in the 21st Century

11. Education (Gender Disparities)

"We regret that interim targets related to eliminating gender disparities in primary and secondary education have not been achieved. Greater concerted action by all will be needed to fulfill these key goals by 2015. We reaffirm our commitments in this regard."

Education for Innovative Society in the 21st Century

12. Africa (Security)

"continuing, in cooperation with the EU, UN and other partners, to assist the AU and African sub-regional organisations in further developing the African Standby Force including transportation and logistics support arrangements"

Update on Africa

13. Africa (Debt Relief)

"ensuring the full implementation and financing of the Multilateral Debt Relief Initiative (MDRI) according to our commitments made at Gleneagles and on a fair burden-share basis, and preserving long-term debt sustainability through the implementation of the IMF/World Bank debt sustainability framework for low-income countries;"

Update on Africa

14. Transnational Crime and Corruption

"We maintained our commitment to implement and promote the FATF recommendations, the UN Convention on Transnational Organized Crime, and the UN Convention Against Corruption. We note the critical contribution of non-governmental organizations in the fight against corruption.."

Fighting High-Level Corruption

15. Intellectual Property Rights

"to create in each G8 country a website providing businesses and individuals with information on mechanisms available and procedures necessary to secure and enforce their intellectual property rights in that country, on threats posed by piracy and counterfeiting to public health, safety and the national interests of countries, consumers and business communities, as well as on measures taken at the national and international levels to combat intellectual property rights violations, and on relevant legislation and law enforcement practices;" - Combating IPR Piracy and Counterfeiting

16. Trade (Export Subsidies, Agriculture)

"In agriculture, we are equally committed to substantially reducing trade-distorting domestic support and to the parallel elimination by the end of 2013 of all forms of export subsidies, as well as the establishment of effective disciplines on all export measures with equivalent effect, as agreed in Hong Kong.."

Trade

17. Counter-terrorism (Energy)

"We announce a plan of action to secure global critical energy infrastructure, including defining and ranking vulnerabilities of critical energy infrastructure sites, assessing emerging and potential risks of terrorist attacks, and developing best practices for effective security across all energy sectors within our countries."

G8 Summit Declaration on Counter-Terrorism

18. Stabilization and Reconstruction (UN)

"In order to facilitate the UN's rapid and efficient response to crises, G8 states commit to pursuing reforms in the United Nations to ensure that resources are available in advance to the UN as it works to establish new peacekeeping and peace support operations pre-positioning equipment in Brindisi, an increase in pre-authorization funds to support DPKO's planning, and the authority to identify personnel in advance of a UNSC resolution mandating a new PKO;"

G8 Declaration on Cooperation and Future Action in Stabilization and Reconstruction

19. Global Partnership (Non-Proliferation)

"We remain committed to our pledges in Kananaskis to raise up to \$20 billion through 2012 for the Global Partnership, initially in Russia, to support projects to address priority areas identified in Kananaskis and to continue to turn these pledges into concrete actions.

Statement on Non-Proliferation

20. Middle East (Lebanon)

"We will support the economic and humanitarian needs of the Lebanese people, including the convening at the right time of a donors conference.."

Middle East