Decision 4/CP.8

National communications from Parties included in Annex I to the Convention

The Conference of the Parties,

Recalling the relevant provisions of the United Nations Framework Convention on Climate Change, in particular Articles 4, 5 and 6, Article 7, paragraph 2, Article 9, paragraph 2 (b), Article 10, paragraph 2, Article 11 and Article 12,

Recalling its decisions 9/CP.2, 6/CP.3, 11/CP.4 and 33/CP.7 on national communications from Parties included in Annex I to the Convention, decision 4/CP.3, which amended the list in Annex I to the Convention, and decision 4/CP.5 on the guidelines for the preparation of national communications by Parties included in Annex I to the Convention, part II: UNFCCC reporting guidelines on national communications,

Having considered the relevant recommendations of the Subsidiary Body for Implementation,

- 1. *Urges* those Parties included in Annex I to the Convention which have not submitted their first, second or third national communication, including those Parties that were included in Annex I by decision 4/CP.3, to do so as soon as possible;
- 2. *Urges those* Parties included in Annex I to the Convention which have not submitted their annual greenhouse gas inventories pursuant to decisions 11/CP.4 and 3/CP.5 to do so as soon as possible;
- 3. *Requests* Parties included in Annex I to the Convention to submit to the secretariat, in accordance with Article 12, paragraphs 1 and 2, a fourth national communication by 1 January 2006;
- 4. *Concludes* that the review of the national communications and consideration of the outcome of this review has proven its utility and it should continue in accordance with decisions 2/CP.1, 6/CP.3 and 11/CP.4.

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