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NATIONAL COMMUNICATIONS FROM PARTIES INCLUDED IN ANNEX I TO THE CONVENTION

MATTERS REFERRED BY THE SUBSIDIARY BODY FOR SCIENTIFIC AND TECHNOLOGICAL ADVICE

Draft conclusions by the Chairman

1.   The Subsidiary Body for Implementation (SBI) noted the conclusions of the Subsidiary Body for Scientific and Technological Advice (SBSTA) on revised guidelines for the preparation of national communications by Parties included in Annex I to the Convention, part I: UNFCCC reporting guidelines on annual inventories.

2.   The SBI agreed to recommend jointly with the SBSTA, a draft decision on the revised guidelines for adoption by the Conference of the Parties at its fifth session (see document FCCC/SBSTA/1999/L.5, annex).

3.   The SBI, following the advice of the SBSTA, agreed to set up a two-year trial period beginning in early 2000, to assess the UNFCCC reporting guidelines on annual inventories, particularly the common reporting format, with a view to revising them at COP 7, taking into consideration, *inter alia*, experience gained by Parties and the secretariat, and the input of the Intergovernmental Panel on Climate Change (IPCC);

4.   The SBI noted that the SBSTA had begun, but not concluded, its work on revision to the guidelines for the preparation of national communications by Parties included in Annex I to the Convention, part II: UNFCCC reporting guidelines on projections, policies and measures, financial resources and transfer of technology, and other matters. It further noted that the

SBSTA, upon completion of its work on part II of the guidelines, would forward to the SBI, at its eleventh session, the recommended revisions to part II of the guidelines for its consideration, with the aim of submitting revised guidelines for adoption by the COP at its fifth session.

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