



SUBSIDIARY BODY FOR IMPLEMENTATION

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National communications from Parties not included in Annex I to the Convention

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Draft conclusions prepared by the Chair

1. The Subsidiary Body for Implementation (SBI) took note of the information on financial support provided by the secretariat of the Global Environment Facility (GEF) for the preparation of national communications from Parties not included in Annex I to the Convention (non-Annex I Parties).¹
2. The SBI invited the GEF to continue to provide information, ensuring that it is detailed, accurate, timely and complete, on its activities relating to the preparation of national communications by non-Annex I Parties, including information on the dates of approval of funding and disbursement of funds, for consideration by the SBI at its thirty-first session.
3. The SBI noted with appreciation that 10 second national communications have been submitted by non-Annex I Parties, and that 67 other non-Annex I Parties expect to complete their draft national communications by the end of 2009, while 37 have stated that their draft national communications will be completed by the end of 2010.
4. The SBI encouraged those non-Annex I Parties that have already received funding for their second or, where appropriate, third national communications to make all efforts to submit their national communications in accordance with decision 8/CP.11, paragraph 3. Parties that are least developed countries may submit their national communications at their discretion.
5. The SBI reiterated the request to the GEF made by the Conference of the Parties (COP) in its decisions 7/CP.13 and 4/CP.14, to assist, as appropriate, non-Annex I Parties in formulating and developing project proposals identified in their national communications in accordance with Article 12, paragraph 4, of the Convention and decision 5/CP.11, paragraph 2. It invited the GEF to report on such submitted or approved project proposals in its report to the COP at its fifteenth session.
6. The SBI took note of the proposal from the GEF secretariat to reallocate funds from its fourth replenishment. It urged the GEF, in accordance with decision 4/CP.14, to ensure, as a top priority, that

¹ FCCC/SBI/2009/INF.5.

sufficient financial resources are provided to meet the agreed full costs incurred by developing country Parties in complying with their obligations under Article 12, paragraph 1, of the Convention, noting and welcoming that a number of non-Annex I Parties plan to initiate the preparation of their third or fourth national communications by the end of the fourth replenishment of the GEF.

7. The SBI encouraged non-Annex I Parties to submit project proposals for the funding of their subsequent national communications before completion of their current national communications, in order to avoid a lack of continuity in project financing.

8. The SBI noted the concerns expressed by several Parties that the funding provided for national communications through the expedited procedures may not be adequate for some non-Annex I Parties to implement activities that they are to undertake as part of the process of preparation of their national communications.
