Conference of the Parties serving as the meeting of the Parties to the Kyoto Protocol
Sixth session
Cancun, 29 November to 10 December 2010
Item X of the provisional agenda

Proposal from Kazakhstan to amend Annex B to the Kyoto Protocol

Note by the secretariat

1. The procedures for amending an annex to the Kyoto Protocol to the United Nations Framework Convention on Climate Change are contained in Article 21 of the Kyoto Protocol. Article 21, paragraph 2, states that “Any Party may make proposals for an annex to this Protocol and may propose amendments to annexes to this Protocol.” Article 21, paragraph 3, states that “Annexes to this Protocol and amendments to annexes to this Protocol shall be adopted at an ordinary session of the Conference of the Parties serving as the meeting of the Parties to this Protocol. The text of any proposed annex or amendment to an annex shall be communicated to the Parties by the secretariat at least six months before the meeting at which it is proposed for adoption. The secretariat shall also communicate the text of any proposed annex or amendment to an annex to the Parties and signatories to the Convention and, for information, to the Depositary.”

2. Kazakhstan, by a letter dated 18 September 2009, proposed an amendment to Annex B to the Kyoto Protocol. The letter and the proposed amendment are attached to this document. At its fifth session,¹ the Conference of the Parties serving as the meeting of the Parties to the Kyoto Protocol (CMP) noted the proposal and agreed to place it on the provisional agenda for its sixth session. The CMP also requested the Subsidiary Body for Implementation (SBI) to consider the proposal at its thirty-second session and to report on the outcome to the CMP at its sixth session.

3. In accordance with Article 21, paragraph 3, of the Kyoto Protocol, the secretariat communicated the proposal to the Parties to the Kyoto Protocol, and to the Parties and

¹ FCCC/KP/CMP/2009/21, paragraphs 84 to 94.
signatories to the Convention in a note verbale dated 21 January 2010 and, for information, to
the Depositary by a letter dated 6 January 2010.

4. At its thirty-second session, the SBI considered this proposal, as requested by the CMP
at its fifth session. The conclusions of the SBI on this issue are contained in the report on its
thirty-second session.²

5. The CMP is invited to consider the proposed amendment and take any action it deems
appropriate.

² FCCC/SBI/2010/10, paragraphs 129 to 138.
Letter dated 18 September 2009 from Kazakhstan addressed to the Executive Secretary of the United Nations Framework Convention on Climate Change proposing an amendment to Annex B to the Kyoto Protocol

The Ministry of Environment Protection of the Republic of Kazakhstan by this letter submits its request to the UNFCCC Secretariat to include an item related to the amendment of Annex B to the Kyoto Protocol into the CMP agenda to be held from 7 to 18 December 2009 in Copenhagen, Denmark.

In accordance with procedures contained in Article 21 of the Kyoto Protocol the Ministry of Environment Protection of Kazakhstan requests the Secretariat to communicate to the Kyoto Parties the attached amendment to Annex B of the Kyoto Protocol.

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Annex

Proposed amendment to the Kyoto Protocol to the United Nations Framework Convention on Climate Change, to be inserted between the entries for Japan and Latvia

ANNEX B

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* Signifies that Kazakhstan is one of the countries that are undergoing the process of transition to a market economy.