

JOINT COMMITTEE ON TAXATION

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The Internal Revenue Service Restructuring and Reform Act of 1998 (the “IRS Reform Act”) requires the Chairman of the Joint Committee on Taxation to convene a joint review of the strategic plans and budget of the IRS. The joint review is to be held before June 1 of the calendar years 1999 through 2003. The joint review is to include two Members of the majority and one Member of the minority from each of the House Committees on Ways and Means, Appropriations, and Government Reform, and the Senate Committees on Finance, Appropriations, and Governmental Affairs.

Pursuant to the IRS Reform Act, Congressman Bill Thomas, Chairman, Joint Committee on Taxation, has scheduled a joint review of the IRS strategic plans and fiscal year 2004 budget for **Tuesday, May 20, 2003, in room 1100 of the Longworth House Office Building beginning at 10:00 a.m.** The joint review will be open to the public.

Witness List

The Honorable Mark W. Everson, Commissioner, Internal Revenue Service

Ms. Nina E. Olson, National Taxpayer Advocate, Internal Revenue Service

Ms. Pamela J. Gardiner, Acting Treasury Inspector General for Tax Administration

The Honorable Larry R. Levitan, Member, IRS Oversight Board

Mr. James R. White, Director, Tax Issues, U.S. General Accounting Office