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Preface

Each year since 1996, the G8 Research Group has produced a compliance report on the progress made by the G8 member countries in meeting the commitments issued at each summit. Since 2002, the group has published an interim report, which assesses progress at the moment of transition between one country's year as host and the next, and a final report issued just before the leaders' annual summit. These reports, which monitor each country's efforts on a carefully chosen selection of the many commitments announced at the end of each summit, are offered to the general public and to policy makers, academics, civil society, the media and interested citizens around the world in an effort to make the work of the G8 more transparent and accessible, and to provide scientific data to enable the meaningful analysis of this unique and informal institution. Compliance reports are available at the G8 Information Centre at www.g8.utoronto.ca/compliance.

The G8 Research Group is an independent organization based at the University of Toronto. Founded in 1987, it is an international network of scholars, professionals and students that has as its mission to serve as the leading independent source of analysis on the G8. The group oversees the G8 Information Centre, which publishes, free of charge, research on the G8 and also publishes official documents issued by the G8.

For the 2011 Final Compliance report, 18 priority commitments were selected from the 196 commitments made at the Deauville Summit, hosted by France from 26 to 27 May 2011. This report assesses the results of compliance with those commitments as of 1 May 2012. As it has since 2006, the G8 Research Group in Toronto has worked with a team at the National Research University Higher School of Economics (HSE) in Moscow, led by Mark Rakhmangulov, specifically on the reports for Russia.

To make its assessments, the G8 Research Group relies on publicly available information, documentation and media reports. To ensure the accuracy, comprehensiveness and integrity of these reports, we encourage comments and suggestions. Indeed, this is a living document, and the scores can be recalibrated if new material becomes available. All feedback remains anonymous and is not attributed. Responsibility for this report's contents lies exclusively with the authors and analysts of the G8 Research Group.

The work of the G8 Research Group would not be possible without the steadfast dedication of many people around the world. This report is the product of a team of energetic and hard-working analysts led by Abdi Aidid, chair of the student G8 Research Group, as well as the co-directors of the Compliance Unit: Mina Akrami, Enko Koceku and Kelsey Komorowski. It would also not be possible without the support of Dr. Ella Kokotsis, director of compliance, and Caroline Bracht, director of research. We are also indebted to the many people who provided feedback on our draft version, whose comments have been carefully considered in this revised report.

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Executive Summary

The University of Toronto G8 Research Group's Compliance Report on the 2011 Deauville Summit is based on an analysis of compliance by G8 member states and the European Union with 18 priority commitments made at the Deauville Summit and covers the period from 27 May 2011 to 1 May 2012.

The Final Compliance Scores are contained in Table A. This report is intended to provide an assessment of G8 members' compliance with the commitments made at Deauville.

The Overall Final Compliance Score

The results of the G8 Research Group's assessments indicate that, for the period May 2011 to May 2012, the G8 member states and the European Union received an average final compliance score of +0.54. Individual scores are assigned on a scale where +1 indicates full compliance with the stated commitment, 0 is awarded for partial compliance or a work in progress, and -1 is reserved for those countries that fail to comply or that take action that is directly opposite to the stated goal of the commitment. The formula to convert a score into a percentage is $P=50 \times (S+1)$, where P is the percentage and S is the score. Thus the score of +0.54 is equivalent to 77% on a scale where -1 equals 0% and +1 equals 100%.

Compliance by Member

G8 members' rankings are roughly in line with past interim reports, with slight variations. Canada ranks first overall in compliance with a +0.67, after sharing first place last year with Russia. The United Kingdom, the United States and the European Union are all tied for second with a score of +0.61. They are followed by Russia and Japan at 0.56, and France at 0.50. Germany follows at +0.44. For the third consecutive year, Italy ranks last with a compliance score of +0.33.

The Compliance Gap Between Members

The compliance gap between members this year has reduced considerably since the 2010 Muskoka Final Report. This year, the difference between the highest and lowest G8 member compliance scores is +0.33, less than 2010's figure of +0.44. In 2009, the compliance gap was +0.71.

Compliance by Commitment

Overall compliance by commitment is almost uniformly distributed from 0 to +1, with the exceptions of Maternal and Child Health (-0.11) and Crime and Corruption: Stolen Asset Recovery (-0.22). In 2010, there were also two commitments that scored below zero. This is suggestive of an upward trend from 2009 and 2008, where the number of commitments below zero were four and five, respectively. Eleven commitments scored above +0.50, up from eight in 2010.

G8 members were awarded full compliance on two commitments: Good Governance: Afghanistan and Nuclear Non-Proliferation: National Systems Effectiveness. They received generally high scores on the two other nuclear related commitments, with scores of +0.67 and +0.89 for their actions in reinforcing the Non-Proliferation Treaty and Comprehensive Test Ban Treaty.

Compliance was also very strong on Macroeconomic Policy: Unemployment. G8 members received an average score of +0.89 for their efforts in alleviating joblessness.

Within the two environment-related commitments, compliance varied. Member states were awarded a score of +0.67 for Emissions Reductions, up from last year's +0.22. Member states were given a score of +0.44 for Green Growth.

Trade received a score of +0.67, which continues the upward trend from last year's +0.22 and 2009's -0.78. (Note: While in 2009 and 2010 trade commitments concerned resisting protectionist pressures and liberalization, the 2011 commitment calls for increasing trade and investment with the Deauville Partnership countries.) Member states were awarded +0.78 for their commitment to Sustainable and Inclusive Growth, with specific respect to Partnership Countries.

Commitments dealing with development assistance featured the most striking consistency, and a moderate overall improvement. Member states received an average score of +0.56 for Official Development Assistance, a slight decrease from last year's +0.67. Likewise, they were awarded an average score of +0.44 for Development: African Union and Region. Member states again received a score of +0.44 for the Accountability on Development commitment.

The document's commitment on Regional Security: Somalia saw member-states receive a generally low average score of +0.22. This year's Terrorism-related commitment saw G8 member-states receive an average of +0.56.

Finally, G8 member states were awarded an average score of +0.78 for their commitment to ensuring the protection of intellectual property, and a +0.11 for their commitment to food security.

Future Research and Reports

The information contained within this report provides G8 member countries and other stakeholders with an indication of their compliance results in the post-Deauville period. As with previous compliance reports, this report has been produced as an invitation for others to provide additional or more complete information on country compliance. As always, comments are welcomed and would be considered as part of an analytical reassessment. Please send your feedback to g8@utoronto.ca.

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Table A: 2011 Deauville Final Compliance Scores

	Commitment Name	CDN	FRA	GER	ITA	JPN	RUS	UK	US	EU	Average
1	Green Growth [9]	0	0	0	0	+1	+1	+1	0	+1	+0.44
2	Macroeconomic Policy: Unemployment [29]	+1	+1	+1	+1	+1	+1	0	+1	+1	+0.89
3	Climate Change: Emissions Reductions [51]	+1	+1	0	0	+1	+1	+1	+1	0	+0.67
4	Maternal and Child Health [63]	+1	-1	+1	-1	-1	+1	-1	-1	+1	-0.11
5	Food and Agriculture [69]	+1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0.11
6	Accountability on Development [72]	+1	0	+1	0	+1	0	0	+1	0	+0.44
7	Nuclear Non-Proliferation [83]	0	0	+1	0	+1	+1	+1	+1	+1	+0.67
8	Nuclear Non-Proliferation [85]	+1	+1	+1	+1	+1	+1	+1	0	+1	+0.89
9	Good Governance: Afghanistan [97]	+1	+1	+1	+1	+1	+1	+1	+1	+1	+1
10	Crime and Corruption: Stolen Asset Recovery [107]	0	+1	-1	-1	-1	-1	0	+1	0	-0.22
11	Supporting Sustainable and Inclusive Growth [110]	0	+1	+1	+1	+1	0	+1	+1	+1	+0.78
12	Trade [113]	+1	+1	0	+1	0	0	+1	+1	+1	+0.67
13	Internet Economy: Intellectual Property [120]	+1	+1	0	+1	+1	+1	+1	0	+1	+0.78
14	Regional Security: Somalia [141]	0	0	0	+1	+1	0	0	0	0	+0.22
15	Terrorism [145]	+1	0	0	+1	0	+1	+1	+1	0	+0.56
16	Development [149]	0	0	+1	0	0	0	+1	+1	+1	+0.44
17	Official Development Assistance [165]	+1	+1	0	-1	+1	+1	+1	+1	0	+0.56
18	Non-Proliferation: National Systems Effectiveness [166]	+1	+1	+1	+1	+1	+1	+1	+1	+1	+1
	Final Compliance Average	0.67	0.50	0.44	0.33	0.56	0.56	0.61	0.61	0.61	0.54
	2011 Interim Compliance Average	0.56	0.33	0.44	0.17	0.44	0.39	0.50	0.67	0.61	0.46
	2010 Final Compliance Average	0.61	0.44	0.50	0.17	0.28	0.61	0.50	0.56	0.44	0.46
	2010 Interim Compliance Average	0.61	0.22	0.50	0.22	0.27	0.38	0.44	0.5	0.5	0.40
	2009 Final Compliance Average	0.67	0.42	0.42	0.04	0.75	0.33	0.83	0.63	0.67	0.53
	2009 Interim Compliance Average	0.5	0.25	0.29	-0.25	0.54	0.21	0.63	0.42	0.42	0.33