

## **Council conclusions on climate change**

### **CONSIDERATIONS**

1. The Council recalls the Community proposal for a draft protocol made in AGBM, as amended in the submission of 15 January 1997, and in particular the following elements of that proposal:
  - a combined approach of including in a protocol both commitments on policies and measures (Annexes A, B and C), including legally binding policies and measures as well as on quantified legally binding objectives for emission limitations and significant overall reductions within specified time-frames;
  - coverage in the protocol of industrialised countries including all OECD members and countries with economies in transition (Annex X list);
  - Annex E, covering the strengthening by all Parties of the implementation of existing Convention commitments, which contains inter alia provisions to enhance the development, application and diffusion, including transfer of technology;
  - provisions for the review of all commitments in Article 4;
  - provision in Article 2(d) that Annex X Parties may implement policies and measures and attain QELROs jointly with other Annex-X Parties;
  - Annex Y, which is still to be developed, meant to specify the QELRO provisions in Article 2(c) for Annex X Parties;
  - the resolution of questions regarding implementation and compliance in Article 10.