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Item 7 (a) Methodological issues under the Convention Scientific and methodological aspects of the proposal by Brazil

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Draft conclusions proposed by the Chair

1. The Subsidiary Body for Scientific and Technological Advice (SBSTA) took note of the results of the work on scientific and methodological aspects of the proposal by Brazil¹ and of the views of Parties on the subject.²

2. The SBSTA expressed its appreciation for the work of Parties, research institutions and experts on scientific and methodological aspects of the proposal by Brazil.³ It also expressed its appreciation to those governments that provided support for this work.

3. The SBSTA agreed that the work carried out has established robust methodologies to quantify historical contributions to climate change and provided useful information that could help Parties to better understand the scientific and methodological aspects of the proposal by Brazil. The SBSTA noted that there are uncertainties in the underlying historical emissions data, in particular from land-use change and forestry.

4. The SBSTA further noted that the results of the work may be relevant to the work of Parties under other bodies and within other processes under the Convention and its Kyoto Protocol.⁴

5. The SBSTA concluded its consideration of this issue.

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¹ FCCC/SBSTA/2008/MISC.1.

² FCCC/SBSTA/2008/MISC.5.

³ For example, see the scientific work of the ad hoc group for the modelling and assessment of contributions of climate change (MATCH) available at <www.match-info.net>.

⁴ These may include the Ad Hoc Working Group on Further Commitments for Annex I Parties under the Kyoto Protocol and the Ad Hoc Working Group on Long-term Cooperative Action under the Convention.