V. Methodological issues under the Convention (Agenda item 5)

B. Common reporting format for land use, land-use change and forestry (Agenda item 5 (b))

40. The SBSTA considered the views from Parties on the tables of the common reporting format for land use, land-use change and forestry (LULUCF) in accordance with decision 13/CP.9, and on experience with their use (FCCC/SBSTA/2005/MISC.7 and Add.1) and the synthesis of these views (FCCC/SBSTA/2005/7).

41. The SBSTA agreed to recommend a draft decision on this matter (FCCC/SBSTA/2005/L.19/Add.1) for adoption by the COP at its eleventh session.¹⁵

42. The SBSTA agreed to consider, at its twenty-fourth session (May 2006), concurrent with its consideration of the 2006 IPCC Guidelines for National Greenhouse Gas Inventories, how emissions and removals, currently covered in the LULUCF and Agriculture sectors, will be presented in the national totals; inventory issues associated with biomass burning and natural disturbances as they relate to reporting under the Convention; and the implications on reporting of the conversion to carbon dioxide in the atmosphere of methane, carbon monoxide and non-methane volatile organic compounds emitted in association with carbon stock changes.

43. The SBSTA requested the secretariat, in communicating estimates of Parties' total national emissions and removals, to state clearly that presentations of national totals without emissions and removals from the LULUCF sector exclude emissions and removals associated with carbon stock changes and other emission sources covered in the LULUCF sector.

¹⁵ For the text as adopted, see document FCCC/CP/2005/4/Add.2, decision 14/CP.11.