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**IMPLEMENTATION OF THE BUENOS AIRES PLAN OF ACTION: ADOPTION
OF THE DECISIONS GIVING EFFECT TO THE BONN AGREEMENTS**

**DRAFT DECISIONS FORWARDED FOR ELABORATION, COMPLETION
AND ADOPTION**

Land use, land-use change and forestry

Views from a Party

Note by the secretariat

Addendum

1. The Conference of the Parties, at the second part of its sixth session, forwarded the draft decision "Land use, land-use change and forestry" for elaboration, completion and adoption at its seventh session (see FCCC/CP/2001/5/Add.2, section I).
2. Croatia has provided an additional submission* relating to the above-mentioned draft decision. In accordance with the procedure for miscellaneous documents, this submission is attached and reproduced in the language in which it was received and without formal editing.

* The secretariat has made every effort to ensure the correct reproduction of the text as submitted.

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SUBMISSION BY CROATIA

Letter dated 2 November 2001 from the Ministry of Environmental Protection and Physical Planning, Croatia, to the Executive Secretary regarding implementation of the Buenos Aires Plan of Action: Adoption of the decisions giving effect to the Bonn Agreements: Draft decisions forwarded for elaboration, completion and adoption: Land use, land-use change and forestry

At the resumed session of the Conference of Parties to the UN Framework convention on Climate Change (UNFCCC) in Bonn, July 2001, omission of quantitative value for Croatia has been recognized in the Appendix to document FCCC/CP/2001/L.11/Rev.1. Hereby Croatia is submitting the value for accounting greenhouse gases sinks under provisions of Articles 3.3 and 3.4 of the Kyoto protocol to the UNFCCC.

We are noting here that 36 percent of Croatia is currently covered by forests, emphasizing that 43.5 percent of its territory is characterized as forests and forestland, being reserved or planned for future afforestation/reforestation. In that respect the articles 3.3 and 3.4 are of great importance to Croatia as a feasible measure to comply with Kyoto commitments. As it had already been stated in our previous letter to Your Excellency, Croatia is facing great problems in meeting its future Kyoto commitments, due to relatively low base emission and growing energy needs. This is a very specific situation of urgent need for constructing new significant power capacities as a substitution for the lost ones, due to dissolution of former Yugoslavia.

Based on available national data, taking into account the methodological guidance adopted for setting up the quantitative values for the Appendix, and emphasizing the effort needed to meet Kyoto commitments and forest management implemented, **Croatia is proposing the value of 0.62 Mt C/year.**

We would appreciate if you considered this submission in due time of COP7 event in Marrakech, in order to contribute to the completion of the documents FCCC/CP/2001/5/Add.2 submitted for its consideration on COP7.
