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Ninth session of the Conference of the Parties (COP 9)

Provisional agenda

1. Opening of the session:
 - (a) Statement by the President of the Conference at its eighth session;
 - (b) Election of the President of the Conference at its ninth session;
 - (c) Statement by the President;
 - (d) Addresses of welcome;
 - (e) Statement by the Executive Secretary.
2. Organizational matters:
 - (a) Status of ratification of the Convention and its Kyoto Protocol;
 - (b) Adoption of the rules of procedure;
 - (c) Adoption of the agenda;
 - (d) Election of officers other than the President;
 - (e) Admission of organizations as observers;
 - (f) Organization of work, including the sessions of the subsidiary bodies;
 - (g) Date and venue of the tenth session of the Conference of the Parties;
 - (h) Calendar of meetings of Convention bodies, 2004–2008;
 - (i) Adoption of the report on credentials.
3. Reports of the subsidiary bodies and decisions and conclusions arising therefrom:
 - (a) Report of the Subsidiary Body for Scientific and Technological Advice;
 - (b) Report of the Subsidiary Body for Implementation.
4. Review of implementation of commitments and of other provisions of the Convention:
 - (a) Financial mechanism of the Convention:
 - (i) Report of the Global Environment Facility to the Conference of the Parties;
 - (ii) Funding under the Convention;
 - (iii) Additional guidance to the Global Environment Facility.
 - (b) National communications:
 - (i) National communications from Parties included in Annex I to the Convention;
 - (ii) National communications from Parties not included in Annex I to the Convention.
 - (c) Capacity-building;
 - (d) Development and transfer of technologies;
 - (e) Implementation of Article 4, paragraph 8, of the Convention;
 - (f) Matters relating to the least developed countries;
 - (g) Research and systematic observation;

- (h) Other matters referred to the Conference of the Parties by the subsidiary bodies.
- 5. Second review of the adequacy of Article 4, paragraph 2 (a) and (b), of the Convention.¹
- 6. Request from a group of countries of Central Asia and the Caucasus, Albania and the Republic of Moldova regarding their status under the Convention.
- 7. Preparations for the first session of the Conference of the Parties serving as the meeting of the Parties to the Kyoto Protocol:
 - (a) Arrangements for the first session of the Conference of the Parties serving as the meeting of the Parties to the Kyoto Protocol;
 - (b) Definitions and modalities for including afforestation and reforestation activities under Article 12 of the Kyoto Protocol;
 - (c) Matters relating to Article 2, paragraph 3, of the Kyoto Protocol;²
 - (d) Proposal by Canada for a decision on modalities for the accounting of assigned amounts under Article 7, paragraph 4, of the Kyoto Protocol in relation to cleaner energy exports;³
 - (e) Other matters referred to the Conference of the Parties by the subsidiary bodies.
- 8. Report of the Executive Board of the clean development mechanism.
- 9. Administrative and financial matters:
 - (a) Income and budget performance in the biennium 2002–2003;
 - (b) Programme budget for the biennium 2004–2005.
- 10. Round-table discussions among ministers and other heads of delegation.
- 11. Statements by observer organizations:
 - (a) Statements by United Nations bodies and specialized agencies;
 - (b) Statements by intergovernmental organizations;
 - (c) Statements by non-governmental organizations.
- 12. Other matters.
- 13. Conclusion of the session:
 - (a) Adoption of the report of the Conference on its ninth session;
 - (b) Closure of the session.

¹ The Conference of the Parties (COP) at its fifth session could not reach any conclusion on this matter (FCCC/CP/1999/6, para. 18), and following rules 10 (c) and 16 of the draft rules of procedure being applied the item was included in the provisional agenda for the sixth and seventh sessions with a footnote reflecting a proposal made by the Group of 77 and China to amend the item to read “Review of the adequacy of implementation of Article 4, paragraph 2 (a) and (b) of the Convention”. At its eighth session, the COP decided to include the item in the provisional agenda for its ninth session, accompanied by an appropriate explanatory footnote (see FCCC/CP/2002/7, paras. 23–24).

² At the request of Saudi Arabia, this item was included in the provisional agenda for the COP at its eighth session. Following the inability of the COP to reach any conclusion on this matter at its eighth session, the COP decided to include this item in the provisional agenda for its ninth session, accompanied by an appropriate explanatory footnote (see FCCC/CP/2002/7, paras. 23–24).

³ At the request of Canada, this item was included in the provisional agenda for the COP at its eighth session.. Following the inability of the COP to reach any conclusion on this matter at its eighth session, the COP decided to include this item in the provisional agenda for its ninth session, accompanied by an appropriate explanatory footnote (see FCCC/CP/2002/7, paras. 23–24).