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Note by the Executive Secretary

Addendum

FINANCIAL PROCEDURES

Indicative scales of contributions to the administrative budget
of the Convention for 1996 and 1997

1. The Intergovernmental Negotiating Committee for a Framework Convention on Climate Change, at its eleventh session, recommended that the Conference of the Parties (COP), at its first session, adopt a set of financial procedures for the Conference of the Parties to the United Nations Framework Convention on Climate Change, its subsidiary bodies and its permanent secretariat (A/AC.237/91/Add.1, conclusion (k)). The recommended procedures include the following provision with respect to contributions to the administrative budget of the Convention:

"7. The resources of the Conference of the Parties shall comprise:

(a) Contributions made each year by Parties on the basis of an indicative scale, adopted by consensus by the Conference of the Parties, and based on such a scale of assessments of the United Nations as may be adopted from time to time by the General Assembly, adjusted so as to ensure that no Party contributes less than 0.01 per cent of the total; that no one contribution exceeds 25 per cent of the total; and that no contribution from a least developed country Party exceeds 0.01 per cent of the total;"

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2. The annex to the present document contains two tables (in English only) presenting indicative scales of contributions for 1996 and 1997 that correspond to the above-mentioned criteria. They are based on the United Nations scales of assessment for 1996 and 1997, as adopted by the General Assembly at its forty-ninth session, and on information that was available on 28 February 1995 concerning the status of ratification of the Convention.

3. The Conference may wish to adopt the indicative scales annexed hereto as the basis for contributions, under paragraph 7 (a) of the financial procedures, to the administrative budget of the Convention for 1996 and 1997.

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