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Addendum

I. Introduction

1. Since the issue of document FCCC/SBI/2005/1 containing the provisional agenda and annotations for the twenty-second session of the Subsidiary Body for Implementation, the Executive Secretary has decided to prepare an additional document for the session outlining options and measures aimed at making meetings relating to the Convention ‘climate neutral’. This new document will be taken up under agenda sub-item 8 (b) Any other matters.
2. This addendum to document FCCC/SBI/2005/1 contains the amended section II.8 (b) of the annotations to the provisional agenda. Consequently, the paragraph numbers of section II.9 will change as a result of the introduction of new text in section II.8 (b).
3. In addition, new documents FCCC/SBI/2005/9 “Climate neutral UNFCCC meetings. Note by the secretariat” and this present document FCCC/SBI/2005/1/Add.1 are added to the list of documents prepared for the session as contained in the annex to document FCCC/SBI/2005/1; in order to save paper, the complete list of documents is not reproduced here.

II. Annotations to the provisional agenda

8. Other matters

(b) Any other matters

4. Background: In 2004, the UNFCCC secretariat started to work on making UNFCCC meetings climate neutral. The goal of this initiative is to estimate the GHG emissions generated as a result of subsidiary body and COP sessions and to compensate for these emissions through climate change mitigation activities elsewhere. The secretariat reviewed methods used by other organizations to calculate GHG emissions and developed a prototype tool to estimate the GHG emissions of Convention body sessions. At COP 10, the secretariat organized a side event to discuss this initiative, to present an estimate of the GHG emissions relating to conducting the sessions of SBSTA 20, SBI 20 and COP 10, and to share experience and exchange views with Parties and other stakeholders on methodological aspects and options for offsetting the emissions. This initiative was well received by the participants in the event. To further advance this initiative, the secretariat is planning, as a pilot exercise, to make the twenty-second sessions of the subsidiary bodies climate neutral.

5. A document containing a proposal on making the UNFCCC meetings climate neutral, including options for offsetting these emissions, has been prepared for consideration by the SBI.

6. *Action:* The SBI is invited to consider the information provided and the options for undertaking further activities on this matter. It may wish to decide if the secretariat should continue this work and, if so, agree on next steps.

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<i>Climate neutral UNFCCC meetings. Note by the secretariat</i>

7. Any other matters arising during the session will be taken up under this sub-item.
