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on its seventeenth session**

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List of documents before the Subsidiary Body for Implementation at its seventeenth session

¹ The annex will be included in the final version of the report to be issued under the symbol FCCC/SBI/2002/17.

I. OPENING OF THE SESSION

(Agenda item 1)

1. The seventeenth session of the Subsidiary Body for Implementation (SBI) was held at the Vigyan Bhawan conference centre, New Delhi, India, from 23 to 29 October 2002.
2. The Chair of the SBI, Mr. Raúl Estrada-Oyuela (Argentina) opened the session on 23 October 2002 and welcomed all Parties and observers to the session.

[to be completed]

II. ORGANIZATIONAL MATTERS

(Agenda item 2)

A. Adoption of the agenda

(Agenda item 2 (a))

3. At its 1st meeting, on 23 October, the SBI considered a note by the Executive Secretary containing the provisional agenda and annotations (FCCC/SBI/2002/7).
4. At the same meeting, a request was made by the representative of one Party to amend the title of agenda item 4 (b) as follows: improvement of the guidelines for the preparation of national communications from Parties not included in Annex I to the Convention. The SBI adopted the agenda as amended.

B. Organization of the work of the session

(Agenda item 2 (b))

5. The SBI considered this sub-item at its 1st meeting, on 23 October, at which the Chair drew attention to the tentative schedule contained in document FCCC/CP/2002/1/Add.1, annex I, noting that it should be used as a guide and might be modified.

[to be completed]

C. Election of officers other than the Chair

(Agenda item 2 (c))

6. The SBI considered this sub-item at its 1st meeting, on 23 October. The Chair recalled rule 27 of the draft rules of procedure being applied, whereby the SBI is expected to elect its own Vice-Chair and Rapporteur. Such an election was last held at SBI 15 leading to the election of the current incumbents. He also informed the SBI that consultations were still going on and that he would keep delegates informed of any progress made.

[to be completed]

**III. NATIONAL COMMUNICATIONS FROM PARTIES INCLUDED IN
ANNEX I TO THE CONVENTION**

(Agenda item 3)

**A. Consideration of the reviews of national communications
from Parties included in Annex I to the Convention**

(Agenda item 3 (a))

B. Status report on the review of third national communications

(Agenda item 3 (b))

1. Proceedings

7. The SBI considered this item at its 1st, 2nd and [7th] meetings, on 23, 24 and [29] October, respectively. It had before it documents FCCC/SBI/2002/3, FCCC/SBI/2002/INF.6 and FCCC/SB/2002/INF.2.

[to be completed]

2. Conclusions

[to be completed]

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

(Agenda item 4)

A. Consideration of the fourth compilation and synthesis of initial national communications

(Agenda item 4 (a))

1. Proceedings

8. The SBI considered this sub-item at its 1st meeting and [7th] meetings, on 23 and [29] October, respectively. It had before it documents FCCC/SBI/2002/8 and FCCC/SBI/2002/16.

[to be completed]

2. Conclusions

[to be completed]

**B. Improvement of the guidelines for the preparation of national communications
from Parties not included in Annex I to the Convention**

(Agenda item 4 (b))

1. Proceedings

9. The SBI considered this sub-item at its 1st and [7th] meetings, on 23 and [29] October, respectively. It had before it documents FCCC/SBI/2002/INF.8 and FCCC/SBI/2002/INF.9.

10. At its 1st meeting, the SBI agreed to consider this sub-item together with sub-item 4 (c) by way of a contact group chaired by Mr. José Romero (Switzerland).

[to be completed]

2. Conclusions

[to be completed]

C. Work of the Consultative Group of Experts on National Communications from Parties not included in Annex I to the Convention

(Agenda item 4 (c))

1. Proceedings

11. The SBI considered this sub-item at its 1st and [7th] meetings, on 23 and [29] October, respectively. It had before it documents FCCC/SBI/2002/15, FCCC/SBI/2002/INF.10 and FCCC/SBI/2002/MISC.6 and Add.1.

12. At its 1st meeting, the SBI agreed to consider this sub-item together with sub-item 4 (b) by way of a contact group chaired by Mr. José Romero (Switzerland).

[to be completed]

2. Conclusions

[to be completed]

D. Provision of financial and technical support

(Agenda item 4 (d))

1. Proceedings

13. The SBI considered this sub-item at its 1st and [7th] meetings, on 23 and [29] October, respectively. It had before it documents FCCC/SBI/2002/INF.11 and FCCC/SBI/2002/INF.12, and web-only texts FCCC/WEB/2002/8 and FCCC/WEB/2002/9.

[to be completed]

2. Conclusions

[to be completed]

V. FINANCIAL MECHANISM

(Agenda item 5)

A. Report of the Global Environment Facility

(Agenda item 5 (a))

1. Proceedings

14. The SBI considered sub-items 5 (a) and (c) together at its 2nd and 4th meetings on 24 October, and its [7th] meeting, on [29] October. It had before it documents FCCC/CP/2002/4, FCCC/SBI/2002/14 and FCCC/SBI/2002/MISC.2 and Add.1, and web-only text FCCC/WEB/2002/6.

[to be completed]

B. Funding under the Convention

(Agenda item 5 (b))

1. Proceedings

15. The SBI considered this sub-item at its 4th and [7th] meetings, on 24 and [29] October, respectively. No documents were prepared for this sub-item.

[to be completed]

2. Conclusions

[to be completed]

C. Review of the financial mechanism

(Agenda item 5 (c))

16. The SBI considered sub-items 5 (a) and (c) together at its 2nd and 4th meetings on 24 October, and its [7th] meeting, on [29] October. It had before it documents FCCC/CP/2002/4, FCCC/SBI/2002/14 and FCCC/SBI/2002/MISC.2 and Add.1, and web-only text FCCC/WEB/2002/6.

1. Proceedings

[to be completed]

2. Conclusions

[to be completed]

D. Additional guidance to an operating entity of the financial mechanism

(Agenda item 5 (d))

1. Proceedings

17. The SBI considered this sub-item at its 4th and [7th] meetings, on 24 and [29] October, respectively. No documents were prepared for this sub-item.

[to be completed]

2. Conclusions

[to be completed]

VI. CAPACITY-BUILDING

(Agenda item 6)

1. Proceedings

18. The SBI considered this item at its 4th and [7th] meetings, on 24 and [29] October, respectively. It had before it documents FCCC/SBI/2002/INF.15 and FCCC/SBI/2002/MISC.7.

19. At the 4th meeting, the Chair invited Ms. Dechen Tsering (Bhutan) to assist him in conducting informal consultations on this item.

[to be completed]

2. Conclusions

[to be completed]

**VII. IMPLEMENTATION OF ARTICLE 4, PARAGRAPHS 8 AND 9,
OF THE CONVENTION**

(Agenda item 7)

A. Progress on the implementation of activities under decision 5/CP.7

(Agenda item 7 (a))

1. Proceedings

20. The SBI considered this sub-item at its 5th and [7th] meetings, on 25 and [29] October, respectively. It had before it documents FCCC/SBI/2002/9, FCCC/SBI/2002/MISC.3 and Add.1, and FCCC/SBI/2002/MISC.4 and Add.1 and 2.

21. At the 5th meeting, the Chair invited Ms. Daniela Stoytcheva (Bulgaria), Vice-Chair of the SBI, and Mr. Enele Sopoaga (Tuvalu), to assist him in conducting informal consultations on this sub-item.

[to be completed]

2. Conclusions

[to be completed]

B. Matters relating to the least developed countries

(Agenda item 7 (b))

1. Proceedings

22. The SBI considered this sub-item at its 5th and [7th] meetings, on 25 and [29] October, respectively. It had before it documents, FCCC/SBI/2002/INF.14, FCCC/SBI/2002/INF.16, and FCCC/SBI/2002/MISC.1 and Add.1.

[to be completed]

2. Conclusions

[to be completed]

VIII. REQUEST FROM A GROUP OF COUNTRIES OF CENTRAL ASIA AND THE CAUCASUS, ALBANIA AND THE REPUBLIC OF MOLDOVA REGARDING THEIR STATUS UNDER THE CONVENTION

(Agenda item 8)

1. Proceedings

23. The SBI considered this item at its 3rd and [7th] meetings, on 24 and [29] October, respectively. No documents were prepared for this item.

[to be completed]

2. Conclusions

[to be completed]

IX. ARRANGEMENTS FOR INTERGOVERNMENTAL MEETINGS

(Agenda item 9)

A. Arrangements for the first session of the Conference of the Parties serving as the meeting of the Parties to the Kyoto Protocol

(Agenda item 9 (a))

1. Proceedings

24. The SBI considered this sub-item at its 6th and [7th] meetings, on 25 and [29] October, respectively. It had before it document FCCC/SBI/2002/12.

[to be completed]

2. Conclusion

[to be completed]

B. Date and venue of the ninth session of the Conference of the Parties

(Agenda item 9 (b))

1. Proceedings

25. The SBI considered this sub-item at its 6th and [7th] meetings, on 25 and [29] October, respectively. No documents were prepared for this sub-item.

[to be completed]

2. Conclusions

[to be completed]

C. Effective participation in the Convention process

(Agenda item 9 (c))

1. Proceedings

26. The SBI considered this sub-item at its 6th and [7th] meetings, on 25 and [29] October, respectively. It had before it documents FCCC/SBI/2002/13, FCCC/SBI/2002/MISC.8 and FCCC/CP/2002/3, and web-only text FCCC/WEB/2002/13.

[to be completed]

2. Conclusions

[to be completed]

X. ADMINISTRATIVE AND FINANCIAL MATTERS

A. Audited financial statements for the biennium 2000–2001

(Agenda item 10 (a))

1. Proceedings

27. The SBI considered this sub-item at its 3rd and [7th] meetings, on 24 and [29] October, respectively. It had before it document FCCC/SBI/2002/10 and Add.1.

[to be completed]

2. Conclusions

28. At its [7th] meeting, on [29] October, having considered a proposal by the Chair, the SBI decided to recommend a draft decision on administrative and financial matters, covering agenda sub-items 10 (a), (b) and (c), for adoption by the Conference of the Parties at its eighth session.

B. Interim financial performance for the biennium 2002–2003

(Agenda item 10 (b))

1. Proceedings

29. The SBI considered this sub-item at its 3rd and [7th] meetings, on 24 and [29] October, respectively. It had before it the following documents: FCCC/SBI/2002/11 and FCCC/SBI/2002/INF.13.

[to be completed]

2. Conclusions

30. See paragraph 28 above.

C. Possible options for responding to late payment of contributions

(Agenda item 10 (c))

1. Proceedings

31. The SBI considered this sub-item at its 3rd and [7th] meetings, on 24 and [29] October, respectively.. No document was prepared on this matter for this session.

32. At the 3rd meeting, the Chair introduced the sub-item and stated that he would draft conclusions with the assistance of the secretariat for consideration by the SBI.

[to be completed]

2. Conclusions

33. See paragraph 28 above.

D. Implementation of the Headquarters Agreement

(Agenda item 10 (d))

1. Proceedings

34. The SBI considered this sub-item at its 3rd meeting, on 24 October. The representative of Germany gave an oral report on the progress made by his Government in providing office space to the UNFCCC secretariat and other United Nations bodies in Bonn, in developing conference facilities and in improving conditions for staff members and their families. The Executive Secretary, in response, said that discussions with the host Government are under way on adequate premises for the United Nations campus.

[to be completed]

2. Conclusions

35. At its 3rd meeting, on 24 October, the SBI took note of the statements made by the host Government and the Executive Secretary, and invited them to report on progress once a year.

XI. OTHER MATTERS

(Agenda item 11)

A. Proposal by Croatia on land use, land-use change and forestry

(Agenda item 11 (a))

1. Proceedings

36. The SBI considered this sub-item at its 3rd and [7th] meetings, on 24 and [29] October, respectively. No new documents were prepared for this sub-item.

37. xxx

[to be completed]

2. Conclusions

38. xxx

[to be completed]

B. Any other matters

(Agenda item 11(b))

1. Proceedings

39. The SBI considered this sub-item at its 6th and [7th] meetings, on 25 and [29] October, respectively.

40. At the 6th meeting, the Chair informed the SBI that the SBSTA is about to forward to the SBI its conclusions on the request of Croatia regarding its base-year emissions. In the interests of efficiency and in the hope that consideration of the proposal of Croatia could be completed at this session with adoption of a COP decision by the COP at its eighth session, the Chair invited Dr. Jim Penman (United Kingdom), to assist him in conducting informal consultations on this sub-item, before the SBI receives a formal recommendation from the SBSTA on this matter.

[to be completed]

2. Conclusions

[to be completed]

XII. REPORT ON THE SESSION

(Agenda item 12)

1. Proceedings

41. At its [7th] meeting, on [29] October, the SBI considered the draft report on its seventeenth session (FCCC/SBI/2002/L.6). At the same meeting, on a proposal by the Chair, the SBI authorized the Rapporteur, with the assistance of the secretariat, to complete the report on the session, under the guidance of the Chair.

[to be completed]
