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ORGANIZATION AND PROPOSED SCHEDULES OF WORK OF THE SESSIONS:
ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

Note by the secretariat

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I. INTRODUCTION

1. By its decision 1/CP.3 on the adoption of the Kyoto Protocol to the United Nations Framework Convention on Climate Change, the Conference of the Parties (COP) requested the Chairman of the Subsidiary Body for Scientific and Technological Advice (SBSTA) and the Chairman of the Subsidiary Body for Implementation (SBI) to give guidance to the secretariat on the preparatory work needed for consideration by Conference of the Parties, at its fourth session, of the matters listed in sub-paragraphs 5 (a) to (e) of that decision, and to allocate work thereon to the respective subsidiary bodies, as appropriate (FCCC/CP/1997/7/Add.1, decision 1/CP.3, para. 5).
2. Consideration of sub-paragraphs 5 (b), (c) and (e) of decision 1/CP.3, on matters related to emissions trading under Article 17 of the Kyoto Protocol, joint implementation under Article 6 and the clean development mechanism under Article 12, respectively, have been placed on the provisional agendas of both subsidiary bodies for their eighth sessions as sub-items 8 (b) to (d) (see FCCC/SBSTA/1998/1, paras. 3 and 6 and FCCC/SBI/1998/1, paras. 3 and 6).
3. In order to secure an appropriate balance between the work of the subsidiary bodies and avoid duplication and overlap, the Chairmen of the SBSTA and the SBI undertook to hold informal consultations on the organization of work on provisional agenda sub-items 8 (b) to (d) and to present a joint proposal based on these consultations (see FCCC/SBSTA/1998/1, paras. 7 and 9 and FCCC/SBI/1998/1, paras. 7 and 9). This joint proposal by the Chairmen is reproduced in section II below.
4. The Chairmen of the SBSTA and the SBI and the Chairman of the Ad Hoc Group on Article 13 (AG13) also undertook to propose a schedule for the sessions of the respective subsidiary bodies, pursuant to the above-mentioned informal consultations on the organization of work (see FCCC/SBSTA/1998/1, para. 11; FCCC/SBI/1998/1, para. 11 and FCCC/AG13/1998/1, para. 9). This proposed schedule can be found in the annex to this note.

II. ARRANGEMENTS ON SUB-ITEMS 8 (b) TO (d) OF THE PROVISIONAL AGENDAS OF THE SBSTA AND THE SBI

5. A joint meeting of the SBSTA and the SBI has been scheduled for the afternoon of Tuesday, 2 June to consider item 8. This joint meeting will provide an opportunity for Parties to make general statements, both on arrangements for the consideration of sub-items 8 (b) to (d) during the sessions and on the substance of the issues in question.
6. Based on the views expressed by Parties, the co-Chairmen will present a joint proposal on the organization of work for item 8 at a second joint meeting scheduled for the morning of Wednesday, 3 June.

Annex

PROPOSED SCHEDULES OF WORK OF THE SESSIONS

1. As arrangements between the SBSTA and the SBI for the consideration of item 8 remain to be decided, this item has been built into the schedules of work of both subsidiary bodies. Once a decision has been reached on this matter, the schedule for the sessions can be modified, as necessary. The Chairmen may also hold informal consultations on this item.

2. The attention of Parties is drawn to the change in date for the opening meeting of the AG13 from that stated in document FCCC/AG13/1998/1. The session will now be opened at 10 a.m. on Friday, 5 June.

2bis. A special workshop on Article 6 will be held that is expected to contribute to the work of the SBSTA in this area. The date and time for this event will be announced later.

3. The proposed schedules below should be considered as guides to assist Parties in planning their work. They may be subject to change, particularly in the second week, to reflect the pace of progress.

A. Proposed schedule of work for the eighth session of the SBSTA

	Tuesday 2 June	Wednesday 3 June	Thursday 4 June	Friday 5 June
10 a.m. to 1 p.m.	Item 1 Item 2 Item 3	Item 8 (joint with SBI)	Item 6 (a) to (c)	Informals
3 p.m. to 6 p.m.	Item 8 (joint with SBI)	Item 4 [Item 8]	Item 6 (d) to (e) Item 7	Item 5 Item 9

	Monday 8 June	Tuesday 9 June	Wednesday 10 June	Thursday 11 June	Friday 12 June
10 a.m. to 1 p.m.	Informals	Informals	Item 7 [Item 8] (continued)	Informals	Informals
3 p.m. to 6 p.m.	Item 2 (d) and (e) Item 4 (continued)	Item 5 Item 6 (continued)	Informals	[Item 8] Item 9 (continued)	Item 10

B. Proposed schedule of work for the eighth session of the SBI

	Tuesday 2 June	Wednesday 3 June	Thursday 4 June	Friday 5 June
10 a.m. to 1 p.m.	Item 1 Item 2 Item 3(a)	Item 8 (joint with SBSTA)	Item 3 (b) Item 4	Item 9 Item 10 Item 11
3 p.m. to 6 p.m.	Item 8 (joint with SBSTA)	Item 5 Item 6	Item 7 [item 8]	Informals

	Monday 8 June	Tuesday 9 June	Wednesday 10 June	Thursday 11 June	Friday 12 June
10 a.m. to 1 p.m.	Item 3 Item 4 (continued)	Item 2 (d) and (e) [Item 8] (continued)	Item 5 Item 6 (continued)	Item 9 Item 10 Item 11 (continued)	Informals
3 p.m. to 6 p.m.	Informals	Informals	Item 7 [Item 8] (continued)	Informals	Item 12

C. Proposed schedule of work for the sixth session of the AG13

	Friday 5 June	Saturday 6 June	Monday 8 June	Tuesday 9 June
10 a.m. to 1 p.m.	Item 1 Item 2	Item 3 (continued)	Item 3 (continued)	Item 3 (continued)
3 p.m. to 6 p.m.	Item 3	Item 3 (continued)	Item 3 (continued)	Item 4

D. Consolidated proposed schedule of formal subsidiary body meetings

	Tuesday 2 June	Wednesday 3 June	Thursday 4 June	Friday 5 June	Saturday 6 June
10 a.m. to 1 p.m.	SBSTA (11 a.m.)	SBSTA SBI (joint meeting)	SBSTA	SBI	AG13
	SBI		SBI	AG13	
3 p.m. to 6 p.m.	SBSTA SBI (joint meeting)	SBSTA	SBSTA	SBSTA	AG13
		SBI	SBI	AG13	

	Monday 8 June	Tuesday 9 June	Wednesday 10 June	Thursday 11 June	Friday 12 June
10 a.m. to 1 p.m.	SBI	SBI	SBSTA	SBI	
	AG13	AG13	SBI		
3 p.m. to 6 p.m.	SBSTA	SBSTA	SBI	SBSTA	SBSTA
	AG13	AG13			SBI
