Decision 1/CP.5

Implementation of the Buenos Aires Plan of Action

The Conference of the Parties,

Recalling its decision 1/CP.4, by which it expressed its determination to strengthen the implementation of the United Nations Framework Convention on Climate Change and prepare for the future entry into force of the Kyoto Protocol and to maintain political momentum towards these aims,

Further recalling its resolve to demonstrate substantial progress on each of the issues encompassed by the Buenos Aires Plan of Action in accordance with their respective time-frames,

Encouraged by the substantial progress achieved in the work specified in the Buenos Aires Plan of Action,

- 1. Resolves to continue this work in the spirit of progress demonstrated at its current session;
- 2. Requests its subsidiary bodies to intensify the preparatory work required to enable it to take decisions at its sixth session on issues included in the Buenos Aires Plan of Action;
- 3. Requests its President, with the assistance of the Bureau, to provide guidance to the subsidiary bodies; to take all necessary steps to intensify the negotiating process on all issues; and to recommend an effective organization of the work of its sixth session, in order to provide the basis for the decisions to be taken at that session, as called for in the Buenos Aires Plan of Action, with the aim, inter alia, of bringing the Kyoto Protocol into force as early as possible;
- 4. Invites all Parties to contribute to this preparatory work, substantively and, as appropriate, financially, inter alia to support adequate participation of developing countries, in particular the least developed countries and the small island developing states;
- 5. Requests the Executive Secretary to make the necessary arrangements and provide substantive support for this intensified work programme.

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