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NATIONAL COMMUNICATIONS FROM PARTIES NOT INCLUDED IN ANNEX I TO THE CONVENTION

REPORT OF THE WORKSHOP ON THE REVISION OF THE GUIDELINES FOR THE PREPARATION OF NATIONAL COMMUNICATIONS FROM PARTIES NOT INCLUDED IN ANNEX I TO THE CONVENTION

Draft conclusions proposed by the Chair

- 1. The Subsidiary Body for Implementation (SBI) took note of the report of the workshop on the revision of the guidelines for the preparation of national communications from Parties not included in Annex I to the Convention (non-Annex I Parties), as contained in document FCCC/SBI/2002/INF.2. The SBI also took note of the SBI Chairman's text for the improvement of the existing guidelines¹ for the preparation of national communications from non-Annex I Parties (FCCC/SBI/2002/INF.2, annex I).
- 2. The SBI took note of the views expressed by Parties on the SBI Chairman's text for the preparation of national communications from non-Annex I Parties. The SBI noted that not all developing and developed country Parties were able to attend the workshop where the SBI Chairman's text was discussed, and some Parties expressed the need to further consider this text.
- 3. The SBI recalled decision 32/CP.7 and the date of 5 August 2002 for the submission of views from Parties on the proposed improved guidelines, with a view to improving them at COP 8.
- 4. The SBI reiterated that, pursuant to Article 4, paragraph 3, of the Convention, developed country Parties and other developed Parties included in Annex II shall provide new and additional financial resources to meet the agreed full costs incurred by developing country Parties in accordance with Article 12, paragraph 1, and taking into account Article 4, paragraph 7, of the Convention.
- 5. The SBI took note that adequate funding for second national communications on the basis of the revised guidelines should be provided in accordance with Article 4, paragraph 3, and taking into account paragraph 7, of the Convention and noted the views expressed by some Parties on the need for the Conference of the Parties to provide guidance to the operating entity of the financial mechanism, with a view to providing adequate financial support in a timely manner to non-Annex I Parties for the preparation of national communications.
- 6. The SBI noted the views expressed by some Parties on the need to further consider the time frame for the submission of second national communication by non-Annex I Parties.

The existing guidelines for the preparation of national communications from non-Annex I Parties are contained in the annex to decision 10/CP.2.

- 7. The SBI commended the work of the Consultative Group of Experts on National Communications from Parties not included in Annex I to the Convention for the excellent work it had done in providing input to the proposals for the improvement of the guidelines for the preparation of national communications from non-Annex I Parties.
- 8. The SBI requested the secretariat to facilitate consideration of the SBI Chairman's text on the proposed improved guidelines for the preparation of national communications from non-Annex I Parties by inviting representatives of the GEF to provide at the seventeenth session of the SBI their views on funding of the activities outlined in the SBI Chairman's text. The SBI also requested the secretariat to organize at the same session a question-and-answer special side event on the issues mentioned above to enable Parties to have a substantive dialogue with the GEF representatives.

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