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IRS OVERSIGHT BOARD DISCUSSES IRS BUDGET, MODERNIZATION, AND HUMAN RESOURCES

(Washington, DC) The IRS Oversight Board met on Tuesday, July 31, 2001 to review and discuss matters relating to the administration of the IRS. The Board heard presentations on:

- IRS FY2003 Budget, led by Todd Grams, IRS Chief Financial Officer
- Modernization and the Information Technology Investment Account (ITIA) led by John Reece, IRS Deputy Commissioner and Chief Information Officer
- Human Resources and Organization led by Dave Mader, IRS Assistant Deputy Commissioner

Representatives Rob Portman (R-OH) and Benjamin L. Cardin (D-MD) spoke to the Board and encouraged it to continue to communicate with Members of Congress.

"The IRS Oversight Board is closely following the progress of the IRS FY2002 budget, and has begun discussing the IRS FY2003 budget with officials at the Department of Treasury and the IRS," said Larry R. Levitan, Board Chairman.

The Modernization and Organization and Personnel Committees of the Board met on July 30, 2001.

The IRS Oversight Board is required by the Internal Revenue Service Restructuring and Reform Act of 1998 to review and approve the budget prepared by the IRS Commissioner. The Board also must review IRS operations, including modernizing the tax system, outsourcing, managed competition, training, and education.

The next Board meeting will be held September 12-13, 2001 in Washington, DC.

