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CMP 1

Much negotiating energy over the past few days has been devoted to the vital issue of establishing deeper second commitment period emissions reduction obligations for Annex 1 parties, triggered by Article 3.9 of the Kyoto Protocol. But this is only one of several important building blocks of a credible post-2012 package. This next phase of the Protocol must produce the actions needed to significantly reduce the health, environmental, economic and security risks posed by climate change. It must also advance the goals of sustainable economic development and poverty reduction.

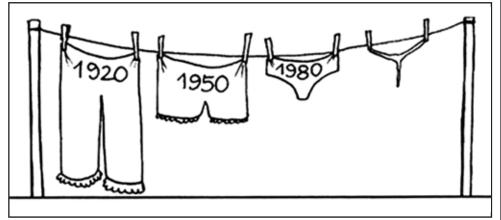
Developing countries have a vested interest in rapid progress under the Protocol, as climate change is compounding the challenges they already face, including food and water security, disease, poverty and environmental degradation. They also have a strong interest in the contribution and expansion of the CDM, whose fate is tied to that of the Kyoto Protocol.

In the major decision to be adopted by

Protocol Parties at the conclusion of these negotiations, a robust process should be launched to address a range of issues, including:

- developing deeper emissions reduction commitments for the second commitment period for Annex 1 Parties;
- preparing for the review of the Protocol required at COP/MOP 2 by Article 9.2 of the Protocol:
- significantly scaling up the Clean Development Mechanism for the post-2012 period; ensuring it contributes to sustainable development goals and improves the geographical distribution of its benefits;
- developing a large scale, reliable source of funding for developing country adaptation costs linked to the operation of the flexible mechanisms;
- providing incentives to stimulate adoption of sustainable development policies and measures; and

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Clear evidence of global warming

Draft Decision on Article 3.9

ECO has reviewed with great interest the constructive submissions from the G-77 & China, the European Union and Japan on Article 3.9. In the spirit of transparency and innovation which characterises this Montreal conference, we humbly offer our own suggested text, which combines elements from each of these submissions together with some ideas of our own. ECO requests that this submission be given the same status as that of any other non-Party to the Kyoto Protocol.

Draft Decision on Article 3.9 of the Kyoto Protocol

The Conference of the Parties serving as the Meeting of the Parties at its first session;

In pursuit of the ultimate objective of the Convention as stated in its Article 2;

Recalling the provisions of the Convention and its Kyoto Protocol;

Being guided by Article 3 of the Convention;

Noting that the Annex 1 countries that are Parties to the Kyoto Protocol are firmly committed to their emissions limitation and reduction commitments and are making strong efforts to that end;

Recalling Article 3, paragraph 2, of the Protocol that each Party included in Annex 1 shall, by 2005, have made demonstrable progress in achieving its commitments under the Protocol;

Acknowledging that Parties need to do more to meet the ultimate objective of the Convention as stated in its Article 2 and Recognising that developed country Parties

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- developing more effective goals and strategies for technology transfer.

This process should be conducted by an Ad-Hoc Working Group that holds two or more sessions per year, reports directly to the COP/MOP and concludes its work no later than COP/MOP4 at the end of 2008. Parties should be invited to make submissions by March 31, 2006 on their initial views on each of the issues to be considered, so that the Secretariat can compile the submissions in time to inform the work of the Ad Hoc Working Group at its first session.

Launching such a process at this Montreal climate conference will underscore the vitality

of the Kyoto Protocol. By demonstrating the clear intention of Annex 1 Parties to continue and deepen their emissions reduction obligations, it will send strong signals to the developing carbon market.

It will show that the vast majority of the countries of the world are determined to address the global challenge of climate change, while simultaneously advancing sustainable development goals.

Finally, it will contribute to growing political momentum in the US for reengagement in the international climate regime – though most likely, not until the short-sighted, irresponsible current occupant of the White House leaves office in January, 2009.

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 should continue to take the lead in combating climate change and its adverse effects;

Emphasising that global efforts are needed to meet the ultimate objective of the Convention and in that context *Recalling* the commitments of all Parties under Article 10 of the Kyoto Protocol and Article 4.1 of the Convention;

Recognising the important actions already undertaken by developing countries in line with their commitments under Article 4.1 of the Convention;

Noting the increasing use of the Clean Development Mechanism and Stressing the importance of making market-based mechanisms a means to support sustainable development and for cost-effective reductions beyond 2012 in a global framework;

Recognising that greater efforts and the development of more innovative and effective instruments are necessary to support technology transfer;

Underscoring the need for Annex 1 countries to demonstrate their intention to continue and deepen emissions reduction obligations in the next commitment period in order to send strong signals and reinforce the developing carbon market;

Fully convinced of the need for all Parties to cooperate in good faith to fully implement the provisions of the Protocol;

Reaffirming that no absolute emissions reduction commitments shall be introduced under the Protocol for developing countries but that emissions limitation contributions from all Parties in accordance with their common but differentiated responsibilities and respective capabilities are essential to achieving the ultimate objective of the Convention.

1. DECIDES to initiate the consideration of

- commitments for Parties included in Annex 1 to the Convention in accordance with Article 3.9 of the Kyoto Protocol;
- 2. DECIDES further that the process should begin without delay and be conducted in an open-ended Ad-Hoc Working Group of Parties to the Protocol hereby established, which will have at least two sessions per year and report to the second and third sessions of the Conference of the Parties serving as the Meeting of the Parties to the Protocol on the status of this process. The sessions of this group should be scheduled to ensure completion of the work as early as possible in 2008 with a view to adopting the results at the fourth session of the Conference of the Parties serving as the Meeting of the Parties to the Protocol.
- 3. *INVITES* Parties to make submissions on issues to be considered in addressing Article 3.9 of the Kyoto Protocol and requests the Secretariat to compile the information to inform further consideration at SB 24.
- 4. FURTHER REQUESTS the Secretariat to produce a synthesis report of the reviews underway including inventories, demonstrable progress and national communications.

NGO Party Tonight

One of most eagerly awaited events at every COP, the NGO party, will be held today at Club Soda, 1225 boul. St-Laurent. Open to all registered COP participants, the party will commence at 21:00. Your badge will serve as your entry ticket! If you have not received a map to the venue, you can collect one at the Climate Action Network booth at Room 210, Exhibit B8, next to the Document Counter. So get ready to put on your dancing shoes.

Global Climate Change Regime

Climate Action Network (CAN) International is hosting a side event today on **The Past**, **Present and Future of the Global Climate Change Regime**. It will be held at the Kazan River room from 15:30 to 17:30. Five speakers will explore the current state of the international regime on climate change and report on implementation in key regions of the world. They will also present a proposal for a viable future framework to prevent dangerous climate change. The schedule is as follows:

- Preventing dangerous climate change by Lars Freiberg, CAN-Europe;
- Future framework paper of CAN by Richard Worthington, South Africa-CAN;
- Options for decarbonisation by Rob Bradley, World Resource Institute;
- Adaptation track by Nasimul Haque, Sustainable Development Resource Centre;
- What About the US by Gary Cook, CAN-US.

"Fossil of the Day" Award

Japan, which received its first fossil on Thursday, followed through by winning the first-place fossil award yesterday for a proposal in the LULUCF (sinks)* contact group. It proposed a minimum standard by which all countries would automatically comply. Host nation Canada came in second place for supporting Japan.

The third fossil of the day went to the US for opposing, during the SBSTA discussion on the Five-year Work Programme for Adaptation, the recognition of the Mauritius strategy.

Public Rally for the Climate



The Global March for Our Climate rally with the theme Time is Running Out will start at 12:00 today. COP11 participants can join the rally at Dorchester Square (Peel and Rene-Levesque) or at the exit of Papineau metro station.

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