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Addendum

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VII. ARRANGEMENTS FOR INTERGOVERNMENTAL MEETINGS

(Agenda item 7)

1. Proceedings

18 bis. At the 4th meeting, on 27 October, the Executive Secretary reported that the Convention secretariat and the Government of Japan had succeeded in reaching a mutually acceptable understanding in their discussions on arrangements for the third session of the Conference of the Parties in Kyoto. He recalled that the question of the legal character of the Conference of the Parties and its secretariat, and the related question of privileges and immunities to be enjoyed by participants in Convention bodies meeting away from the seat of the secretariat, needed to be addressed by the Conference of the Parties in due course.

18 ter. At the same meeting, the representative of Japan expressed his Government's satisfaction that it would now be possible to proceed to conclude final arrangements for the third session of the Conference of the Parties at Kyoto. Japan had hosted a large number of international conferences held under the auspices of the United Nations, and every effort would be made to ensure the success of the Kyoto Conference. His Government and the people of Japan, and in particular the people of Kyoto, were eagerly awaiting the opportunity to welcome participants to the third session of the Conference of the Parties.

2. Conclusions

A. Third session of the Conference of the Parties

... At its 4th meeting, on 27 October, the SBI, on the proposal of the Chairman, adopted the following conclusions:

- (a) The SBI reiterated its gratitude to the Government and the people of Japan for offering to host the third session of the Conference of the Parties in Kyoto and expressed its appreciation for the interest shown in the Conference by the local authorities and citizens of Kyoto;
- (b) The SBI noted the statement made by the Executive Secretary on the understanding reached between the Government of Japan and the Convention secretariat on arrangements for the third session of the Conference of the Parties; and
- (c) The SBI requested the Executive Secretary to conclude arrangements with the Government of Japan on the basis of that understanding.

B. Fourth session of the Conference of the Parties

... At its 4th meeting, on 27 October, the SBI, having considered a proposal by the Chairman, decided to recommend, for adoption by the Conference of the Parties at its third session, a draft decision on the fourth session of the Conference of the Parties (for the text of the draft decision, see document FCCC/SBI/1997/L.10). This recommended decision supersedes that contained in annex V of document FCCC/SBI/1997/16.

VIII. PROPOSED AMENDMENTS TO THE CONVENTION

(Agenda item 8)

2. Conclusions

20 bis. At its 4th meeting, on 27 October, the SBI decided to recommend to the COP that the proposed amendments should be taken up in the order in which they had been received by the secretariat.

IX. ADMINISTRATIVE AND FINANCIAL MATTERS

(Agenda item 9)

2. Conclusions

21 bis. At its 5th meeting, on 27 October, the SBI, having considered a proposal by the Chairman, decided to recommend, for adoption by the Conference of the Parties at its third session, a draft decision on the financial performance of the Convention in the biennium 1996-1997 and a draft decision on arrangements for administrative support to the Convention secretariat (for the texts of these draft decisions, see document FCCC/SBI/1997/L.11).

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