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Thereafter, and with a view to completing its work as early as possible in 1997 and adopting the results at the third session of the Conference of the Parties, the following steps are likely to be involved:

- Begin considering elements of a protocol/other legal instrument, based on textual proposals submitted by the Parties and circulated by the secretariat prior to the meeting and based on results of analysis/assessment, including recommendations on means to continue to advance the implementation of Article 4.1 commitments
- Continue considering elements of a protocol/other legal instrument, based on a draft single negotiating text prepared by the Secretariat and circulated prior to the meeting
- Adopt a revised (bracketed) single negotiating text
- Remove all but the most contentious brackets from the revised single negotiating text
- Resolve remaining brackets and adopt the final text

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