

With reference to point 3(c) regarding Analysis and Assessment, the European Union recalls that the early stage of the process, as stated in the Berlin Mandate, will not only include an analysis and assessment but will also include negotiations in parallel. The output of the analysis and assessment has to be taken into account during the process of the negotiations; the European Union would also recall the sixth decision of COP1, on the subsidiary bodies established by the Convention, which states in its paragraph (a) that "The SBSTA will be the link between the scientific, technical and technological assessments and the information provided by competent international bodies, and the policy-oriented needs of the Conference of the Parties".

For these reasons, the European Union suggests that during the process of AGBM work, as soon as possible policies and measures, and possible impacts and results regarding to the time horizons, are identified on the basis of compilations of available material as offered by the Secretariat in the document AGBM/1 paragraph 20. For more specific information, AGBM can ask the SBSTA and any technical advisory panels to provide additional assessment and analysis, as well as SBI to provide material with respect to its review of the national communications, in order for those to be input in further process of negotiations.

With respect to the questions raised under item 18 of document AGBM/1, I have the following comments:

The analysis and assessment of policies and measures serves the purposes of delivering the appropriate information and creating a common picture of what possible policies and measures for Annex I Parties there are and what will be their possible impact. The aspects to be analyzed and assessed, therefore, should be relevant to the eventual application and implementation.

For measures, an array of aspects should be taken into account in any decision concerning application and implementation. As important aspects in this context we consider:

- environmental impacts on climate change/greenhouse gas emissions;
- other environmental impacts;
- technical/technological aspects;