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Proposal from Belarus to amend Annex B to the Kyoto Protocol

Note by the secretariat

- 1. The procedures for amending an annex to the Kyoto Protocol to the United Nations Framework Convention on Climate Change are contained in Article 21. Article 21, paragraph 2, states: "Any Party may make proposals for an annex to this Protocol and may propose amendments to annexes to this Protocol." Article 21, paragraph 3, states: "Annexes to this Protocol and amendments to annexes to this Protocol shall be adopted at an ordinary session of the Conference of the Parties serving as the meeting of the Parties to this Protocol. The text of any proposed annex or amendment to an annex shall be communicated to the Parties by the secretariat at least six months before the meeting at which it is proposed for adoption. The secretariat shall also communicate the text of any proposed annex or amendment to an annex to the Parties and signatories to the Convention and, for information, to the Depositary."
- 2. In accordance with these provisions, and with decision 32/CMP.1, Belarus, by a letter dated 9 February 2006, proposed an amendment to Annex B to the Kyoto Protocol transmitted herewith.
- 3. This proposal was communicated by the secretariat to the Parties to the Kyoto Protocol, and to the Parties and signatories to the United Nations Framework Convention on Climate Change in a notification dated 20 February 2006. The proposal was also communicated by the secretariat to the Depositary in a notification dated 20 February 2006. The notification stated that the full text of the proposal would be published in an official document in all official languages of the United Nations.
- 4. The Conference of the Parties serving as the meeting of the Parties to the Kyoto Protocol is invited to consider the proposed amendment and to take any action it deems necessary.

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Letter dated 9 February 2006 from Belarus addressed to the secretariat of the United Nations Framework Convention on Climate Change transmitting a Proposed Amendment to Annex B to the Kyoto Protokol

[original: Russian]

In accordance with Articles 18, 20 and 21 of the Kyoto Protocol to the United Nations Framework Convention on Climate Change (referred to below as the Kyoto Protocol), the Republic of Belarus, as a Party to the Kyoto Protocol, proposes an amendment to the Kyoto Protocol in the form of the addition of Belarus to Annex B to the Kyoto Protocol, as set out in decision FCCC/KP/CMP/2005/L.10* adopted by the Conference of the Parties serving as the meeting of the Parties to the Kyoto Protocol. The text of the proposed amendment is attached.

Belarus proposes that this amendment be adopted at the second session of the Conference of the Parties serving as the meeting of the Parties to the Kyoto Protocol.

In accordance with Article 20, paragraph 2, of the Kyoto Protocol, Belarus requests the secretariat to circulate the proposed amendment to the Parties to the Kyoto Protocol at least six months before the beginning of the second session of the Conference of the Parties serving as the meeting of the Parties to the Kyoto Protocol.

Belarus also requests to include the item on the adoption of the proposed amendment to the Kyoto Protocol in the preliminary agenda of the second session of the Conference of the Parties serving as the meeting of the Parties to the Kyoto Protocol.

Signed
L.I. Khoruzhik Minister

Annex: The text of the proposed amendment - 1p.

^{*} This text was adopted by the Conference of the Parties serving as the meeting of the Parties to the Kyoto Protocol as decision 32/CMP.1.

<u>Annex</u>

Proposed amendment to the Kyoto Protocol to the United Nations Framework Convention on Climate Change, to be inserted between the entries for Austria and Belgium

ANNEX B

Party Quantified emission limitation or

reduction commitment

(percentage of base year or period)

Belarus* 95

^{*} Signifies that Belarus is one of the countries that are undergoing the process of transition to a market economy.