

34. Several delegations stressed the importance of the communication and review of information under an amendment or protocol. Many delegations stated that the multilateral consultative process that is being considered by the Ad Hoc Group on Article 13 should, if established by the COP, be applicable to a protocol. Consideration would need to be given to how the AGBM would ensure that such a process, or a different one, would apply to a protocol.

35. The AGBM looked forward to a continuation of its consideration of these and other issues in light of the secretariat report to be prepared for the Group at its fourth session. The secretariat was further requested to prepare a compilation of proposals relating to possible features of a protocol or another legal instrument tabled to date or received by the secretariat no later than 15 April 1996, for consideration at the fourth session.

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