

Decision 25/CP.8

Demonstrable progress under Article 3, paragraph 2, of the Kyoto Protocol

The Conference of the Parties,

Recalling Article 3, paragraph 2, of the Kyoto Protocol,

Recalling also its decisions 4/CP.5 and 13/CP.7,

Recalling further its decision 22/CP.7, by which it urged each Party included in Annex I to the Convention that is also a Party to the Kyoto Protocol to submit, by 1 January 2006, a report to provide the Conference of the Parties serving as the meeting of the Parties to the Kyoto Protocol with the basis for reviewing the demonstration of progress by 2005, in accordance with Article 3, paragraph 2, of the Kyoto Protocol,

1. *Reiterates* that the report mentioned in the third preambular paragraph shall include:

(a) A description of domestic measures, including any legal and institutional steps to prepare to implement each Party's commitments under the Kyoto Protocol to mitigate greenhouse gas emissions, and any of its programmes for domestic compliance and enforcement;

(b) Trends in, and projections of, its greenhouse gas emissions;

(c) An evaluation of how such domestic measures, in light of these trends and projections, will contribute to the Party's meeting its commitments under Article 3;

(d) A description of the activities, actions and programmes undertaken by the Party in fulfilment of its commitments under Articles 10 and 11.

2. *Requests* each Party included in Annex I to the Convention that is also a Party to the Kyoto Protocol, to prepare the above-mentioned report in accordance with the provisions of 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,¹ and the provisions of the guidelines for the preparation of the information required under Article 7 of the Kyoto Protocol,² relating to paragraph 1 above, and incorporating any relevant contribution pursuant to decision 13/CP.7;

3. *Requests* each Party included in Annex I to the Convention that is also a Party to the Kyoto Protocol to prepare the above-mentioned report as a single document including four chapters that shall contain the information required by paragraph 1 above. The information should be consistent with that provided by the Party in its fourth national communication³ and will be evaluated together with the national communication submitted after the entry into force of the Kyoto Protocol;

¹ Decision 4/CP.5 (FCCC/CP/1999/7).

² Document FCCC/CP/2001/13/Add.3.

³ The date for submission of the fourth national communication from Parties included in Annex I to the Convention is 1 January 2006 (decision 4/CP.8).

4. *Requests* the secretariat to prepare a synthesis of the reports by Parties on demonstrable progress for consideration by the Subsidiary Body for Implementation at its first session in 2006. The Subsidiary Body for Implementation shall use this report as the basis for reviewing the demonstration of progress by 2005, in accordance with Article 3, paragraph 2, of the Kyoto Protocol, with a view to providing advice on this matter to the subsequent session of the Conference of Parties serving as the meeting of the Parties to the Kyoto Protocol.

7th plenary meeting
1 November 2002