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Draft conclusions proposed by the Chair

1. The Subsidiary Body for Implementation (SBI) took note of the information provided by the representative of the Host Government of the secretariat that the completion of the new conference facilities in Bonn, Germany, has been further delayed due to circumstances beyond the control of the German Government. The completion of the conference facilities is now expected for the first half of 2013. The SBI appreciated the efforts and investments made by the Host Government and city, in response to its request¹ to seek practical interim solutions to accommodate the growing number of participants, and to address relevant logistical arrangements. It requested the Host Government to redouble its efforts in providing sufficient and adequate meeting space.

2. The SBI was informed by the representative of the Host Government of delays in the completion of the new premises for the secretariat in Bonn, Germany: completion of the first stage having shifted from the end of 2011 to the middle of 2012 and the second stage, which will include an additional building to provide the secretariat with a modern, productive, and environmentally sound working environment, to be completed in 2016.

3. The SBI took note of the statement by the Executive Secretary, in which she expressed her satisfaction with many aspects of the implementation of the Headquarters Agreement, but which also noted her areas of concern. In particular, the SBI was informed by the Executive Secretary of the options explored by the secretariat to address the lack of permanent conference facilities in Bonn, Germany. The SBI welcomed in this context the additional conference hall provided by the German Government. This second plenary allowed the thirty-fourth sessions of the subsidiary bodies to be held in a satisfactory meeting space. The SBI also noted the difficulties faced by the secretariat due to delays in the provision of office facilities, which include operating from different locations.

¹ FCCC/SBI/2010/10, paragraph 156.

4. The SBI invited the Host Government and the Executive Secretary to report to it at its thirty-fifth session on further progress made on these and other aspects of the implementation of the Headquarters Agreement.
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