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MINUTES of the Twelfth Annual General Meeting of EURIM
held at 7 Millbank, London SW1 on Wednesday 15th June 2005

Lord Renwick(President) in the Chair

1 WELCOME

The Chairman welcomed members to the Twelfth Annual General Meeting of EURIM and drew attention to the notice convening the meeting.

2 DIRECTORS REPORT AND ACCOUNTS

The report and accounts for the year ended 31 December 2004 were received.

RESOLVED THAT: the Directors' report and financial statements be approved.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

3. AUDITORS

RESOLVED THAT: KPMG LLP be re-appointed auditors of the company and to authorise the Directors to fix their remuneration

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

4 DIRECTORS

4.1 Lord Renwick handed the chair to Brian White and it was

RESOLVED THAT: the Earl of Erroll, Malcolm Harbour MEP, Lord McNally, Margaret Moran MP, Lord Randall of St Budeaux, Lord Renwick, and Ian Taylor, MBE MP be re-elected to serve as Directors of the Company

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

4.2 Brian White asked that thanks be recorded to John McWilliam, a founder director of EURIM, for his foresight in establishing EURIM to meet a need that PITCOM could not fulfil and also for his continuing support. This was agreed.

5. CHAIRMAN

Lord Renwick resumed the chair, and announced that Margaret Moran had agreed to be the next Chairman of EURIM and Ian Taylor to be Vice-Chairman. Both had sent their apologies that they could not be present.

6 BRIAN WHITE

6.1 RESOLVED THAT thanks be recorded to Brian White not only for his very significant contribution to EURIM during his term as Chairman but also for the way that he personally helped move debate forward on many areas of concern and interest to EURIM members and that he be granted Honorary Membership with immediate effect.
CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

6.2 In response Brian White referred to the need to educate Parliamentarians in the widest sense. Most of them (and many civil servants too) did not understand the market side of IT issues nor the impact of their decisions in this area.. It was, he said, essential for EURIM to be ahead of legislation. The impact was often several years down the line and did not make immediate news. There was also a need to focus on what was going to happen and industry had to look ahead if was to get the benefit of the best possible legislation.

7 MANAGING COUNCIL

7.1 Parliamentary Members:

8 nominations had been received for the 15 places.

RESOLVED THAT: Giles Chichester MEP, Christopher Chope MP, Lord Crickhowell PC, Roger Gale MP, Bill Oler MP, Ian Stewart MP, Robert Walter MP and Derek Wyatt MP be elected as Parliamentary members of the Managing Council.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

7.2 Non-Parliamentary Members

12 nominations had been received for the 15 places

RESOLVED THAT: Mike Allen (Oakleigh), Stephen Darvill (Logica CMG), Chris Godwin (IBM), Michael Gough (NCC), Anne Heal (BT), Andy Long (Easynet), Nick Penston (CISCO), John Riley (Computer Weekly), Mike Rodd (BCS) and Malcolm Taylor (Telewest) be elected as non-Parliamentary members of the Managing Council
CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

8. The Chairman declared the AGM closed and. thanked all who had contributed to EURIM's success in the past year. He then opened an informal discussion on EURIM's priorities for the year ahead.