



**AD HOC WORKING GROUP ON FURTHER COMMITMENTS
FOR ANNEX I PARTIES UNDER THE KYOTO PROTOCOL**

Sixth session

Accra, 21–27 August 2008, and Poznan, 1–10 December 2008

Agenda item 2 (b)

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Agenda and annotations

Note by the Executive Secretary*

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 - (c) Greenhouse gases, sectors and source categories;
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* This document was submitted late owing to the short time between the close of the first part of the sixth session and the opening of the resumed sixth session of the Ad Hoc Working Group on Further Commitments for Annex I Parties under the Kyoto Protocol (AWG-KP).

** This sub-item was considered by the AWG-KP at the first part of its sixth session.

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II. Annotations to the agenda¹

1. Opening of the session

1. The sixth session of the Ad Hoc Working Group on Further Commitments for Annex I Parties under the Kyoto Protocol (AWG-KP) was opened by the Chair on Thursday, 21 August 2008, in Accra, Ghana; at that meeting, the AWG-KP adopted the agenda for its entire sixth session. The Chair will open the resumed sixth session on Monday, 1 December 2008, in Poznan, Poland, at the Poznan International Fair.

2. Organizational matters

(a) Organization of the work of the session

2. *Background:* At its resumed fourth session, the AWG-KP decided to hold the first part of its sixth session in August or September 2008 and to resume this session during the second sessional period in 2008.² The first part of the sixth session of the AWG-KP was held in Accra from 21 to 27 August 2008 in conjunction with the third session of the Ad Hoc Working Group on Long-term Cooperative Action under the Convention (AWG-LCA). The sixth session will be resumed and concluded in Poznan from 1 to 10 December 2008, in conjunction with the fourth session of the Conference of the Parties serving as the meeting of the Parties to the Kyoto Protocol (CMP), the fourteenth session of the Conference of the Parties (COP), the twenty-ninth sessions of the Subsidiary Body for Scientific and Technological Advice (SBSTA) and the Subsidiary Body for Implementation (SBI), and the fourth session of the AWG-LCA.

3. The SBI, at its twenty-fourth session,³ recommended that meetings should normally end by 6 p.m. but may, in exceptional circumstances, continue no later than 9 p.m. The session will be organized taking into account this limitation of time; priority will be given to the most urgent issues. Items that are not concluded at this session will be forwarded to the seventh session of the AWG-KP.

4. The Chair of the AWG-KP will issue a scenario note to share with Parties proposals for the organization of work for the resumed sixth session, including for how limited time at the session could be

¹ Annotations to the agenda for the first part of the sixth session are contained in document FCCC/KP/AWG/2008/4. This document contains annotations for the resumed sixth session only.

² FCCC/KP/AWG/2007/5, paragraph 20.

³ FCCC/SBI/2006/11, paragraph 102.

allocated among the issues to be discussed. This note will also provide information on the in-session workshop on the analysis of mitigation potentials and identification of ranges of emission reduction objectives of Annex I Parties, which has been scheduled for Wednesday, 3 December 2008.

5. Parties are invited to refer to the overview of the session in Poznan, posted on the Convention website,⁴ and to consult the daily programme, published during the session, for a detailed and up-to-date schedule of the work of the AWG-KP.

6. Representatives of Parties and international organizations are requested to keep their oral statements as brief as possible and to give a hard copy to the conference officers in advance to facilitate the work of the interpreters. Those wishing to make a written statement available should bring copies for distribution.

7. *Action:* The AWG-KP will be invited to agree on the approach to the organization of work for the resumed part of the sixth session. It may wish to bear in mind time constraints in Poznan resulting from the scheduling of meetings of other bodies of the Convention and its Kyoto Protocol.

FCCC/KP/AWG/2008/4	<i>Provisional agenda and annotations. Note by the Executive Secretary</i>
FCCC/KP/AWG/2008/6	<i>Agenda and annotations. Note by the Executive Secretary</i>
FCCC/KP/AWG/2008/7	<i>Scenario note on the resumed sixth session. Note by the Chair</i>

(b) Election of officers

8. *Background:* Pursuant to rule 27 of the draft rules of procedure being applied,⁵ a subsidiary body shall elect its Chair from among the representatives of the Parties present at the session, unless the COP decides otherwise. Rule 27 also provides that each subsidiary body shall elect its own Vice-Chair and Rapporteur, and that the officers shall be elected with due regard to the principle of equitable geographical representation and shall not serve more than two consecutive terms of one year. Parties are invited to recall decision 36/CP.7 and to give active consideration to the nomination of women for elective posts in any body established under the Convention or its Kyoto Protocol.

9. At the request of the President of COP 13, consultations on the nominations for officers of bodies under the Convention and its Kyoto Protocol, including of the AWG-KP, were initiated at the twenty-eighth sessions of the SBSTA and the SBI with regional group coordinators. An oral report on these consultations will be provided at COP 14. If necessary, further consultations will be held during the session. The current officers of the AWG-KP will remain in office until their successors are elected.

10. *Action:* Following completion of consultations, the AWG-KP will be invited to elect its Chair, Vice-Chair and Rapporteur for the next one-year term (2009).

3. Analysis of means to reach emission reduction targets and identification of ways to enhance their effectiveness and contribution to sustainable development

11. *Background:* At the first part of its sixth session, the AWG-KP agreed to continue, at its resumed sixth session and, as appropriate, as part of its discussions of its work programme for 2009, its work on the analysis of means that may be available to Annex I Parties to reach their emission reduction targets, including emissions trading and the project-based mechanisms under the Kyoto Protocol, the rules to guide the treatment of land use, land-use change and forestry (LULUCF), the greenhouse gases

⁴ <http://unfccc.int/meetings/cop_14/items/4481.php>.

⁵ FCCC/CP/1996/2.

(GHGs), sectors and source categories to be covered, and possible approaches to targeting sectoral emissions.⁶

12. *Action:* The AWG-KP will be invited to take stock of progress made in the analysis of means that may be available to Annex I Parties to reach their emission reduction targets. It will also be invited to discuss how it can, in accordance with its work programme, take the results of this work into account in 2009 as it considers further commitments by Annex I Parties. It will also be invited to consider the need for further work to support such consideration.

(a) Emissions trading and the project-based mechanisms

13. *Background:* At the first part of its sixth session, the AWG-KP agreed to continue consideration at its resumed sixth session of its deliberations on possible improvements to emissions trading and the project-based mechanisms under the Kyoto Protocol on the basis of, inter alia, the elements contained in annexes I and II of the report⁷ of the AWG-KP on the first part of its sixth session.⁸ It invited Parties to submit to the secretariat, by 17 October 2008, further input on the elements contained in these annexes,⁹ and requested its Chair to elaborate these elements based on these submissions and views previously submitted by Parties.¹⁰

14. *Action:* The AWG-KP will be invited to further consider possible improvements to emissions trading and the project-based mechanisms, and the elaboration by the Chair of elements identified in past sessions and in submissions by Parties. It will also be invited to agree on further work on these matters in the light of its consideration of further commitments by Annex I Parties as referred to in paragraph 12 above.

<i>FCCC/KP/AWG/2008/5</i>	<i>Report of the Ad Hoc Working Group on Further Commitments for Annex I Parties under the Kyoto Protocol on the first part of its sixth session, held in Accra from 21 to 27 August 2008</i>
<i>FCCC/KP/AWG/2008/INF.3</i>	<i>Elaboration of possible improvements to emissions trading and the project-based mechanisms under the Kyoto Protocol. Note by the Chair</i>
<i>FCCC/KP/AWG/2008/MISC.7</i>	<i>Further input in relation to possible improvements to emissions trading and the project-based mechanisms under the Kyoto Protocol. Submissions from Parties</i>

(b) Land use, land-use change and forestry

15. *Background:* At the first part of its sixth session, the AWG-KP decided to continue consideration at its resumed sixth session of possible options for addressing, where applicable, the definitions, modalities, rules and guidelines for the treatment of LULUCF, taking into account the information contained in annex III to the report of the AWG-KP at the first part of its sixth session¹¹ and noting annex IV to the report of the AWG-KP at its resumed fifth session.¹² In order to enhance understanding of the implications of possible options relating to these issues, it invited Parties to submit

⁶ FCCC/KP/AWG/2008/5, paragraph 17.

⁷ FCCC/KP/AWG/2008/5.

⁸ FCCC/KP/AWG/2008/5, paragraph 21.

⁹ FCCC/KP/AWG/2008/5, paragraph 22.

¹⁰ FCCC/KP/AWG/2008/5, paragraph 23.

¹¹ FCCC/KP/AWG/2008/5.

¹² FCCC/KP/AWG/2008/3.

relevant information to the secretariat on a voluntary and informal basis and requested the secretariat to make the information available on the Convention website by 20 November 2008.¹³

16. *Action:* The AWG-KP will be invited to consider possible options for addressing, where applicable, the definitions, modalities, rules and guidelines for the treatment of LULUCF identified in annex III of the report of the AWG-KP at the first part of its sixth session and to agree on further work on these matters in the light of its consideration of further commitments by Annex I Parties as referred to in paragraph 12 above.

FCCC/KP/AWG/2008/5	<i>Report of the Ad Hoc Working Group on Further Commitments for Annex I Parties under the Kyoto Protocol on the first part of its sixth session, held in Accra from 21 to 27 August 2008</i>
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(c) Greenhouse gases, sectors and source categories

17. *Background:* At the first part of its sixth session, the AWG-KP decided to further consider, at its resumed sixth session, inter alia, the scientific, technical, methodological and legal aspects of possible inclusion in the second commitment period of gases listed in paragraph 34 of document FCCC/KP/AWG/2008/5.¹⁴ It requested the secretariat to prepare a compilation of technical information on these gases and to make it available on the Convention website for consideration by the AWG-KP at its resumed sixth session.¹⁵

18. *Action:* The AWG-KP will be invited to further consider GHGs, sectors and source categories, in particular the various aspects of inclusion of new gases in the second commitment period of the Protocol. It will also be invited to agree on further work on these matters in the light of its consideration of further commitments by Annex I Parties as referred to in paragraph 12 above.

(d) Possible approaches targeting sectoral emissions

19. *Background:* At the first part of its sixth session, the AWG agreed to continue, at its resumed sixth session and, as appropriate, as part of its discussions of its work programme for 2009, its work on the analysis of means that may be available to Annex I Parties to reach their emission reduction targets, including, inter alia, possible approaches targeting sectoral emissions.¹⁶

20. *Action:* The AWG-KP will be invited to consider possible approaches targeting sectoral emissions, and agree on further work on these matters in the light of its consideration of further commitments by Annex I Parties as referred to in paragraph 12 above.

4. Consideration of relevant methodological issues

21. *Background:* At the first part of its sixth session, the AWG-KP agreed to further consider, at its resumed sixth session, global warming potentials and alternative common metrics to calculate the carbon dioxide equivalence of anthropogenic emissions by sources and removals by sinks of GHGs listed in Annex A to the Kyoto Protocol, as well as the implications of their application in the second commitment period.¹⁷ It invited the Intergovernmental Panel on Climate Change (IPCC) to undertake further technical

¹³ <http://unfccc.int/kyoto_protocol/items/3878.php>.

¹⁴ FCCC/KP/AWG/2008/5, paragraph 35.

¹⁵ <http://unfccc.int/kyoto_protocol/items/3878.php>.

¹⁶ FCCC/KP/AWG/2008/5, paragraph 17.

¹⁷ FCCC/KP/AWG/2008/5, paragraph 46.

assessment of these metrics and noted the need for work to be carried out by the SBSTA, drawing on the results of the work of the IPCC.¹⁸

22. *Action:* The AWG-KP will be invited to take stock of progress in the consideration of relevant methodological issues. It will also be invited to discuss how it can, in accordance with its work programme, take the results of this work into account in 2009 as it considers further commitments by Annex I Parties. It will also be invited to consider the need for further work to support such consideration.

5. Consideration of information on potential environmental, economic and social consequences, including spillover effects, of tools, policies, measures and methodologies available to Annex I Parties

23. *Background:* At its resumed fourth session, the AWG-KP agreed to adopt, at its resumed sixth session, conclusions on its consideration of information on the potential environmental, economic and social consequences, including spillover effects on all Parties, in particular developing country Parties, of tools, policies, measures and methodologies available to Annex I Parties.¹⁹

24. At the first part of its sixth session, the AWG-KP agreed to continue its consideration of this matter at its resumed sixth session²⁰ and invited Parties and relevant organizations to submit to the secretariat, by 3 October 2008, further relevant information for consideration by the AWG-KP at its resumed sixth session.²¹

25. *Action:* The AWG-KP will be invited to adopt conclusions on the potential environmental, economic and social consequences, including spillover effects, of tools, policies, measures and methodologies available to Annex I Parties. It may also wish to consider the need for further work, noting that a workshop on these matters is planned for 2009.

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Further information on the potential environmental, economic and social consequences, including spillover effects, of tools, policies, measures and methodologies available to Annex I Parties. Submissions from Parties

6. Analysis of mitigation potentials and identification of ranges of emission reduction objectives of Annex I Parties

26. *Background:* At its resumed fourth session, the AWG-KP agreed²² to revert to, and adopt conclusions on, the tasks set out in paragraph 17 (a) (i) and (ii) of its work programme.²³ It invited Annex I Parties to submit to the secretariat, by 5 September 2008, additional and updated available

¹⁸ FCCC/KP/AWG/2008/5, paragraph 45.

¹⁹ FCCC/KP/AWG/2007/5, paragraph 21 (c) (i).

²⁰ FCCC/KP/AWG/2008/5, paragraph 53.

²¹ FCCC/KP/AWG/2008/5, paragraph 51. These submissions are contained in document FCCC/KP/AWG/2008/MISC.5.

²² FCCC/KP/AWG/2007/4, paragraph 21 (c) (ii).

²³ FCCC/KP/AWG/2006/4. Paragraph 17 (a) (i) concerns the analysis of the mitigation potential, effectiveness, efficiency, costs and benefits of current and future policies, measures and technologies at the disposal of Annex I Parties, appropriate in different national circumstances, taking into account their environmental, economic and social consequences, their sectoral dimensions, and the international context in which they are deployed. Paragraph 17 (a) (ii) concerns the identification of possible ranges of emission reductions by Annex I Parties, through their domestic and international efforts, and analysis of their contribution to the ultimate objective of the Convention, ensuring due attention to the issues mentioned in the second sentence of Article 2 of the Convention.

information and data related to these tasks²⁴ and requested the secretariat, under the guidance of the Chair of the AWG-KP, to update the technical paper on information relevant to the mitigation potential and to the identification of possible ranges of emission reduction objectives of Annex I Parties (FCCC/TP/2007/1).²⁵

27. Also at its resumed fourth session, the AWG-KP requested the secretariat to organize an in-session workshop on the tasks referred to in paragraph 26 above and to facilitate the participation of relevant experts and organizations in this workshop.²⁶ It invited Parties to submit their views on the topics to be covered and the experts/organizations to be invited to participate in this workshop.²⁷

28. The in-session workshop has been scheduled for Wednesday, 3 December 2008. Its objective will be to discuss available and updated information relating to mitigation potentials and ranges of emission reduction objectives of Annex I Parties and their role in the consideration of further commitments for these Parties. The workshop will provide an opportunity for Parties to share views on these matters and to interact with experts.

29. *Action:* The AWG-KP will be invited to revert to, and adopt conclusions on, the tasks set out in paragraph 17 (a) (i) and (ii) of its work programme. The AWG-KP may wish to consider the results of its work on these matters and to discuss how it can, in accordance with its work programme, take the results of this work into account in 2009 as it considers further commitments by Annex I Parties. It will also be invited to consider further work required to support such consideration.

<i>FCCC/TP/2008/10</i>	<i>Synthesis of information relevant to the determination of the mitigation potential and to the identification of possible ranges of emission reduction objectives of Annex I Parties: an update. Technical paper</i>
<i>FCCC/KP/AWG/2008/MISC.4</i>	<i>Information and data related to paragraph 17 (a) (i) and (ii) of document FCCC/KP/AWG/2006/4 and to the scale of emission reductions by Annex I Parties, and views on the organization of an in-session workshop on these issues. Submissions from Parties</i>

7. Consideration of further commitments by Annex I Parties

30. *Background:* At its resumed fourth session, the AWG-KP agreed to initiate, at its resumed sixth session, the consideration of the scale of emission reductions to be achieved by Annex I Parties in aggregate.²⁸ It invited Annex I Parties to submit to the secretariat, by 5 September 2008, their views on these matters.²⁹

31. *Action:* The AWG-KP will be invited to initiate work on the consideration of the scale of emission reductions to be achieved by Annex I Parties in aggregate. It may wish to consider how the results of its work under relevant agenda items can, in accordance with its conclusions adopted at its second session, be taken into account in 2009 as it considers further commitments by Annex I Parties. It will also be invited to agree on further work for 2009.

²⁴ FCCC/KP/AWG/2007/5, paragraph 21 (d) (i). The submissions are included in document FCCC/KP/AWG/2008/MISC.4.

²⁵ FCCC/KP/AWG/2007/5, paragraph 21 (d) (iii). The updated version of this document is contained in document FCCC/TP/2008/10.

²⁶ FCCC/KP/AWG/2007/5, paragraph 21 (d) (iv).

²⁷ See footnote 24.

²⁸ FCCC/KP/AWG/2007/5, paragraph 21 (c) (iv).

²⁹ See footnote 24.

FCCC/KP/AWG/2008/MISC.4	<i>Information and data related to paragraph 17 (a) (i) and (ii) of document FCCC/KP/AWG/2006/4 and to the scale of emission reductions by Annex I Parties, and views on the organization of an in-session workshop on these issues. Submissions from Parties</i>
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8. Work programme for 2009

32. *Background:* At its resumed fourth session, the AWG-KP agreed that its tasks for 2009 will be, inter alia, to forward to the CMP at its fifth session the results of its work on the consideration of commitments for subsequent periods for Annex I Parties under Article 3, paragraph 9, of the Kyoto Protocol, for consideration by the CMP, with a view to their adoption.³⁰

33. Also at its resumed fourth session, the AWG-KP agreed to consider its work programme and decide on activities to be undertaken during 2009.³¹ It invited Parties to submit to the secretariat, by 3 October 2008, their views on such activities.³²

34. *Action:* The AWG-KP will be invited to agree on activities to be undertaken during 2009, bearing in mind its agreement to forward to the CMP at its fifth session the results of its work. The AWG-KP may wish to note that, in accordance with Article 20, paragraph 2, of the Kyoto Protocol, amendments to the Protocol shall be adopted at an ordinary session of the CMP and shall be communicated to the Parties by the secretariat at least six months before the meeting at which they are proposed for adoption. If the CMP is to adopt amendments at its fifth session, these amendments shall be communicated to Parties by 1 June 2009.

FCCC/KP/AWG/2008/MISC.6	<i>Views on further activities to be undertaken during 2009, in accordance with the work programme of the Ad Hoc Working Group on Further Commitments for Annex I Parties under the Kyoto Protocol. Submissions from Parties</i>
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9. Other matters

35. Any other matters arising during the session will be taken up under this item.

10. Report on the session

36. *Background:* The Rapporteur, under the guidance of the Chair and with the assistance of the secretariat, prepared a report on the first part of the sixth session.³³

37. A draft report on the work of the resumed sixth session will be prepared for adoption by the AWG-KP at the end of the session.

38. *Action:* The AWG-KP will be invited to adopt the draft report and authorize the Rapporteur to complete the report, under the guidance of the Chair and with the assistance of the secretariat.

³⁰ FCCC/KP/AWG/2007/5, paragraph 22 (c).

³¹ FCCC/KP/AWG/2007/5, paragraph 21 (c) (iii).

³² FCCC/KP/AWG/2007/5, paragraph 21 (d) (ii). These submissions are contained in document FCCC/KP/AWG/2008/MISC.6.

³³ FCCC/KP/AWG/2008/5.

Annex**Documents before the Ad Hoc Working Group on Further Commitments for Annex I Parties under the Kyoto Protocol at its resumed sixth session**

FCCC/KP/AWG/2008/4	Provisional agenda and annotations. Note by the Executive Secretary
FCCC/KP/AWG/2008/5	Report of the Ad Hoc Working Group on Further Commitments for Annex I Parties under the Kyoto Protocol on the first part of its sixth session, held in Accra from 21 to 27 August 2008
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FCCC/KP/AWG/2008/INF.3	Elaboration of possible improvements to emissions trading and the project-based mechanisms under the Kyoto Protocol. Note by the Chair
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FCCC/KP/AWG/2008/MISC.5	Further information on the potential environmental, economic and social consequences, including spillover effects, of tools, policies, measures and methodologies available to Annex I Parties. Submissions from Parties
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FCCC/TP/2008/10	Synthesis of information relevant to the determination of the mitigation potential and to the identification of possible ranges of emission reduction objectives of Annex I Parties: an update. Technical paper
