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**NATIONAL COMMUNICATIONS FROM PARTIES INCLUDED IN
ANNEX I TO THE CONVENTION**

Progress report on the in-depth reviews of third national communications

Note by the secretariat

1. This note provides information on the status of submission of third national communications from Parties included in Annex I to the Convention (Annex I Parties) and on the reviews coordinated by the secretariat. In accordance with decision 11/CP.4 of the Conference of the Parties (COP) at its fourth session,¹ third national communications should have been submitted to the secretariat by 30 November 2001. The COP, by its decision 33/CP.7,² requested the secretariat to apply procedures for the review of third national communications, including in-depth reviews, as defined in decisions 2/CP.1 and 6/CP.3.³
2. At the time of the preparation of this note the secretariat has received third national communications from 27 Annex I Parties. Thirteen of these communications were submitted on or before the due date. Two other Parties have submitted their first national communications. All the national communications received so far have been posted on the secretariat web site.⁴
3. The secretariat started the in-depth reviews of third national communications in the first half of 2002. To date, 12 Parties have been visited by international teams of experts and more review visits are planned for the end of 2002 and the first half of 2003.
4. The table below shows the status of submission of third national communications and the dates of their review. Tentatively scheduled in-depth reviews are also presented therein.

¹ For the full texts of decisions adopted by the Conference of the Parties at its fourth session, see FCCC/CP/1998/16/Add.1.

² For the full texts of decisions adopted by the Conference of the Parties at its seventh session, see FCCC/CP/2001/13/Add.1–4.

³ For the full texts of decisions adopted by the Conference of the Parties at its first and third sessions, see FCCC/CP/1995/7/Add.1 and FCCC/CP/1997/7/Add.1, respectively.

⁴ <http://unfccc.int/resource/natcom/nctable.html#a1>

Third national communications (submission due date 30 November 2001):
status of submission and in-depth review as at 14 October 2002

Annex I Party ^a	Communication received	Language of the communication	Review visit	Status of the in-depth review report	Notes
Australia	16 August 2002	English			
Austria	29 November 2001	English	30 Sept. – 4 Oct. 2002	In preparation	Visit done
Belarus					
Belgium	29 April 2002	English	25–29 Nov. 2002		
Bulgaria	31 July 2002	English			
Canada	19 February 2002	English and French	17–21 June 2002	In preparation	Visit done
Croatia (NC1)	7 February 2002	English	4–8 March 2002	Published FCCC/IDR.1/HRV and Add.1	
Czech Republic	28 December 2001	English	15–19 July 2002	In preparation	Visit done
Denmark	14 October 2002	English			Advance submission
Estonia	30 November 2001	English	18–22 Nov. 2002		
European Community	21 December 2001	English			
Finland	20 November 2001	English	30 Sept. – 4 Oct. 2002	In preparation	Visit done
France	30 November 2001	English and French	13–17 May 2002	In preparation	Visit done
Germany					
Greece					
Hungary	2 July 2002	English			
Iceland					
Ireland					
Italy	14 October 2002	English			Advance submission
Japan	31 May 2002	English	2–6 Dec. 2002		
Latvia	30 November 2001	English	8–12 July 2002	In preparation	Visit done
Liechtenstein	10 April 2002	English			
Lithuania					
Luxembourg					
Monaco	2 November 2001	French			
Netherlands	23 November 2001	English	9–13 Dec. 2002		
New Zealand	30 November 2001	English	24–28 June 2002	In preparation	Visit done
Norway	8 May 2002	English	7–11 October 2002	In preparation	Visit done
Poland	30 November 2001	English	24 Feb. – 1 Mar. 2003		
Portugal					
Romania					
Russian Federation					
Slovakia	24 October 2001	English	9–13 Sept. 2002	In preparation	Visit done
Slovenia (NC1)	28 Aug 2002	English	9–13 Dec. 2002		
Spain	1 April 2002	Spanish (Executive Summary in English)	February 2003		
Sweden	30 November 2001	English	2–6 Dec. 2002		
Switzerland	7 November 2001	English	18–22 March 2002	Published FCCC/IDR.3/CHE	
Ukraine					
United Kingdom	30 October 2001	English	14–18 October 2002	In preparation	Visit done
United States of America	28 May 2002	English	February 2003		

^a NC1 indicates submission of first national communication only.