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NOTIFICATION
Communication from Belarus

On 26 October 2009, the secretariat received a letter dated 26 October 2009 from Belarus. In its communication, Belarus requested the secretariat to communicate to the Parties to the Kyoto Protocol a proposal from Belarus concerning acceptance of the amendment to Annex B to the Kyoto Protocol as per decision 10/CMP.2. Belarus also requested the secretariat to inform Parties that during the fifth session of the Conference of the Parties serving as the meeting of the Parties to the Kyoto Protocol (CMP 5), Belarus intends to table a proposal for a CMP decision concerning this matter.

The communication from Belarus is attached.

Yours sincerely,

(original signed by Feng Gao for)

Yvo de Boer

Distribution: To Parties to the Kyoto Protocol and Parties and signatories to the Convention through National Focal Points for climate change and Permanent Missions to the United Nations.



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UNFCCC Secretariat

Dear Sir / Madam,

Hereby the Ministry of Natural Resources and Environmental Protection of the Republic of Belarus would kindly ask the UNFCCC Secretariat to communicate to the Parties to the Kyoto Protocol the attached proposal from the Republic of Belarus concerning amendment to Annex B to the Kyoto Protocol as per decision 10/CMP.2.

Please also inform the Parties to the Kyoto Protocol that during the fifth Conference of the Parties serving as the meeting of the Parties to the Kyoto Protocol the Republic of Belarus intends to make respective submission to a CMP decision, which may be adopted by the Parties under item 10 of the CMP provisional agenda, in order to invite the Parties that have not yet accepted the aforementioned amendment to proceed to their acceptance procedure concerning this amendment in conjunction with acceptance procedure concerning any next amendment to the Kyoto Protocol or any next amendment to annexes to the Kyoto Protocol.

The Ministry of Natural Resources and Environmental Protection of the Republic of Belarus would very much appreciate if you could place the attached submission of the Republic of Belarus on UNFCCC website.

The Ministry of Natural Resources and Environmental Protection of the Republic of Belarus expresses its gratitude to the Secretariat of the United Nations Framework Convention on Climate Change for assistance.

Yours sincerely,

Mr. Aleksander Apatsky

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Acceptance of amendment to Annex B to the Kyoto Protocol as per decision 10/CMP.2 in conjunction with acceptance of any next amendment to the Kyoto Protocol or any next amendment to annexes to this Protocol pending such acceptance

The Republic of Belarus,

Recalling decision 10/CMP.2 with regard to amendment to Annex B to the Kyoto Protocol and a quantified emission reduction commitment assumed by the Republic of Belarus according to that decision,

Recognizing that having access to the Kyoto flexible mechanisms under Articles 6, 12 and 17 of the Kyoto Protocol is very important for the Republic of Belarus in order to increase the country's climate change mitigation potential,

Acknowledging the progress the Republic of Belarus is making in achieving Kyoto mechanisms eligibility requirements,

Taking into account that for the aforementioned amendment to Annex B to the Kyoto Protocol the acceptance procedure prescribed in Article 21 of the Kyoto Protocol already takes inadmissibly long,

Taking also into account the upcoming process of acceptance of new amendments to the Kyoto Protocol or to its annexes as per decisions to be adopted by the Conference of the Parties serving as the meeting of the Parties to the Kyoto Protocol in Copenhagen,

Invites the Parties to the Kyoto Protocol that have not yet accepted the amendment to Annex B to the Kyoto Protocol as per decision 10/CMP.2 to proceed to their acceptance procedure concerning this amendment in conjunction with acceptance procedure concerning any next amendment to the Kyoto Protocol or any next amendment to annexes to the Kyoto Protocol pending such acceptance.