

2. Conclusion

22. At its 5th meeting, on 5 August, having considered a proposal by the Chairman, the SBSTA adopted the following conclusion:

(a) At their sixth sessions, the SBI and the SBSTA both decided to recommend a draft decision for adoption by the COP at its third session. The text of this decision is included in the report of the sixth session of the SBI under item 3.

✓ IV. METHODOLOGICAL ISSUES (Agenda item 4)

A. Programme of work (Agenda item 4 (a))

1. Proceedings

23. At its first meeting, on 28 July 1997, the SBSTA had before it documents related to methodologies, namely FCCC/SB/1997/INF.2, FCCC/SBI/1997/10 and FCCC/SBI/1997/INF.1. Having considered a proposal made by the Chairman, the SBSTA established an informal consultative group under the Co-Chairmanship of the Vice-Chairman of the SBSTA and a delegate. The group met on five occasions and considered priorities on methodological issues, including the implications for the biennium budget of the United Nations Framework Convention on Climate Change (UNFCCC). On the basis of their recommendations, the SBSTA adopted the following conclusions:

24. Statements were made by representatives of ---- Parties, ...

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25. Regarding the work of other international organizations, the SBSTA:

(a) Welcomed the plans of the IPCC to assess methodologies in the literature that are relevant to all the clusters, namely inventories, projection, mitigation, impacts and adaptation, and socio-economic cost-benefit analysis, as part of the Third Assessment Report (TAR). It also noted that such information could contribute to the work of other international organizations, the SBSTA and other bodies of the Convention;