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CONCLUSION OF OUTSTANDING ISSUES AND
ADOPTION OF DECISIONS

Draft decision on transfer of technology submitted by the
Chairman of the Committee of the Whole

The Committee of the Whole recommends to the Conference of the Parties the adoption of the following decision:

Transfer of technology

The Conference of the Parties,

Recalling the relevant provisions of chapter 34 of Agenda 21 on "Transfer of environmentally sound technology, cooperation and capacity-building",

Pursuant to the relevant provisions of the United Nations Framework Convention on Climate Change, in particular, Articles 4.1, 4.5, 4.7, 4.9, 9.2 and 11.1,

1. Requests the secretariat of the Convention:

(a) To prepare an itemized progress report (according to the types of activities specified in paragraphs 34.15 to 34.28, inclusive, of chapter 34 of Agenda 21) on concrete measures taken by the Parties listed in Annex II to the Convention, with respect to their commitments related to the transfer of environmentally sound technologies and the know-how necessary to mitigate and facilitate adequate adaptation to climate change; and, at the same time,

(b) To collect information from relevant sources, from, inter alia, the Commission on Sustainable Development, United Nations agencies, the Intergovernmental Panel on Climate Change and the Subsidiary Body for Scientific and Technological Advice, and to prepare an inventory and assessment of environmentally sound and economically viable technologies and know-how conducive to mitigating and adapting to climate change. This inventory should also include an elaboration of the terms under which such transfers could take place;

2. Further requests the secretariat of the Convention:

(a) To submit the documents referred to in paragraphs 1 (a) and (b) above, through the Subsidiary Body for Scientific and Technological Advice, to the Conference of the Parties at its second session, and to update them at regular intervals (each interval not to exceed a year) for consideration by the Conference of the Parties at each of its sessions;

(b) To take the advice of the Subsidiary Body for Scientific and Technological Advice (as described in paragraph 3 of the "Functions to be carried out by the Subsidiary Body for Scientific and Technological Advice" (included in annex I to the decision adopted by the Conference of the Parties on the subsidiary bodies established by the Convention) ^{1/} in implementing these responsibilities and to coordinate this matter with the relevant United Nations agencies and other organizations and institutions;

3. Urges:

(a) The Parties listed in Annex II to the Convention to include in their national communications ^{2/} the measures taken for the transfer of technology in order to enable the secretariat of the Convention to compile, analyse and then submit the above-mentioned documents to each session of the Conference of the Parties;

(b) Other Parties to include in their communications, where possible, information on measures taken for the transfer of technology in order to enable the secretariat of the Convention to compile, analyse and then submit the above-mentioned documents to each session of the Conference of the Parties;

^{1/} See decision ___ on the subsidiary bodies established by the Convention, in document FCCC/CP/1995/L.5/Rev.1.

^{2/} The term "national communications" includes communications from the regional economic integration organization included in Annex I to the Convention.

4. Decides:

(a) To review, at the second session of the Conference of the Parties, and at each session of the Conference of the Parties thereafter, the implementation of Article 4.5 and 4.1(c) as a separate agenda item under "Matters relating to commitments";

(b) To provide continuous advice to improve the operational modalities for the effective transfer of technology;

(c) **To support and promote the development of endogenous capacities and appropriate technology relevant to the objectives of the Convention in developing countries which are Parties to the Convention.**
