Matters relating to the least developed countries

Draft conclusions proposed by the Chair

1. The Subsidiary Body for Implementation (SBI) took note of the oral report by the Chair of the Least Developed Countries Expert Group (LEG) and welcomed the report on the thirteenth meeting of the LEG, held in Sana’a, Yemen, from 14 to 16 April 2008.¹

2. The SBI expressed its appreciation to the LEG for its good work and welcomed the work programme for 2008–2010² which was developed in response to decision 8/CP.13.

3. The SBI expressed its appreciation to the Government of Yemen for hosting the thirteenth meeting of the LEG. It also expressed its gratitude to the Governments of Denmark, Ireland and Norway for providing financial support for the work of the LEG.

4. The SBI endorsed the work programme of the LEG for 2008–2010 and encouraged the LEG, in the implementation of its work programme, to seek to ensure the complementarity of its activities with related efforts by the Global Environment Facility (GEF), its agencies and other relevant entities.

5. The SBI welcomed the submission of 34 national adaptation programmes of action (NAPAs) to the secretariat as at 6 June 2008, and encouraged those Parties that have not yet submitted their NAPAs to do so in a timely manner.

6. The SBI noted efforts being made by least developed country Parties and the GEF to implement NAPAs, and looked forward to the report from the GEF to the Conference of the Parties at its fourteenth session (December 2008) on progress being made in the implementation of NAPAs under the Least Developed Countries Fund.

¹ FCCC/SBI/2008/6.
² FCCC/SBI/2008/6, annex I.
7. The SBI invited the LEG to report on its progress at the twenty-ninth session of the SBI (December 2008), and to include in this report information showing how the LEG has prioritized its work and the timelines for activities.

8. The SBI welcomed the offer of the Government of Ethiopia to host the fourteenth meeting of the LEG in Addis Ababa.

9. The SBI invited Parties in a position to do so to support the work of the LEG and provide resources in support of its work programme.