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SUBSTANCES THAT DEplete  
THE OZONE LAYER  
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RELATIONSHIP BETWEEN EFFORTS TO PROTECT THE STRATOSPHERIC OZONE LAYER  
AND EFFORTS TO SAFEGUARD THE GLOBAL CLIMATE SYSTEM: ISSUES RELATED  
TO HYDROFLUOROCARBONS AND PERFLUOROCARBONS

Recommendation of the Subsidiary Body for Scientific and Technological Advice to the  
Conference of the Parties to the United Nations Framework Convention on  
Climate Change at its fourth session

Note by the Secretariat

The Secretariat is hereby circulating the annexed recommendation of the Subsidiary Body for Scientific and Technological Advice to the Conference of the Parties to the United Nations Framework Convention on Climate Change at its fourth session concerning the relationship between efforts to protect the stratospheric ozone layer and efforts to safeguard the global climate system: issues related to hydrofluorocarbons and perfluorocarbons. The recommendation was subsequently adopted by the Conference of the Parties without amendment.

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CONFERENCE OF THE PARTIES  
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Agenda item 3(a)

**REPORTS OF SUBSIDIARY BODIES**

**REPORT OF THE SUBSIDIARY BODY FOR SCIENTIFIC AND  
TECHNOLOGICAL ADVICE**

**Recommendation of the Subsidiary Body for Scientific and Technological Advice**

At its ninth session, the Subsidiary Body for Scientific and Technological Advice decided to recommend the following draft decision for adoption by the Conference of the Parties at its fourth session.

**Relationship between efforts to protect the stratospheric ozone layer and  
efforts to safeguard the global climate system: issues related to  
hydrofluorocarbons and perfluorocarbons**

*The Conference of the Parties,*

*Noting* the need to implement multilateral environmental agreements in a coherent way for the benefit of the global environment,

*Recalling* that the ultimate objective of the United Nations Framework Convention on Climate Change is to achieve stabilization of greenhouse gas concentrations in the atmosphere at a level that would prevent dangerous anthropogenic interference with the climate system,

*Noting* the ongoing efforts to phase out ozone depleting substances under the Montreal Protocol on Substances that Deplete the Ozone Layer, and that hydrofluorocarbons and perfluorocarbons are among the substances which are being used as replacements for ozone depleting substances,

*Noting* further that hydrofluorocarbons and perfluorocarbons have high global warming potentials and are listed in Annex A to the Kyoto Protocol to the United Nations Framework Convention on Climate Change for achieving quantified emission limitation and reduction commitments of aggregated anthropogenic carbon dioxide equivalent emissions of greenhouse gases by Annex I Parties,

*Considering* that the Intergovernmental Panel on Climate Change is seeking to provide further scientific and technical information on present and future sources and levels of emissions of hydrofluorocarbons and perfluorocarbons, and options to mitigate those emissions,

*Noting* that the Subsidiary Body for Scientific and Technological Advice with the assistance of the secretariat, is continuing its work on methodologies used by Parties for establishing estimates of emissions of hydrofluorocarbons and perfluorocarbons,

*Noting* further the need to consider available and potential ways and means of limiting emissions of hydrofluorocarbons and perfluorocarbons in the context of the Kyoto Protocol,

1. *Invites* Parties, the relevant bodies of the Montreal Protocol, the Intergovernmental Panel on Climate Change, intergovernmental organizations and non-governmental organizations to provide information on available and potential ways and means of limiting emissions of hydrofluorocarbons and perfluorocarbons, including their use as replacements for ozone depleting substances, to the secretariat by 15 July 1999;
2. *Encourages* the convening of a workshop by the Intergovernmental Panel on Climate Change and the Technology and Economic Assessment Panel of the Montreal Protocol in 1999 which will assist the Subsidiary Body for Scientific and Technological Advice to establish information on available and potential ways and means of limiting emissions of hydrofluorocarbons and perfluorocarbons, and *invites* the Intergovernmental Panel on Climate Change to report on the results of such a joint workshop to the Subsidiary Body for Scientific and Technological Advice at its eleventh session, if possible;
3. *Requests* the secretariat to compile the information provided, including, if available, the conclusions of the workshop, for consideration by the Subsidiary Body for Scientific and Technological Advice at its eleventh session;
4. *Requests* the Subsidiary Body for Scientific and Technological Advice to report on this information at the fifth session of the Conference of the Parties, and to seek further guidance from the Conference of the Parties on this matter at that session.