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Addendum

Recommendation of the Subsidiary Body for Scientific and Technological Advice

The Subsidiary Body for Scientific and Technological Advice, at its twenty-fifth session, decided to recommend the following draft conclusions for adoption by the Conference of the Parties at its twelfth session:

Draft conclusions on issues relating to greenhouse gas inventories

1. The Conference of the Parties (COP) noted the importance of the annual review process of greenhouse gas (GHG) inventories for Parties included in Annex I to the Convention (Annex I Parties), in accordance with decision 19/CP.8, in ensuring the reliability of information available to the COP and requested the secretariat to continue with the individual reviews of GHG inventories from Annex I Parties.

2. The COP, by its decision 7/CP.11, recognized that streamlining of the review process is required during the period 2006–2007. It decided that for the 2006 GHG inventory submissions, the annual inventory review for Annex I Parties may be rescheduled in order to facilitate coordination with other reviews.

3. The COP noted with concern the high volume of review work in 2007 related to the ongoing reviews of the national communications, the rescheduled reviews of 2006 GHG inventory submissions coordinated with other reviews, and forthcoming reviews of 2007 GHG inventory submissions. This places considerable pressure on, and demand for resources from, the Parties, review experts and the
secretariat. The COP noted the need for continued flexibility in the timing of the review activities for the 2007 GHG inventory submissions.

4. The COP requested the secretariat to continue to exercise a certain degree of flexibility with regard to the timing of the review in organizing review activities, in accordance with decisions 19/CP.8 and 7/CP.11, for the 2007 GHG inventory submissions.