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Draft conclusions proposed by the Chair

1. The Subsidiary Body for Implementation (SBI) welcomed the compilation and synthesis of supplementary information incorporated in the fifth national communications¹ submitted in accordance with Article 7, paragraph 2, of the Kyoto Protocol² prepared by the secretariat and took note thereof.
2. The SBI emphasized that the national communications and annual greenhouse gas (GHG) inventories submitted by Parties included in Annex I to the Convention (Annex I Parties) that are also Parties to the Kyoto Protocol are the main source of information for reviewing the implementation of the Convention and its Kyoto Protocol by these Parties, and that the reports on the in-depth reviews of these national communications provide important additional information for this purpose.
3. The SBI noted that the information reported in the fifth national communications shows that Annex I Parties that are also Parties to the Kyoto Protocol are improving the quality of their reporting under the Kyoto Protocol.

¹ The term “fifth national communications” includes the second, third and fourth national communications that were submitted during the period of time in which the majority of Parties included in Annex I to the Convention submitted their fifth national communication in accordance with decision 10/CP.13.

² FCCC/SBI/2011/INF.2.

4. The SBI urged Annex I Parties that are also Parties to the Kyoto Protocol to enhance further the completeness, comparability and level of detail of the reported information in accordance with the “Guidelines for the preparation of the information required under Article 7 of the Kyoto Protocol”.³

5. The SBI noted that the total aggregate GHG emissions of Annex I Parties that are also Parties to the Kyoto Protocol, excluding emissions and removals from land use, land-use change and forestry (LULUCF), decreased by 16.2 per cent; GHG emissions, excluding emissions and removals from LULUCF, from Annex I Parties that are also Parties to the Kyoto Protocol with economies in transition decreased by 36.4 per cent; and GHG emissions, excluding emissions and removals from LULUCF, from Annex I Parties that are also Parties to the Kyoto Protocol that do not have economies in transition increased by 0.1 per cent from the base year⁴ to 2008, and for several of these Parties the increase was higher than that level.

6. The SBI decided to recommend a draft decision on this subject for adoption by the Conference of the Parties serving as the meeting of the Parties to the Kyoto Protocol at its eighth session (for the text of the draft decision, see FCCC/SBI/2012/L.15/Add.1).

³ Decision 15/CMP.1, annex, part II.

⁴ “Base year” refers to 1990 for all Annex I Parties except for Bulgaria (1988), Hungary (average of 1985–1987), Poland (1988), Romania (1989) and Slovenia (1986). Annex I Parties may choose to use 1995 as their base year for fluorinated gases for the purpose of calculating their assigned amount pursuant to Article 3, paragraphs 7 and 8, of the Kyoto Protocol.