

2. Conclusions

64. At its 12th meeting, on 12 June, the SBI, on the recommendation of the Chairman, adopted the following conclusions:

(a) The SBI took note of the generous offer of Jordan and decided to complete its consideration of offers to host COP 5 at its ninth session;

(b) The SBI invited any other Party considering making an offer to host COP 5 to communicate such proposal to the secretariat not later than 30 September 1998.

D. Volume of documentation (Agenda item 9 (d))

1. Proceedings

65. The SBI considered this sub-item at its 8th, 11th and 12th meetings, on 8, 11 and 12 June respectively.

66. At the 8th meeting, on 8 June, the secretariat presented the SBI with an oral report on this sub-item.

67. Also at the 8th meeting, on 8 June, a Party recommended that the secretariat should seek to develop and implement a new document distribution system, in collaboration with the United Nations Office at Geneva, through which Parties may specify as to whether they would prefer to receive documents only through electronic mail or the World Wide Web, or if they would prefer to continue to receive printed versions.

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68. At its 12th meeting, on 12 June, the SBI, on the recommendation of the Chairman, adopted the following conclusions:

(a) The SBI took note of the effort by the secretariat to improve the dissemination of official documentation through electronic media, including the World Wide Web; and

(b) The SBI requested the secretariat to continue to improve the electronic dissemination of official documents to Parties, subject to the availability of funds, and to make arrangements for provision of official documents in all United Nations languages in electronic format.