

**INITIAL VIEWS OF THE G77 AND CHINA ON PROCEDURES AND MECHANISMS
RELATING TO COMPLIANCE UNDER THE KYOTO PROTOCOL**

The Group of G77 and China has identified the following elements relevant to procedures and mechanism relating to compliance under the Kyoto Protocol. These represent the initial views of the Group on this matter and will be developed further as discussions evolve. The list of questions attached hereto, in addition to those compiled by the Secretariat, will be a useful tool in the preparation of further submissions. It is envisaged that such submissions made by members of the Group of G77 and China on the basis hereof would aid the Group to further develop its position on procedures and mechanisms relating to compliance.

ELEMENTS

Elements that need to be taken into account in the development of a compliance regime are, *inter alia* –

- The objective of the compliance regime should be in line with the objective of the Convention and should as a first priority aim at ensuring that the emission reduction commitments are met by Annex B Parties. ✓
- A comprehensive, strong, efficient and effective compliance system is of vital importance for the successful implementation of the Kyoto Protocol and is therefore imperative for the credibility and integrity of the processes to be developed under the Protocol. ✓
- In line with the provisions of the Convention and the Protocol the principle of common but differentiated responsibility is regarded as a corner stone in the design and implementation of the compliance regime. –
- In the design of the compliance regime due cognizance should be given to the principle of the need for adequate and effective national compliance regimes and enforcement measures in Annex B Parties and how these can support and strengthen the international regime. ^{idea} idea ✓
policies –
- The adoption of legally binding and quantified commitments and the introduction of the Kyoto Protocol mechanisms make the development of non-compliance procedures imperative. 0
- The Protocol must be assessed in its totality with a view to identify the essential elements and tools for anticipating, preventing, identifying and responding to non-compliance. ?
- Compliance rules, procedures and institutions should be such that it would enable the climate change regime to anticipate, prevent, identify and respond to situations of non-compliance. ✓
- The procedures and mechanisms should be effective, fair and equitable and operate in a transparent, timely and efficient manner. ✓
- Aspects to be considered in the development of the compliance regime are the need for, *inter alia* –
 - the elaboration of relevant principles, modalities and guidelines for the verification, reporting and accountability under the Protocol's mechanisms; ✓
 - the potential application to the Protocol of any MCP adopted under the Convention; 0