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I. OPENING OF THE SESSION

(Agenda item 1)

1. The second session of the Subsidiary Body for Implementation (hereinafter referred to as "the SBI") was held at Geneva from 27 February to 4 March 1996.
2. The Vice-Chairman of the SBI, Mr. Bert Metz, opened the session at the first meeting, on 27 February 1996.
3. The Executive Secretary, Mr. Michael Zammit Cutajar welcomed all participants to the session. He referred to his statement at the opening of the SBSTA, which was also pertinent to the work of the SBI. He highlighted two points on the agenda of the SBI to which delegations might wish to give thought before they came forward for discussion, namely, the legal arrangements for the relocation of the secretariat to Bonn (item 7 (b) of the provisional agenda) and political aspects of the preparations for the second session of the Conference of the Parties (COP 2).

II. ORGANIZATIONAL MATTERS

(Agenda item 2)

A. Adoption of the agenda

(Agenda item 2 (a))

4. At its first meeting, on 27 February, the SBI adopted the following agenda:
 1. Opening of the session.
 2. Organizational matters:
 - (a) Adoption of the agenda;
 - (b) Organization of work of the session.
 3. National communications:
 - (a) Communications from Parties included in Annex I to the Convention:
 - (i) Progress report on in-depth reviews;
 - (ii) Elements of the second compilation and synthesis report (policy aspects).

- (b) Communications from Parties not included in Annex I to the Convention: issues related to the compilation and consideration of information.
- 4. Financial and technical cooperation:
 - (a) Matters relating to the financial mechanism;
 - (b) Technical and financial cooperation: progress report;
- 5. Transfer of technology.
- 6. Matters arising from sessions of other bodies:
 - (a) Conclusions of the Subsidiary Body for Scientific and Technological Advice on a reporting framework for activities implemented jointly under the pilot phase.
- 7. Institutional and budgetary matters:
 - (a) Update on implementation of decisions 14/CP.1, 15/CP.1, 17/CP.1 and 18/CP.1 of the Conference of the Parties;
 - (b) Arrangements for relocation of the Convention secretariat to Bonn.
- 8. Arrangements for the second session of the Conference of the Parties.
- 9. Review of the programme of work, 1996-1997.
- 10. Report on the session.

B. Organization of work of the session
(Agenda item 2 (b))

5. At its 1st meeting on 27 February, the Vice-Chairman recalled that there would be services available for formal meetings in the afternoons between 3 p.m. and 6 p.m. In addition, facilities would be available in the mornings between 10 a.m. and 1 p.m. for informal meetings. The Vice-Chairman also referred to the documentation, as mentioned in document FCCC/SBI/1996/1/Add.1, paragraph 3 and annex I.

6. On the subject of applications for accreditation to sessions of the subsidiary bodies of the Convention, the SBI agreed to admit new applicant organizations that had been screened by the secretariat, on the basis of the provisions of Article 7.6 of the Convention, without prejudice to subsequent action by the COP.

7. Further, in accordance with the recommendation of the Bureau of the COP, the SBI agreed to maintain its policy that non-governmental organizations would be admitted to the floor before and after meetings only. In relation to this, the Vice-Chairman indicated his readiness to follow the procedure adopted by the Chairman of the SBSTA and to explore with him the possibilities for flexibility on this policy and expressed his willingness to discuss the matters, as necessary with concerned non-governmental organizations.

C. Attendance

8. The lists of attendance at the second session of the SBI are given in annex I below.

D. Documentation

9. The documents prepared for the SBI at its second session are listed in annex II below.

III. NATIONAL COMMUNICATIONS

(Agenda item 3)

1. Proceedings

A. Communications from Parties included in Annex I to the Convention

10. At its 1st meeting, on 27 February 1996, the SBI addressed the item on national communications from Parties included in Annex I to the Convention. It had before it two documents prepared by the secretariat (FCCC/SB/1996/1 and FCCC/SB/1996/2).

11. Statements were made by the representatives of six Parties including one speaking on behalf of the European Community.

2. Conclusions

12. On the basis of the proposals by the Chairman, the SBI, at its ... meeting on ... March adopted the following conclusions.

(to be completed)

B. Communications from Parties not included in Annex I to the Convention:
issues related to the compilation and consideration of information

1. Proceedings

13. At its meeting on ... February, the SBI addressed the item on communications from Parties not included in Annex I to the Convention. It had before it a note prepared by the secretariat (FCCC/SB/1996/3).

14. Statements were made by the representatives of ... Parties [including one speaking on behalf of the European Community and one speaking on behalf of the Group of 77 and China] [and non-parties].

15. The representatives of --- also made statements.

2. Conclusions

16. On the basis of the proposals by the Chairman, the SBI adopted the following conclusions.

[to be completed]

IV. FINANCIAL AND TECHNICAL MECHANISM
(Agenda item 4)

A. Matters relating to the financial mechanism

1. Proceedings

17. At its meeting on 28 February, the SBI addressed the item on financial and technical cooperation. It had before it a note prepared by the secretariat (FCCC/SBI/1996/3).

18. Statements were made by the representatives of ... Parties [including one speaking on behalf of the European Community and one speaking on behalf of the Group of 77 and China] [and non-parties].

19. The representatives of --- also made statements.

2. Conclusions

20. On the basis of the proposals by the Chairman, the SBI adopted the following conclusions.

[to be completed]

B. Technical and financial cooperation: progress report

1. Proceedings

21. At its meeting on 28 February, the SBI addressed the item on financial and technical cooperation. It had before it a note prepared by the secretariat (FCCC/SBI/1996/4).

22. Statements were made by the representatives of ... Parties [including one speaking on behalf of the European Community and one speaking on behalf of the Group of 77 and China] [and non-parties].

23. The representatives of --- also made statements.

2. Conclusions

24. On the basis of the proposals by the Chairman, the SBI adopted the following conclusions.

[to be completed]

V. TRANSFER OF TECHNOLOGY

(Agenda item 5)

1. Proceedings

25. At its meeting on ... February, the SBI addressed the item on transfer of technology. It had before it a note prepared by the secretariat (FCCC/SBI/1996/5).

26. Statements were made by the representatives of ... Parties [including one speaking on behalf of the European Community and one speaking on behalf of the Group of 77 and China] [and non-parties].

27. The representatives of --- also made statements.

2. Conclusions

28. On the basis of the proposals by the Chairman, the SBI adopted the following conclusions.

[to be completed]

VI. MATTERS ARISING FROM SESSIONS OF OTHER BODIES

(Agenda item 6)

A. Conclusions of the Subsidiary Body for Scientific and Technological Advice on a reporting framework for activities implemented jointly under the pilot phase

1. Proceedings

29. At its ... meeting on ... February, the SBSTA addressed the item on activities implemented jointly under the pilot phase. It had before it a note prepared by the secretariat (FCCC/SBSTA/1996/5).

30. Statements were made by the representatives of ... Parties [including one speaking on behalf of the European Community and one speaking on behalf of the Group of 77 and China] [and non-parties].

31. The representatives of --- also made statements.

2. Conclusions

32. On the basis of the proposals by the Chairman, the SBI adopted the following conclusions.

[to be completed]

VII. INSTITUTIONAL AND BUDGETARY MATTERS

(Agenda item 7)

A. Update on implementation of decisions 14/CP.1, 15/CP.1, 17/CP.1 and 18/CP.1 of the Conference of the Parties

1. Proceedings

33. At its ... meeting on 29 February, the SBI addressed the item on institutional and budgetary matters. It had before it a note prepared by the secretariat (FCCC/SBI/1996/6).

34. No statements were made.

2. Conclusions

35. On the basis of the proposals by the Chairman, the SBI, at its 3rd meeting, on 29 February, adopted the following conclusions.

(a) The SBI took note of the information provided by the Executive Secretary (see FCCC/SBI/1996/6), including, *inter alia*, of the fact that important institutional and budgetary matters are to be considered by the General Assembly at its fifty-first, fifty-second and fifty-fourth sessions, and by the Advisory Committee on Administrative and Budgetary Questions.

(b) The SBI strongly encouraged Parties to pay promptly and in full their contributions to the core administrative budget, which were due on 1 January 1996, and invited Parties to make generous contributions to the other voluntary funds to meet needs for 1996.

B. Arrangements for relocation of the Convention secretariat to Bonn

1. Proceedings

36. At its meeting on 29 February, the SBI addressed the item on institutional and budgetary matters. It had before it a note prepared by the secretariat (FCCC/SBI/1996/7).

37. Statements were made by the representatives of five Parties including one speaking on behalf of the European Community.

2. Conclusions

38. On the basis of the proposals by the Chairman, the SBI adopted the following conclusions.

[to be completed]

**VIII. ARRANGEMENTS FOR THE SECOND SESSION OF
THE CONFERENCE OF THE PARTIES**

(Agenda item 8)

1. Proceedings

39. At its meeting on 29 February, the SBI addressed the item on arrangements for the second session of the Conference of the Parties. It had before it a note prepared by the secretariat (FCCC/SBI/1996/8).

40. Statements were made by the representatives of 10 Parties including one speaking on behalf of the European Community. A statement was also by the representative of an observer State.

2. Conclusions

41. On the basis of the proposals by the Chairman, the SBI at its third meeting on 27 February, adopted the following conclusions.

(a) The SBI took note with appreciation of the interest expressed by the African Group to provide a candidate for the Presidency of the Conference of the Parties at its second session (COP 2);

(b) The SBI urged States that have not taken action to become Parties to the Convention to deposit their instruments of ratification or accession by 9 April 1996, so as to be able to participate as Parties in COP 2 from the opening day;

(c) The SBI invited Parties to contribute generously to the trust fund for participation in the Convention process and expresses the hope that sufficient contributions will be made to enable the secretariat to fund two delegates from each eligible Party to attend COP 2, at least from those that are least developed countries and small island developing countries;

(d) The SBI welcomed the offer of the Government of Canada to organize a "Climate Change Technology Exhibit" in conjunction with COP 2 and noted that this will be done in consultation with the Convention secretariat;

(e) The SBI requested the Executive Secretary to proceed with the organizational preparations for COP 2 on the basis of the proposals contained in document FCCC/SBI/1996/8 concerning, inter alia, the provisional agenda, the schedule of meetings and the admission of organizations as observers.

[to be completed]

IX. REVIEW OF THE PROGRAMME OF WORK, 1996-1997

(Agenda item 9)

1. Proceedings

42. At its ... meeting on ... February, the SBI addressed the item on the review of the programme of work, 1996-1997. It had before it a note prepared by the secretariat (FCCC/SBI/1996/2).

43. Statements were made by the representatives of ... Parties [including one speaking on behalf of the European Community and one speaking on behalf of the Group of 77 and China] [and non-parties].

44. The representatives of --- also made statements.

2. Conclusions

45. On the basis of the proposals by the Chairman, the SBI adopted the following conclusions.

[to be completed]

X. REPORT ON THE SESSION

(Agenda item 10)

46. At its ... meeting, on ... March, the Rapporteur presented the first part of the draft report of the session (FCCC/SBI/1996/L.1). The SBI considered and adopted the first part of the draft report. It also requested the Rapporteur, under the guidance of the Chairman and with the assistance of the secretariat, to complete the report of the session taking into account the discussions during the session and the need for editorial adjustments.

47. The Chairman, after thanking all participants for their constructive cooperation, declared the second session of the SBI closed.
