

B. Secretariat

(Structure)

90. The secretariat established by Article 8 of the Convention shall serve as the secretariat to this Protocol⁶² [subject to the prior approval of such arrangements by the Conference of the Parties.]⁶³

(Functions)

91. Arrangements made for its functioning under Article 8.3 of the Convention shall apply *mutatis mutandis* to the Protocol.

92. The functions of the secretariat shall be:

(a) To compile, synthesize and transmit to the Conference of the Parties reports submitted to it and information communicated to it in accordance with Article 2(e);

(b) To facilitate assistance to the Parties, particularly developing country Parties, on request, in the compilation and communication of information required in accordance with the provisions of the Protocol;

(c) To perform other secretariat functions specified in the Protocol and such other functions as may be determined by the Conference of the Parties.⁶⁴

93. The costs of secretariat services for this Protocol shall be met only by Parties thereto.⁶⁵

C. Subsidiary Bodies

94. The Subsidiary Body for Scientific and Technological Advice and the Subsidiary Body for Implementation of the Convention ("the Subsidiary Bodies") shall serve as the Subsidiary Body for Scientific and Technological Advice and the Subsidiary Body for Implementation of the Protocol [subject to the prior approval of such arrangements by the Conference of the Parties⁶⁶].

95. When the Subsidiary Bodies exercise their functions with regard to matters concerning the Protocol, decisions shall be taken only by those of their members that are, at the same time, Parties to the Protocol.

96. When the Subsidiary Bodies exercise their functions with regard to matters concerning

⁶²Chairman's proposal, based on proposals from AOSIS, Australia, EU, Switzerland and USA

⁶³AOSIS

⁶⁴EU

⁶⁵Australia

⁶⁶AOSIS