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**INFORMAL EXPERT MEETING ON THE IMPACTS OF
CLIMATE-RELATED GEO-ENGINEERING ON
BIOLOGICAL DIVERSITY**

Newport Pagnell, United Kingdom of Great Britain and
Northern Ireland, 5-7 January 2012

ANNOTATIONS TO THE PROVISIONAL AGENDA**INTRODUCTION**

1. The Conference of the Parties to the Convention on Biological Diversity, in paragraph 9 (l) of decision X/33, requests the Executive Secretary to “compile and synthesize available scientific information, and views and experiences of indigenous and local communities and other stakeholders, on the possible impacts of geo-engineering techniques on biodiversity and associated social, economic and cultural considerations, and options on definitions and understandings of climate-related geo-engineering relevant to the Convention on Biological Diversity”.
2. Accordingly, the Executive Secretary, with the generous financial contribution from the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland, convened a Liaison Group Meeting on Climate-Related Geo-engineering as it relates to the Convention on Biological Diversity, in London, from 29 June – 1 July, 2011.¹
3. A draft study² was prepared and made available for technical and stakeholder peer review from 11 November to 9 December 2011.
4. Thanks to the generous financial support from the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland, the Informal Expert Meeting on the Impacts of Climate-related Geo-engineering on Biological Diversity is being convened with the task to assist the Secretariat of the Convention on Biological Diversity in preparing the second draft of the study and filling the gaps in the study, for general peer review, including by the Convention on Biological Diversity focal points.
5. The final version of the study will be prepared for consideration by the sixteenth meeting of the Subsidiary Body on Scientific, Technical and Technological Advice (SBSTTA 16).

ITEM 1. OPENING OF THE MEETING AND ORGANIZATION OF WORK

6. The meeting will be opened at 8.30 am on Thursday, 5 January 2012. The Chair and a representative of the Secretariat of the Convention on Biological Diversity will welcome the participants and make opening statements.
7. After a brief self-introduction by the participants, the meeting will be invited to consider the provisional agenda prepared by the Executive Secretary (UNEP/CBD/LGCRG/ENG/2/1), adopt it

¹ <http://www.cbd.int/doc/?meeting=4851>.

² <http://www.cbd.int/climate/geoengineering/>.

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following any amendments, if needed, and consider the proposed organization of work for the meeting as contained in annex I below.

8. The representative of the Secretariat will provide an introduction to the draft study and comments received during the peer review process. An overview of the complementary draft study on the regulatory framework of climate-related geo-engineering relevant to the Convention on Biological Diversity will also be provided.

ITEM 2. ADDRESSING THE GAPS IN THE DRAFT STUDY

9. Under this item, the meeting will review and work to address the gaps in the study, including:

- (a) Context and analytical framework;
- (b) Social, economic and cultural considerations;
- (c) Views and experiences of indigenous and local communities and stakeholders; and
- (d) Remaining technical gaps.

10. On the second day of the meeting, the group will develop text to address the identified gaps.

ITEM 3. REVIEW AND DISCUSSION ON THE DRAFT KEY MESSAGES

11. Under this item, the meeting will review the key messages included in the draft study and will develop additional key messages if necessary.

ITEM 4. OTHER MATTERS

12. Any other matters will be considered under this agenda item.

ITEM 5. CLOSURE OF THE MEETING

13. The workshop is expected to be closed at 4 p.m. on Saturday, 7 January 2012.

Annex I

PROPOSED ORGANIZATION OF WORK

Thursday, 5 January 2012	
8.30 a.m. - 10 a.m.	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Opening of the meeting and organization of work <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1.1. Welcome by the Chair, Host and Secretariat and self-introduction of participants 1.2. Adoption of the agenda 1.3. Introduction to the draft study and comments received during the peer review process and overview of the complementary draft study on the regulatory framework of climate-related geo-engineering relevant to the Convention on Biological Diversity
10 a.m. - 10.30 a.m.	Tea break
10.30 a.m. - 12.30 p.m.	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 2. Addressing the gaps in the draft study <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 2.1. Context and analytical framework 2.2. Social, economic and cultural considerations 2.3. Views and experiences of indigenous and local communities and stakeholders 2.4. Remaining technical gaps
12.30 p.m. - 1.30 p.m.	Lunch
1.30 p.m. - 3.30 p.m.	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 2. (<i>continued as necessary</i>) 3. Review and discussion on the draft key messages
3.30 p.m. - 4 p.m.	Tea break
4 p.m. - 6 p.m.	3. (<i>continued</i>)
7 p.m.	Dinner
Friday, 6 January 2012	
8.30 a.m. - 10 a.m.	Development of text to address the gaps (item 2)
10 a.m. - 10.30 a.m.	Tea break
10.30 a.m. - 12.30 p.m.	Development of text to address the gaps (item 2) (<i>continued</i>)
12.30 p.m. - 1.30 p.m.	Lunch
1.30 p.m. - 3.30 p.m.	Development of text to address the gaps (item 2) (<i>continued</i>)

3.30 p.m. - 4 p.m.	Tea break
4 p.m. - 6 p.m.	Development of text to address the gaps (item 2) (<i>continued</i>)
7 p.m.	Dinner
Saturday, 7 January 2012	
8.30 a.m. - 10 a.m.	Revision of key messages (item 3)
10 a.m. - 10.30 a.m.	Tea break
10.30 a.m. - 12.30 p.m.	Revision of key messages (item 3) (<i>continued</i>)
12.30 p.m. - 1.30 p.m.	Lunch
1.30 p.m. - 4 p.m.	4. Other matters 5. Closure of the meeting
