

Proposal 4

83. The Parties shall hold meetings at regular intervals. The secretariat shall convene the first meeting of the Parties not later than one year after the date of the entry into force of this Protocol and in conjunction with a meeting of the Conference of the Parties to the Convention.

84. Subsequent meetings of the Parties shall be held, unless the Parties decide otherwise, in conjunction with meetings of the Conference of the Parties to the Convention. Extraordinary meetings of the Parties shall be held at such other times as may be deemed necessary by a meeting of the Parties, or at the written request of a Party, provided that within six months of such a request being communicated to them by the secretariat, it is supported by at least one third of the Parties.

85. The Parties, at their first meeting, shall:

(a) Adopt, by consensus, rules of procedure for their meetings;

(b) [other].

86. The functions of the meeting of the Parties shall be to:

(a) Review the implementation of this Protocol, including the information submitted in accordance with Article 3;

(b) Periodically review the adequacy of this Protocol;

(c) [other].

87. The United Nations, its specialized agencies and the International Atomic Energy Agency, as well as any State not party to this Protocol, may be represented at meetings of the Parties as observers. Any body or agency, whether national or international, governmental or non-governmental, qualified in fields relating to climate change which has informed the secretariat of its wish to be represented at a meeting of the Parties as an observer may be admitted unless at least one third of the Parties present object. The admission and participation of observers shall be subject to the rules of procedure adopted by the Parties.⁶⁰

Proposal 5

88. The Conference of the Parties to the Convention, as the supreme body of the Convention, shall undertake regular review of the implementation of the Convention and any related legal instruments that the Conference of the Parties may adopt (Article 7.2).

89. Existing mechanisms in the Convention, including review, assessment and financing shall apply to the commitments adopted in a Protocol or another legal instrument (*modified text of para. 127 included in document FCCC/AGBM/1997/2*).⁶¹

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⁶¹G-77 and China