

**G-77 AND CHINA POSITION PAPER ON A WORKSHOP/FORUM
FOR INITIAL COMMUNICATIONS OF
NON-ANNEX I PARTIES**

I. PREAMBLE

The initial national communications of non-Annex I Parties shall be made in accordance with Article 4.1 and Article 12 of the Framework Convention on Climate Change.

In view of this, the non-Annex I Parties shall develop a format for initial communications in fulfilment of their commitments under the Convention, keeping in mind Decision 8/CP.1 of the First Meeting of the Conference of the Parties.

II. OBJECTIVE

To develop a format for the preparation of initial communications of non-Annex I Parties in a workshop/forum in accordance with Article 12 of the FCCC, the Approach Paper of G-77 and China (Doc. no. A/AC.237/Misc.40), and Decision 4/CP.1 of the First Meeting of the Conference of the Parties.

III. WORKSHOP/FORUM

A core group of regional experts from G-77 and China will constitute a panel to examine the inputs of non-Annex I Parties to this workshop/forum.

This experts' group would meet as necessary to present proposals for further consideration of non-Annex I Parties for adoption of a format for initial communications in a workshop/forum.

Experts from other countries would be invited as resource persons, if necessary.

IV. FUNDING

The Secretariat is requested to assist in mobilizing funds necessary for the workshop/forum in accordance with Articles 8 (2) (c) and 12.7 of the Convention. Parties who are interested to provide resources for the workshop/forum are requested to course their financial assistance through the Secretariat.

V. TIMING

Whenever possible, the workshop/forum should precede the meetings of SBSTA.