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National communications and greenhouse gas inventory data from Parties
included in Annex I to the Convention
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Draft conclusions proposed by the Chair

Addendum

Recommendation of the Subsidiary Body for Implementation

The Subsidiary Body for Implementation, at its twenty-seventh session, decided to recommend the following draft decision for adoption by the Conference of the Parties at its thirteenth session:

Draft decision -/CP.13

Compilation and synthesis of fourth national communications

The Conference of the Parties,

Recalling Article 4, paragraph 2 (a) and (b), Article 12 and other relevant provisions of the Convention,

Further recalling its decisions 2/CP.1, 3/CP.1, 6/CP.3, 11/CP.4, 4/CP.5, 26/CP.7, 33/CP.7, 4/CP.8, 1/CP.9 and 7/CP.11,

Emphasizing that the national communications and annual greenhouse gas inventories submitted by Parties included in Annex I to the Convention are the main source of information for reviewing the implementation of the Convention by these Parties, and that the reports from the in-depth reviews of these national communications provide important additional information for this purpose,

Welcoming the work of the secretariat in preparing the compilation and synthesis report on fourth national communications,¹

1. *Urges* Parties included in Annex I to the Convention that have not submitted their national communications in accordance with decision 4/CP.8 to do so as a matter of priority;
2. *Requests* Annex I Parties to submit to the secretariat a fifth national communication by 1 January 2010 in accordance with Article 12, paragraphs 1 and 2 of the Convention, with a view to submitting the sixth national communication four years after this date;
3. *Concludes* that the review of the national communications and consideration of the outcomes of this review have proved to be useful and should continue in accordance with decisions 2/CP.1, 6/CP.3 and 11/CP.4;
4. *Decides* that national communications can be submitted to the secretariat in electronic format only;
5. *Decides* to consider the date of submission of sixth national communications of Annex I Parties at its fifteenth session to be held in December 2009 at the latest.

¹ FCCC/SBI/2007/INF.6 and Add. 1 and 2.