



SUBSIDIARY BODY FOR SCIENTIFIC AND TECHNOLOGICAL ADVICE

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Agenda item 5 (a)

METHODOLOGICAL ISSUES

LAND-USE, LAND-USE CHANGE AND FORESTRY

(Decision 1/CP.3, paragraph 5 (a))

Draft conclusions by the Chairman

1. At its _ meeting, having considered a proposal by the Chairman on the basis of inputs from the contact group, the Subsidiary Body for Scientific and Technological Advice (SBSTA), recalling decision 9/CP.4, adopted the following conclusions:

(a) The SBSTA took note with appreciation of documents FCCC/SBSTA/1999/5 and FCCC/SBSTA/1999/INF.5 prepared by the secretariat. It invited Parties to review, and where possible to respond to, the questions posed in tables 1 and 2 of document FCCC/SBSTA/1999/5, and to identify any additional policy or procedural questions. It requested Parties to provide submissions, where possible electronically, on those issues by 16 August 1999, for compilation into a miscellaneous document, and for consideration by the SBSTA at its eleventh session, prior to substantive decision-making following consideration of the Intergovernmental Panel on Climate Change (IPCC) special report on land-use, land-use change and forestry;

(b) The SBSTA invited the IPCC, in conjunction with the SBSTA at its eleventh session, to provide an in-depth progress report, and to convene a special side event, on the draft IPCC special report on land-use, land-use change and forestry;

(c) The SBSTA decided to further consider, at its eleventh session, the process and timing for the analysis of the information provided by the IPCC special report on land-use, land-use change and forestry, and the process for developing its work programme on land-use, land-use change and forestry in order to fulfil, *inter alia*, the provisions of decision 9/CP.4;

(d) The SBSTA requested the secretariat to organize a workshop, with participation by experts, between SBSTA 12 and COP 6. The purpose of the workshop would be to analyse the IPCC special report on land-use, land-use change and forestry in the context of the requirements of the Kyoto Protocol. The SBSTA invited Parties to provide the secretariat with guidance by 1 February 2000 on the scope of this workshop, which may include data, information and a decision-making framework;

(e) The SBSTA invited the IPCC to develop a work plan addressing methodological issues raised in the IPCC special report on land-use, land-use change and forestry in the context of the IPCC 1996 Revised Guidelines for National Greenhouse Gas Inventories in the areas of agriculture and land-use change and forestry, to commence as soon as practicable following completion of the special report;

(f) Given the importance of country-specific data and information, and of a decision-making framework, the SBSTA decided to begin the consideration, at its eleventh session, of the need for country-specific data and information and its relationship to a decision-making framework in the context of the requirements of the Kyoto Protocol. It requested Parties to provide submissions on this subject, where possible electronically, by 16 August 1999, for compilation into a miscellaneous document for consideration by the SBSTA at its eleventh session;

(g) The SBSTA noted that the secretariat would assess its capacity to carry out the activities requested in these conclusions in the light of the programme budget for 2000-2001 to be recommended by the Subsidiary Body for Implementation for approval by COP 5 (and of the overall calendar of meetings and workshops) and would report back on this matter to the SBSTA at its eleventh session.
