

#### **F. Attendance**

21. The eighth session of the SBSTA was attended by representatives of 126 Parties and by observers from 6 States not parties to the Convention. It was also attended by representatives of 7 United Nations secretariat units and bodies, 5 specialized agencies and related organizations, 3 intergovernmental organizations and 109 non-governmental organizations.<sup>3</sup>

#### **G. Documentation**

22. The documents before the SBSTA at its eighth session are listed in annex I below.

### **III. COOPERATION WITH RELEVANT INTERNATIONAL ORGANIZATIONS (Agenda item 3)**

#### **1. Proceedings**

23. The SBSTA considered this item at its 1<sup>st</sup>, 4<sup>th</sup>, 12<sup>th</sup> and 13<sup>th</sup> meetings on 2, 3 and 12 June, respectively. It had before it documents FCCC/SBSTA/1998/2 and FCCC/SBSTA/1998/MISC.1.

24. At the 1<sup>st</sup> meeting, on 2 June, statements were made by the Chairman of the Intergovernmental Panel on Climate Change (IPCC), the Director of the Global Climate Observing System of the World Meteorological Organization (WMO) and the Executive Director of the International Geosphere-Biosphere Programme (IGBP), all of whom also responded to questions.

25. At the 2<sup>nd</sup> meeting, which was held jointly with the SBI on 2 June, statements relevant to this item were made by Mr. Klaus Töpfer, Executive Director, UNEP and the Executive Secretary (for summaries of these statements, see paragraphs 6 and 7 above).

26. Statements were made by representatives of 19 Parties, including one speaking on behalf of the European Community and its member States and another speaking on behalf of the Group of 77 and China. The representative of a non-governmental organization also made a statement.

#### **2. Conclusions**

27. At its 13<sup>th</sup> meeting, having considered a proposal by the Chairman, the SBSTA adopted the following conclusions:

(a) The SBSTA noted with appreciation the information provided by the secretariat on its cooperation with international organizations. It agreed to invite more international

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<sup>3</sup> For the full list of participants, see document FCCC/1998/INF.1.