

STATEMENT BY  
CANADA  
ON BEHALF OF THE  
ANNEX 1 EXPERTS' GROUP ON  
THE FRAMEWORK CONVENTION ON CLIMATE CHANGE

Mr. Chairman,

Canada is taking the floor to update delegates on the work of the Annex 1 Experts' Group on the Framework Convention on Climate Change, formerly called the Joint OECD/IEA Project on National Communications. This update is intended to meet the request of FCCC Parties that Parties participating in the Experts' Group provide a regular progress report on its' work. These progress reports represent an input into the analysis and assessment currently under way in the AGBM process. {See the Report of the AGBM on the Work of Its First Session [FCC/AGBM/1995/2/Article 19(f)(vii)].}

The group has requested that the OECD and IEA Secretariats concentrate on two projects: 1) policies and measures for common action and 2) methodologies for estimating the effects of policies and measures and evaluating projections. The Common Actions Project is of most interest to the AGBM and we will therefore focus on its work in this intervention.

The overall objective of the Project on Policies and Measures for Common Action is to broadly assess the relative potential of a range of policies and measures for common action by Annex 1 Parties, with a view to bringing forward this analysis to the AGBM process.

At its last meeting on the 26th and 27th of September, the Annex 1 Experts' Group considered over 100 measures and selected around a dozen for further scoping. These measures cover the energy supply, transport, utilities, renewable and agriculture & forestry sectors in combination with a range of voluntary, regulatory, financial and economic instruments.

At this session of the AGBM we will hear views of Parties on the work plan from now until the third session of the Conference of the Parties, including views on analytic input to policies and measures. Taking into account these views, the Annex 1 Experts' Group will next meet to select representative measures for in-depth analysis.