

SBSTA at a future session, taking into account that this issue will be taken up by the IPCC in its Third Assessment Report.

## VII. DEVELOPMENT AND TRANSFER OF TECHNOLOGIES

(Agenda item 7)

### 1. Proceedings

54. The SBSTA considered this item at its 6<sup>th</sup>, 12<sup>th</sup> and 13<sup>th</sup> meetings, on 4 and 12 June, respectively. It had before it the following documents: FCCC/SBSTA/1998/5, FCCC/SBSTA/1998/INF.2, FCCC/SBSTA/1998/INF.5, FCCC/SBSTA/1998/MISC.4 and FCCC/SBSTA/1998/MISC.5. The Chairman recalled that, for technical reasons, document FCCC/TP/1998/1 would not be available at the current session. Instead, the document would be presented to the SBSTA at its ninth session.

55. Statements were made by representatives of 18 Parties, including one speaking on behalf of the African Group, another speaking on behalf of the European Community and its member States and another speaking on behalf of the Group of 77 and China.

56. At the 6<sup>th</sup> meeting on 4 June, a statement was made by the Vice-Chairman of the International Energy Agency (IEA) Energy and Environmental Technologies Information Centres (EETIC). The SBSTA welcomed the information contained in this statement that the IEA/OECD GREENTIE would accept information from all Parties in its database of companies and products to mitigate GHG emissions, and, in particular, the invitation to participants from developing countries to attend its annual meetings, and the investigation of channels of support for participation by developing countries and countries with economies in transition. The SBSTA also encouraged other organizations involved in similar activities from other sectors to provide information on those activities.

57. Also at the 6<sup>th</sup> meeting on 4 June, the SBSTA agreed that this issue would be considered in an informal contact group. This informal contact group was chaired by Ms. Renate Christ (European Community) and Ms. Wanna Tanunchaiwatana (Thailand).

### 2. Conclusions

58. At its 13<sup>th</sup> meeting, having considered a proposal by the Chairman on the basis of inputs from the informal contact group, the SBSTA adopted the following conclusions:

(a) The SBSTA noted with appreciation the progress report on development and transfer of technologies prepared by the secretariat (FCCC/SBSTA/1998/5), the report on the options for technology information centres and networks (FCCC/SBSTA/1998/INF.2), the report on technology and technology information needs arising from the survey of developing country Parties (FCCC/SBSTA/1998/INF.5), and the final report of the survey of technology and