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Tracy Long is appointed to the Board of the National Endowment for Science, Technology & the Arts

Estelle Morris, Minister for the Arts, announced today that Tracy Long has been appointed as a Trustee of the National Endowment for Science, Technology & the Arts (NESTA). The term of appointment will run from 15 December 2003 to 14 November 2007.

Biographical notes:

Tracy Long has extensive experience in media and private equity, and currently serves as a non-executive director on a portfolio of companies covering the media, technology and not-for-profit sectors. Previously she was a founding director of Avalon Productions and Classic FM, and a director of BSkyB and Botts and Co. She is on the advisory board of the LSO and the Royal Academy of Music, and is a doctoral student at Henley Management College. She has not undertaken any political activity in the last five years.

Note to Editors:

The National Lottery Act 1998 confers a specific responsibility on Trustees of NESTA (the UK's first national endowment) to devise and implement appropriate means of achieving NESTA's main objective of supporting and promoting talent, innovation and creativity in the field of science, technology and the arts. Trustees are expected to enhance the endowment by developing and introducing a policy for investing it, through the acquisition of intellectual property, and by fund raising. All these activities are subject to the guidelines established by the 1998 Act, and related Directions issued by the Secretary of State for Culture Media & Sport.

Committee members do not receive a salary but may claim reasonable travel and subsistence including an honorarium of £165 per day.