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#### Agenda item 10

Reporting and review of information submitted by Parties included in Annex I to the Convention that are also Parties to the Kyoto Protocol

### **Reporting and review of information submitted by Parties included in Annex I to the Convention that are also Parties to the Kyoto Protocol**

#### **Draft conclusions proposed by the Chair**

1. The Subsidiary Body for Implementation (SBI) welcomed the report containing information on the status of submission and review of the initial reports submitted in accordance with decision 13/CMP.1 by Parties included in Annex I to the Convention (Annex I Parties) that are also Parties to the Kyoto Protocol.<sup>1</sup> The SBI also noted with appreciation the contribution of the expert review teams and the secretariat to the review process.
2. The SBI took note of the views submitted by Parties on their experiences with and lessons learned from the review process, including recommendations for improvements,<sup>2</sup> in accordance with its conclusions at its twenty-eighth session.<sup>3</sup>
3. The SBI noted the draft conclusions on the annual report on the technical review of greenhouse gas inventories from Annex I Parties to be adopted under agenda item 7 (a) of the Subsidiary Body for Scientific and Technological Advice (SBSTA) at its twenty-ninth session. The SBI further noted that the plenary of the Compliance Committee<sup>4</sup> has expressed concern regarding issues of consistency in the review process, resource limitations and the lack of available experts and that addressing these issues is critical to the implementation of the Kyoto Protocol.
4. The SBI requested the secretariat to organize a meeting of the lead reviewers in the first half of 2009.
5. The SBI noted that issues relating to the review of higher-tier methodologies and consistency between reviews under the Convention that have been raised in the conclusions of the SBSTA referred to

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<sup>1</sup> FCCC/SBI/2008/INF.8 and Corr.1.

<sup>2</sup> FCCC/SBI/2008/MISC.7.

<sup>3</sup> FCCC/SBI/2008/8, paragraphs 89–94.

<sup>4</sup> FCCC/KP/CMP/2008/5, paragraph 22.

in paragraph 3 above may also apply to reviews under the Kyoto Protocol. The SBI therefore requested the lead reviewers to include consideration of these issues in the context of the Kyoto Protocol in their discussion at their next meeting, as appropriate.

6. The SBI acknowledged the importance of the training programme for inventory review experts under the Kyoto Protocol, which builds on the training programme for new greenhouse gas inventory reviewers under the Convention. The SBI noted that the secretariat is in the process of updating and completing the training programme under the Kyoto Protocol. Although further funding has been provided by Parties during the second half of this year, the SBI encouraged Annex I Parties in a position to do so to provide the necessary funding for the 2009 training programmes.

7. The SBI acknowledged that managing the review process, including the training of inventory review experts, planning and conducting the reviews and organizing the lead reviewer meetings, is placing considerable demand on the secretariat and requires considerable resources. The SBI also acknowledged the urgent need to prioritize these fundamental activities, notably the completion of training courses on the review of activities under Article 3, paragraphs 3 and 4, of the Kyoto Protocol, and on the modalities for the accounting of assigned amounts under Article 7, paragraph 4, in particular the national registry and the standard electronic format as indicated in the conclusions of the SBI and SBSTA at their twenty-seventh sessions.<sup>5,6</sup> The SBI further noted the importance of the timely completion by the secretariat of the new module of the CRF Reporter software for the tables for reporting activities under Article 3, paragraphs 3 and 4, of the Kyoto Protocol, subject to the availability of resources.

8. The SBI requested the secretariat to prepare a note describing how the activities referred to in paragraph 7 above are planned and prioritized for 2010–2011 and identifying commensurate resource requirements, for its consideration at its thirtieth session. The SBI further requested that Parties consider, at the thirtieth session of the SBI, what means should be used to strengthen the secretariat's capacity to further develop and deliver the training programme referred to in paragraph 6 above, taking into account the outcomes of the meeting of the lead reviewers.

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<sup>5</sup> FCCC/SBI/2007/34, paragraphs 98–105.

<sup>6</sup> FCCC/SBSTA/2007/16, paragraphs 57–67.