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SUBSIDIARY BODY FOR SCIENTIFIC AND TECHNOLOGICAL ADVICE

**REPORT OF THE SUBSIDIARY BODY FOR SCIENTIFIC AND  
TECHNOLOGICAL ADVICE ON ITS NINTH SESSION  
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## I. OPENING OF THE SESSION

(Agenda item 1)

1. The ninth session of the Subsidiary Body for Scientific and Technological Advice (SBSTA) was held at the Centro de exposiciones del Gobierno de la Ciudad de Buenos Aires, Buenos Aires, Argentina, from 3 to 10 November 1998.
2. The Chairman of the SBSTA, Mr. Kok Kee Chow (Malaysia), opened the session on 3 November 1998. He welcomed all delegates and observers to the session and thanked the Government of Argentina for its generous hospitality as the host of the fourth session of the Conference of the Parties (COP). The Chairman noted that the task of the SBSTA at its ninth session was clear; it should aim to seek consensus among Parties in order to prepare draft decisions for adoption by the COP. The Chairman recalled that the COP had referred a number of items to the SBSTA for its consideration, consisting of both ongoing work under the Convention and matters arising from the Kyoto Protocol. He emphasized that the SBSTA should aim to strike an appropriate balance between these two areas of work. The Chairman observed that the SBSTA would need to work intensively to prepare draft decisions for the COP in a timely manner on the many issues before it. He expressed confidence, however, that delegates would rise to this challenge and work together in a spirit of cooperation to advance the Convention process.
3. Also at the 1<sup>st</sup> meeting, on 3 November, a statement was made by Dr. Robert Watson, Chairman of the Intergovernmental Panel on Climate Change (IPCC). In his statement, Dr. Watson focussed on the IPCC work programme and provided information on the status of preparation of information requested by the SBSTA, including on the special report on land-use, land-use change and forestry.

## II. ORGANIZATIONAL MATTERS

(Agenda item 2)

### A. Adoption of the agenda

(Agenda item 2 (a))

4. At its 1<sup>st</sup> meeting, on 3 November, the SBSTA considered the provisional agenda contained in document FCCC/CP/1998/1, annex I. Statements were made by representatives of two Parties.
5. At the same meeting, the SBSTA adopted the following agenda:
  1. Opening of the session.
  2. Organizational matters:
    - (a) Adoption of the agenda;

- (b) Organization of work;
  - (c) Election of officers.
3. Matters referred to the SBSTA by the plenary of the Conference of the Parties.
  4. Other matters.
  5. Adoption of the report.

**B. Organization of work**  
(Agenda item 2 (b))

6. The SBSTA considered this sub-item at its 1<sup>st</sup> meeting, on 3 November. It had before it the tentative schedule of meetings contained in document FCCC/CP/1998/1/Add.1, annex III. The Chairman noted that the schedule should be used as a guide to the organization of work of the SBSTA, but that flexibility would be required to respond to the pace of progress. The Chairman underscored that the SBSTA should complete its work by 10 November, to enable him to present recommended draft decisions to the COP on 11 November.

7. The Chairman recalled that the COP, at its 2<sup>nd</sup> plenary meeting the previous day, had referred a number of items to the SBSTA for its consideration. Some of these had been allocated to both the SBSTA and the Subsidiary Body for Implementation (SBI) for their joint consideration. The Chairman drew the attention of the SBSTA to the items before it, which were listed as follows:

- Development and transfer of technologies (decision 13/CP.1)  
(COP agenda item 4 (c));
- Activities implemented jointly: review of progress under the pilot phase  
(decision 5/CP.1) (to be considered jointly with the SBI)  
(COP agenda item 4 (f));
- Research and systematic observation (Articles 4.1(g) and 5 of the Convention)  
(COP agenda item 4 (h) (i));
- Scientific and methodological aspects of the proposal by Brazil  
(COP agenda item 4 (h) (ii));
- Land-use change and forestry (COP, agenda item 5 (a) (i));
- Article 6 of the Kyoto Protocol (to be considered jointly with the SBI)  
(COP agenda item 5 (a) (ii));

- Article 12 of the Kyoto Protocol (to be considered jointly with the SBI) (COP agenda item 5 (a) (iii));
- Article 17 of the Kyoto Protocol (to be considered jointly with the SBI) (COP agenda item 5 (a) (iv));
- Impact of single projects on emissions in the commitment period (COP agenda item 5 (a) (v));
- Matters related to decision 1/CP.3, paragraph 6: preparations for the first session of the Conference of the Parties serving as the meeting of the Parties to the Protocol (to be considered jointly with the SBI); (COP agenda item 5 (b)).

8. The Chairman recalled that, at the request of the COP, he had agreed to consult the Chairman of the SBI on whether COP agenda item 4 (e), an item referred to the SBI, should also be considered by the SBSTA.

9. Finally, the Chairman recalled that the COP, at its 2<sup>nd</sup> plenary meeting the previous day, had adopted a decision on the attendance of intergovernmental and non-governmental organizations at contact groups (decision 18/CP.4).<sup>1</sup> He noted that the SBSTA would adhere to this decision in its work.

### **C. Election of officers**

(Agenda item 2 (c))

10. The SBSTA considered this sub-item at its 1<sup>st</sup> meeting, on 3 November. At that meeting, the Chairman informed the SBSTA that he would be conducting consultations with the regional groups with a view to securing the election of the remaining SBSTA officers as soon as possible.

11. At the 8<sup>th</sup> plenary meeting of the COP, on 14 November, the President announced that agreement had been reached on the nomination of the remaining officers of the subsidiary bodies. On the invitation of the President, the COP elected Mr. Lambert Gnapelet (Central African Republic) and Mr. Andrej Kranjc (Slovenia) as Vice-Chairman and Rapporteur of the SBSTA, respectively.

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<sup>1</sup> Document FCCC/CP/1998/L.1/Rev.1.

### III. MATTERS REFERRED TO THE SBSTA BY THE PLENARY OF THE CONFERENCE OF THE PARTIES

(Agenda item 3)

#### A. Development and transfer of technologies (decision 13/CP.1)

(Agenda item 4 (c) of the Conference of the Parties)

##### 1. Proceedings

12. The SBSTA considered this matter at its 5<sup>th</sup>, 9<sup>th</sup> and 10<sup>th</sup> meetings, on 4 and 10 November, respectively. It had before it the following documents: FCCC/CP/1998/6, FCCC/CP/1998/MISC.5 and Add.1-3 and FCCC/TP/1998/1.

13. Statements were made by representatives of 20 Parties, including one speaking on behalf of the Alliance of Small Island States, another speaking on behalf of the Group of 77 and China and the African Group and another speaking on behalf of the European Community and its member States. The representative of a non-governmental organization also made a statement.

14. At the 5<sup>th</sup> meeting, on 4 November, a statement was made by the Chairman of the Climate Technology Initiative.

15. Also at its 5<sup>th</sup> meeting, the SBSTA agreed to consider this matter by way of a contact group, co-chaired by Ms. Renate Christ (European Community) and Ms. Wanna Tanunchaiwatana (Thailand).

16. A special event of relevance to this agenda item, organized by the secretariat, was held on 11 November. This event, a round table on overcoming barriers to the development and transfer of technology, was chaired by the Chairman of the SBSTA.

##### 2. Conclusions

17. At its 9<sup>th</sup> meeting, on 10 November, the SBSTA decided to recommend a draft decision for adoption by the COP at its fourth session (FCCC/CP/1998/L.16). For the full text of the decision by the COP, see decision 4/CP.4.<sup>2</sup>

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<sup>2</sup> For the full text of decisions adopted by the Conference of the Parties at its fourth session, see document FCCC/CP/1998/16/Add.1.

**B. Activities implemented jointly: review of progress  
under the pilot phase (decision 5/CP.1)**

(Agenda item 4 (f) of the Conference of the Parties)

**1. Proceedings**

18. The SBSTA considered this matter at its 3<sup>rd</sup> and 11<sup>th</sup> meetings, which were held jointly with the SBI, on 3 and 10 November, respectively. It had before it the following documents: FCCC/CP/1998/2, FCCC/CP/1998/INF.3 and FCCC/CP/1998/MISC.7 and Add.1-4.

19. Statements were made by representatives of 37 Parties, including one speaking on behalf of the African Group, one speaking on behalf of the European Community and its member States and another speaking on behalf of the Group of 77 and China.

20. At the joint meeting on 3 November, the Chairmen of the SBSTA and the SBI invited Ms. Cornelia Quennet-Thielen (Germany) to assist them in conducting informal consultations on this matter.

**2. Conclusions**

21. At its 11<sup>th</sup> meeting, held jointly with the SBI on 10 November, the SBSTA decided to forward a draft decision to the COP for further consideration (see FCCC/CP/1998/CRP.2).

**C. Research and systematic observation (Articles 4.1(g) and 5 of the Convention)**

(Agenda item 4 (h) (i) of the Conference of the Parties)

**1. Proceedings**

22. The SBSTA considered this matter at its 5<sup>th</sup>, 7<sup>th</sup> and 8<sup>th</sup> meetings, on 4, 5 and 9 November, respectively. It had before it the following documents: FCCC/CP/1998/7 and FCCC/CP/1998/MISC.2.

23. Statements were made by representatives of 30 Parties, including one speaking on behalf of the Caribbean Community and another speaking on behalf of the European Community and its member States.

24. At the 5<sup>th</sup> meeting, on 4 November, the comprehensive report on the adequacy of the global observing systems, prepared in response to decision 8/CP.3, was presented to the SBSTA by a representative of the Global Climate Observing System (GCOS). Statements were also made by representatives of the Global Ocean Observing System (GOOS), the World Meteorological Organization (WMO) and the United Nations Environment Programme (UNEP).

25. At the 5<sup>th</sup> meeting, on 4 November, the Chairman invited Ms. Susan Barrell (Australia) and Mr. Mohamed Mhita (United Republic of Tanzania) to assist him in conducting informal

consultations on this matter.

## 2. Conclusions

26. At its 8<sup>th</sup> meeting, on 9 November, the SBSTA adopted the following conclusions:

(a) The SBSTA took note of the report on the adequacy of the global observing systems for climate, prepared and coordinated by the Global Climate Observing System (GCOS) Secretariat in the World Meteorological Organization (WMO) on behalf of organizations participating in the Climate Agenda, contained in document FCCC/CP/1998/MISC.2;

(b) The SBSTA decided to recommend a draft decision on research and systematic observation for adoption by the COP at its fourth session;<sup>3</sup>

(c) The SBSTA invited the agencies participating in the Climate Agenda, in consultation with the Convention secretariat, to assess options for synthesizing national plans and programmes for systematic observation of the climate system, for example by drawing on the expertise of GCOS and/or using the roster of experts, and to report to the SBSTA at its eleventh session;

(d) The SBSTA, pursuant to its recommendation to the COP that it should invite the agencies participating in the Climate Agenda, through the GCOS secretariat, to initiate an intergovernmental process for addressing the priorities for action to improve the global observing systems for climate in relation to the needs of the Convention and, in consultation with the Convention secretariat and other relevant organizations, to identify immediate, medium-term and long-term options for financial support, decided to consider these issues at its tenth session.

### **D. Scientific and methodological aspects of the proposal by Brazil**

(Agenda item 4 (h) (ii) of the Conference of the Parties)

#### 1. Proceedings

27. The SBSTA considered this matter at its 2<sup>nd</sup> and 8<sup>th</sup> meetings, on 3 and 9 November, respectively.

28. Statements were made by representatives of eight Parties, including one speaking on behalf of the European Community and its member States.

#### 2. Conclusions

29. At its 8<sup>th</sup> meeting, on 9 November, the SBSTA adopted the following conclusions:

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<sup>3</sup> Document FCCC/CP/1998/L.4. For the full text of the decision by the COP, see decision 14/CP.4.



(a) The SBSTA noted the information provided by Brazil on recent scientific activities and on the workshop to be organized regarding the proposal presented by Brazil in document FCCC/AGBM/1997/MISC.1/Add.3. The SBSTA also noted the potential contribution of other relevant analyses to increase understanding of the methodological and scientific aspects of this proposal. The SBSTA invited the delegation of Brazil to inform the SBSTA at its tenth session of the results of its workshop and provide it with other relevant information;

(b) The SBSTA decided to further consider at its tenth session the scientific and methodological aspects of the proposal by Brazil.

### **E. Land-use change and forestry**

(Agenda item 5 (a) (i) of the Conference of the Parties)

#### **1. Proceedings**

30. The SBSTA considered this matter at its 1<sup>st</sup> and 8<sup>th</sup> meetings, on 3 and 9 November, respectively. It had before it the following documents: FCCC/CP/1998/INF.4, FCCC/CP/1998/MISC.1 and Add.1 and 2 and FCCC/CP/1998/MISC.9 and Add.1 and 2.

31. Statements were made by representatives of 20 Parties, including one speaking on behalf of the Alliance of Small Island States and another speaking on behalf of the European Community and its member States. The representative of a non-governmental organization also made a statement.

32. At the 1<sup>st</sup> meeting, on 3 November, Mr. Paul Maclons (South Africa), co-Chair with Mr. Maciej Sadowski (Poland) of the first SBSTA workshop on land-use, land-use change and forestry (Rome, 24-25 September 1998), presented a report to the SBSTA on that workshop on behalf of the Co-chairs. Also at that meeting, a statement was made by a representative of the United Nations Food and Agriculture Organization (FAO). In addition, the Chairman recalled the information provided by the Chairman of the IPCC at the start of that meeting on the status of preparation of the special report on land-use, land-use change and forestry.

33. At the same meeting, the Chairman invited Mr. Paul Maclons and Mr. Maciej Sadowski to assist him in conducting informal consultations on this sub-item.

#### **2. Conclusions**

34. At its 8<sup>th</sup> meeting, on 9 November, the SBSTA adopted the following conclusions:

(a) The SBSTA took note of the information provided by the secretariat on land-use, land-use change and forestry in documents FCCC/CP/1998/INF.4, FCCC/CP/1998/MISC.1 and Add.1 and 2, and FCCC/CP/1998/MISC.9 and Add.1 and 2;

(b) The SBSTA decided to recommend a draft decision for adoption by the COP at its fourth session;<sup>4</sup>

(c) The SBSTA requested the secretariat to organize a second SBSTA workshop prior to its tenth session, with participation by experts, including those engaged in the IPCC process, to focus on issues related to Article 3.4 of the Kyoto Protocol, such as methodologies, uncertainties, research and data needs, and those identified in document FCCC/SBSTA/1998/INF.1 and in submissions from Parties, and to further elaborate on issues arising from the first workshop. It further requested the secretariat to report on the second workshop at the tenth session of the SBSTA;

(d) The SBSTA welcomed the offer of the United States of America to provide a venue for the second workshop;

(e) The SBSTA invited Parties to provide submissions by 1 February 1999 on other issues to be considered at the workshop.

**F. Article 6, Article 12 and Article 17 of the Kyoto Protocol**  
(Agenda item 5 (a) (ii)-(iv) of the Conference of the Parties)

1. Proceedings

35. The SBSTA considered these matters at its 4<sup>th</sup> and 11<sup>th</sup> meetings, which were held jointly with the SBI, on 4 and 10 November, respectively. It had before it the following documents: FCCC/CP/1998/MISC.7 and Add.1-4.

36. Statements were made by representatives of 36 Parties, including one speaking on behalf of the African Group, another speaking on behalf of the Alliance of Small Island States, another speaking on behalf of the European Community and its member States and another speaking on behalf of the Group of 77 and China.

37. At the joint meeting on 4 November, the SBSTA and the SBI agreed to consider this issue by way of a joint contact group, co-chaired by Mr. Yvo de Boer (Netherlands) and Mr. Gylvan Meira Filho (Brazil).

2. Conclusions

38. At its 11<sup>th</sup> meeting, held jointly with the SBI on 10 November, the SBSTA decided to forward a draft decision by the Chairmen of the subsidiary bodies and a draft proposal by the co-Chairs of the joint contact group on mechanisms to the COP for further consideration (see FCCC/CP/1998/CRP.3).

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<sup>4</sup> Document FCCC/CP/1998/L.5. For the full text of the decision by the COP, see decision 9/CP.4.

**G. Impact of single projects on emissions in the commitment period**

(Agenda item 5 (a) (v) of the Conference of the Parties)

**1. Proceedings**

39. The SBSTA considered this matter at its 2<sup>nd</sup> and 9<sup>th</sup> meetings, on 3 and 10 November, respectively.

40. Statements were made by representatives of 11 Parties, including one speaking on behalf of the Alliance of Small Island States and another speaking on behalf of the European Community and its member States.

41. At its 2<sup>nd</sup> meeting, on 3 November, the Chairman invited Mr. Ole Plougmann (Denmark), Vice-President of the COP at its fourth session, to assist him in conducting informal consultations on this matter.

**2. Conclusions**

42. At its 9<sup>th</sup> meeting, on 10 November, the SBSTA adopted the following conclusions:

(a) The SBSTA took note of the information provided by the delegation of Iceland, including information provided during the session in response to questions from three Parties, one acting on behalf of the European Community and its member States and one on behalf of the Alliance of Small Island States (see FCCC/CP/1998/MISC.11 and Add.1). It invited Parties to consider the responses of the delegation of Iceland and to submit their analyses of that information to the secretariat by 1 March 1999 for compilation into a miscellaneous document;

(b) The SBSTA decided to recommend a draft decision on impacts of single projects on emissions in the commitment period for adoption by the COP at its fourth session;<sup>5</sup>

(c) The SBSTA decided to give further consideration to the issue of impacts of single projects on emissions in the commitment period at its tenth session.

**H. Matters related to decision 1/CP.3, paragraph 6: preparations for the first session of the Conference of the Parties serving as the meeting of the Parties to the Kyoto Protocol**

(Agenda item 5(b) of the Conference of the Parties)

**1. Proceedings**

43. The SBSTA considered this matter at its 6<sup>th</sup> and 11<sup>th</sup> meetings, held jointly with the SBI, on 5 and 10 November, respectively. It had before it document FCCC/CP/1998/3.

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<sup>5</sup> Document FCCC/CP/1998/L.8. For the full text of the decision by the COP, see decision 16/CP.4.

44. Statements were made by representatives of 26 Parties, including one speaking on behalf of the European Community and its member States. The representatives of an observer State and two non-governmental organizations also made statements.

45. At the joint meeting on 5 November, the Chairmen of the SBSTA and the SBI invited Mr. Espen Ronneberg (Marshall Islands), Vice-President of the COP at its fourth session, to assist them in conducting informal consultations on this matter.

## 2. Conclusions

46. At its 11<sup>th</sup> meeting, held jointly with the SBI on 10 November, the SBSTA decided to forward an informal proposal by the Chairmen of the subsidiary bodies to the COP for further consideration (see FCCC/CP/1998/CRP.4).

## IV. OTHER MATTERS

(Agenda item 4)

### 1. Proceedings

47. The SBSTA considered this item at its 7<sup>th</sup>, 8<sup>th</sup> and 9<sup>th</sup> meetings, on 5, 8 and 9 November, respectively.

48. At the 7<sup>th</sup> meeting, the Chairman noted that a matter requiring the attention of the SBSTA under this agenda item was the question of methodological issues relating to national communications from Annex I Parties. On this matter, the SBSTA had before it the following documents: FCCC/SBSTA/1998/7, FCCC/SBSTA/1998/8 and FCCC/SBSTA/1998/MISC.6 and Add.1-2. At the same meeting, a statement was made by the representative of the UNEP Collaborating Centre at Risøe, Denmark.

49. Statements were made on this issue by representatives of four Parties, including one speaking on behalf of the European Community and its member States.

50. Also at the 7<sup>th</sup> meeting, a Party raised a further matter under this agenda item, concerning available technologies to limit and reduce emissions of hydrofluorocarbons and perfluorocarbons and the relationship between the Kyoto Protocol and the Montreal Protocol on Substances that Deplete the Ozone Layer. Statements were made on this issue by representatives of 12 Parties.

## 2. Conclusions

51. At the 9<sup>th</sup> meeting, on 10 November, the SBSTA adopted the following conclusions on the question of methodological issues relating to national communications from Annex I Parties:

(a) The SBSTA took note of the information provided by the secretariat on the preparation of a workshop to be held in Bonn, from 9 to 11 December 1998, with the

participation of methodological experts from the roster, as well as from other relevant organizations, to develop proposals to resolve the methodological issues identified by Parties and by the secretariat while processing greenhouse gas inventories included in second national communications (FCCC/SBSTA/1998/7 and FCCC/SBSTA/1998/8). It decided that the options set by the secretariat and the initial information submitted by Parties could serve as a starting point for consideration at the workshop;

(b) The SBSTA also took note of the information on a second workshop, to be organized in response to a request by the SBSTA at its eighth session, in Bonn during March 1999, with the participation of representatives of Parties, to consider clarifications, additions and amendments to the revised guidelines for the preparation of national communications by Annex I Parties (decision 9/CP.2);

(c) The SBSTA noted with appreciation the report provided by UNEP entitled *Mitigation and Adaptation Cost Assessment: Concepts, Methods and Appropriate Use*,<sup>6</sup> as a contribution to the SBSTA work programme on methodologies approved at the sixth session of the SBSTA;

(d) The SBSTA requested the secretariat to include the following topics on the agenda of the workshop mentioned in sub-paragraph (a) above namely: methods, reporting and implications for the review process and procedures. It noted that one objective could be the identification of priorities for consideration by the IPCC task force on national GHG inventories. Consideration of review procedures includes the review of the inventory data submitted annually by Parties;

(e) The SBSTA requested the secretariat to prepare a report, which addresses clarifications, additions and amendments to the revised guidelines for the preparation of national communications by Annex I Parties (decision 9/CP.2), particularly the GHG inventory section, taking into consideration information from both workshops, for its tenth session;

(f) The SBSTA requested the secretariat to prepare an initial report on elements of a review process related to GHG inventories, including in-depth reviews, based on the issues identified at both workshops and submissions from Parties, for consideration at its tenth session, with a view to forwarding relevant information to the SBI. The SBSTA invited Parties to submit information related to elements of a review process by 1 March 1999;

(g) The SBSTA invited Parties to submit initial information related to the options addressed in document FCCC/SBSTA/1998/8 by 1 December 1998 and additional information by 1 March 1999, for compilation into a miscellaneous document;

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<sup>6</sup> Published by: UNEP Collaborating Centre on Energy and Environment, Risø National Laboratory, Denmark, 1998. Available on request from: UNEP Collaborating Centre on Energy and Environment, Risø National Laboratory, P.O. Box 49, DK 4000 Roskilde, Denmark.

(h) The SBSTA requested the secretariat to prepare a work programme on methodological issues related to Articles 5, 7 and 8 of the Kyoto Protocol to be considered at the tenth session, taking into account the activities of the IPCC and other relevant organizations, and in accordance with decision 8/CP.4;<sup>7</sup>

(i) The SBSTA requested the secretariat to provide information to the SBSTA, at its tenth session, on emissions resulting from fuel sold to ships or aircraft engaged in international transport, taking into account the ongoing work of the International Maritime Organization (IMO) and the International Civil Aviation Organization (ICAO). It took note of the information provided by ICAO and requested the secretariat to invite representatives of ICAO and IMO to report on their work to the SBSTA at its tenth session;

(j) The SBSTA encouraged the IPCC-OECD-IEA Programme for National Greenhouse Gas Inventories to make available to the SBSTA as soon as possible the results of the expert meetings on national feedback on the Revised 1996 IPCC Guidelines and on managing uncertainty in national GHG inventories;

(k) The SBSTA requested the secretariat to consult with the IPCC through the Joint Working Group on a comprehensive joint plan for the inventory programme covering scientific and operational aspects and including a clear division of responsibilities between the IPCC and the Convention secretariat.

52. At the 8<sup>th</sup> meeting, on 9 November, the SBSTA decided to recommend a draft decision for adoption by the COP at its fourth session, on the relationship between efforts to protect the stratospheric ozone layer and efforts to safeguard the global climate system: issues related to hydrofluorocarbons and perfluorocarbons.<sup>8</sup>

53. An objection was raised by the representative of the Russian Federation to paragraph 3 of this decision, on procedural grounds.

## **V. ADOPTION OF THE REPORT**

(Agenda item 5)

54. At its 9<sup>th</sup> meeting, on 10 November, the SBSTA considered the draft report on its ninth session (FCCC/SBSTA/1998/L.8). A statement was made by the representative of a Party.

55. At the same meeting, the SBSTA authorized the Chairman, with the assistance of the secretariat, to complete the report on the session.

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<sup>7</sup> Document FCCC/CP/1998/L.19.

<sup>8</sup> Document FCCC/CP/1998/L.7. For the full text of the decision by the COP, see decision 13/CP.4.

## **VI. CLOSURE OF THE SESSION**

56. At its 9<sup>th</sup> meeting, on 10 November, after thanking all participants for their contribution to the success of the session, and having expressed particular appreciation to the host Government of Argentina, the Chairman declared the session closed.

Annex

**List of documents before the Subsidiary Body for Scientific and Technological Advice  
at its ninth session**

FCCC/CP/1998/1 and Add.1	Provisional agenda and annotations. Note by the Executive Secretary
FCCC/CP/1998/2	Activities implemented jointly: Review of progress under the pilot phase (decision 5/CP.1). Second synthesis report on activities implemented jointly
FCCC/CP/1998/3	Matters related to decision 1/CP.3, paragraph 6: Preparations for the first session of the Conference of the Parties serving as the meeting of the Parties to the Protocol. Note by the Chairmen of the Subsidiary Body for Scientific and Technological Advice and the Subsidiary Body for Implementation
FCCC/CP/1998/6	Progress report on transfer of technology: draft work programme
FCCC/CP/1998/7	Report on the development of the observational networks of the climate system
FCCC/CP/1998/INF.3	Activities implemented jointly: review of progress under the pilot phase (decision 5/CP.1). Update on activities implemented jointly
FCCC/CP/1998/INF.4	Matters related to decision 1/CP.3, paragraph 5. Report on the initial SBSTA workshop on land-use, land-use change and forestry related to the Kyoto Protocol
FCCC/CP/1998/MISC.1 and Add.1 and 2	Matters related to decision 1/CP.3, paragraph 5. Land-use change and forestry. Submissions by Parties
FCCC/CP/1998/MISC.2	Comprehensive report on the development of the observational networks of the climate system
FCCC/CP/1998/MISC.5 and Add.1-3	Development and transfer of technologies (decision 13/CP.1). Submissions by Parties
FCCC/CP/1998/MISC.7 and Add.1-4	Matters related to decision 1/CP.3, paragraph 5. Article 6 of the Kyoto Protocol. Article 12 of the Kyoto



	Protocol. Article 17 of the Kyoto Protocol. Activities implemented jointly. Compilation of submissions by Parties
FCCC/CP/1998/MISC.9 and Add.1 and 2	Matters related to decision 1/CP.3, paragraph 5. Land-use change and forestry. Submissions by Parties
FCCC/CP/1998/MISC.11 and Add.1	Matters related to decision 1/CP.3, paragraph 5. Impact of single projects on emissions in the commitment period
FCCC/CP/1998/L.1/Rev.1	Participation in contact groups
FCCC/CP/1998/L.4	Research and systematic observation: recommendation of the Subsidiary Body for Scientific and Technological Advice
FCCC/CP/1998/L.5	Land-use change and forestry: recommendation of the Subsidiary Body for Scientific and Technological Advice
FCCC/CP/1998/L.7	Report of the Subsidiary Body for Scientific and Technological Advice: recommendation of the Subsidiary Body for Scientific and Technological Advice
FCCC/CP/1998/L.8	Impact of single projects on emissions in the commitment period: recommendation of the Subsidiary Body for Scientific and Technological Advice
FCCC/CP/1998/L.16	Development and transfer of technologies (decision 13/CP.1): recommendation of the Subsidiary Body for Scientific and Technological Advice
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