

Proposal 2

- [1. Recalling decision I/CP.1 of the Conference of the Parties at its first session held at Berlin from 28 March to 7 April 1995 on the Berlin mandate,]
- [2. Recalling [Article 7 paragraph 2][the provisions]of the Convention and taking into account that this Protocol is a related legal instrument to the Convention,]
3. Recognizing the necessity of urgently limiting their anthropogenic emissions of greenhouse gases and of protecting and enhancing their greenhouse gas sinks and reservoirs in order to mitigate the adverse effects of climate change (*para. 11*),
4. Taking note that many of the Parties included in Annex I to the Convention need to make additional efforts to overcome difficulties that they face in achieving the return of their emissions of greenhouse gases to 1990 levels by 2000, and recognizing the necessity for emission limitations and significant overall reductions within specified time-frames with respect to their anthropogenic emissions by sources and removals by sinks of greenhouse gases not controlled by the Montreal Protocol on Substances that Deplete the Ozone Layer, 1987, as adjusted and amended (hereinafter referred to as the "Montreal Protocol") (*para.11.2*).
5. Recognizing that policies and measures undertaken by developed country Parties to limit or reduce their emissions of greenhouse gases likely will have adverse economic and/or social impacts upon many developing countries, including, but not limited to, countries with economies that are highly dependent on income generated from the production, processing and export of fossil fuels, and that such impacts will have an adverse effect on the ability of such countries to achieve the economic and social development and poverty eradication that are the first and overriding priorities of developing countries (*para. 12*).
6. Aware of the advantages of coordinating relevant measures and strategies, including specific administrative and economic instruments to achieve the objective of the Convention (*para. 13*),
7. Acknowledging that in accordance with the principle of common but differentiated responsibilities Parties to the Convention and this Protocol should in future re-examine the impact of global efforts to combat climate change and the adverse effects thereof, (*para 13.1*),
8. Noting that there are many uncertainties in predictions of climate change, particularly with regard to the timing, magnitude and regional patterns thereof (*para 13.2*),
9. Reaffirming that Parties should take precautionary measures to anticipate, prevent, or minimize the causes of climate change and mitigate its adverse effects and that, where there are threats of serious or irreversible damage, lack of full scientific certainty should not be used as a reason for postponing such measures (*para 13.3*),