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Draft conclusions proposed by the Chair

1. The Subsidiary Body for Scientific and Technological Advice (SBSTA) welcomed the report¹ on the third workshop of the work programme on revising the “Guidelines for the preparation of national communications by Parties included in Annex I to the Convention, Part I: UNFCCC reporting guidelines on annual inventories” (hereinafter referred to as the UNFCCC Annex I reporting guidelines), held in Bonn, Germany, from 24 to 25 March 2011, which was organized by the secretariat following a request by the SBSTA at its thirty-third session.²
2. The SBSTA acknowledged with appreciation that the Intergovernmental Panel on Climate Change had responded to the invitation from the SBSTA at its thirty-third session to develop supplementary methodological guidance on wetlands.
3. The SBSTA initiated its consideration of the annotated draft of the revised UNFCCC Annex I reporting guidelines,¹ but was unable to finalize its consideration. The SBSTA reiterated its request made at its thirty-third session that the secretariat organize, subject to the availability of resources, a fourth workshop under the work programme, to be held in the second half of 2011, to address the annotated draft of the revised UNFCCC Annex I reporting guidelines. The SBSTA recommended that the fourth workshop address the text of the revised guidelines and all common reporting format tables, with a focus on agriculture, forestry and other land-use issues.
4. The SBSTA requested the secretariat to prepare a new version of the annotated draft of the revised UNFCCC Annex I reporting guidelines,³ based on the outcomes of its thirty-

¹ FCCC/SBSTA/2011/INF.4.

² FCCC/SBSTA/2010/13, paragraph 76.

³ The annotated draft of the revised UNFCCC Annex I reporting guidelines prepared for the thirty-fourth session of the SBSTA can be found on the UNFCCC website at http://unfccc.int/national_reports/annex_i_ghg_inventories/reporting_requirements/items/5333.php.

fourth session, and make it available in due time for the fourth workshop. It further requested the secretariat to prepare, after the fourth workshop and based on its outcomes, the new version of these guidelines, to be made available to the SBSTA at its thirty-fifth session.

5. The SBSTA agreed to consider the report on the workshop and to continue its consideration of the annotated draft of the revised UNFCCC Annex I reporting guidelines at its thirty-fifth session, with a view to preparing a draft decision on this matter for adoption by the Conference of the Parties at its seventeenth session, in line with the work programme agreed to by SBSTA at its thirty-second session.
