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**SUBSIDIARY BODY FOR IMPLEMENTATION**

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**Agenda item 6 (b)**

**Implementation of Article 4, paragraphs 8 and 9, of the Convention**

**Matters relating to the least developed countries**

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**Draft conclusions proposed by the Chair**

1. The Subsidiary Body for Implementation (SBI) took note of the oral report by the Chair of the Least Developed Countries Expert Group (LEG), and welcomed the report on the fourteenth meeting of the LEG,<sup>1</sup> held in Addis Ababa, Ethiopia, from 29 September to 1 October 2008.
2. The SBI expressed its appreciation to the LEG for the activities it has carried out as part of its 2008–2010 work programme in support of the preparation and implementation of national adaptation programmes of action (NAPAs).
3. The SBI thanked the Government of Ethiopia for hosting the meeting and expressed its gratitude to the Governments of Denmark, Ireland, Norway and Romania for providing financial resources in support of the work of the LEG.
4. The SBI noted that, as at 10 December 2008, 39 NAPAs had been submitted to the secretariat, and nine least developed country (LDC) Parties have yet to submit their NAPAs.<sup>2</sup> The SBI further noted that, to date, only one project is under implementation, and that as at 21 October 2008, 18 others had been approved for project development.<sup>3</sup>
5. The SBI invited the LEG to assess, in collaboration with the Global Environment Facility (GEF) and its agencies, the support needed to implement NAPA projects.
6. The SBI noted the ongoing development of the Quick Guide to the Least Developed Countries Fund (LDCF) by the GEF and of the step-by-step guide for NAPA implementation by the LEG as part of its work programme for 2008–2010. It encouraged the LEG to provide, based on these guides, technical support and training in development of NAPA projects for implementation, as mentioned in its work

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<sup>1</sup> FCCC/SBI/2008/14.

<sup>2</sup> <[http://unfccc.int/national\\_reports/napa/items/2719.php](http://unfccc.int/national_reports/napa/items/2719.php)>.

<sup>3</sup> <[http://www.gefweb.org/interior\\_right.aspx?id=23018](http://www.gefweb.org/interior_right.aspx?id=23018)>.

programme, as soon as possible, subject to the availability of resources and in collaboration with the GEF and its agencies.

7. The SBI invited the LEG to provide recommendations on how LDC Parties can update priorities in their NAPAs as part of the step-by-step guide for NAPA implementation, and to include information on this work in its report to the SBI at its thirty-first session.

8. The SBI encouraged the LEG to engage a wide range of organizations to support the implementation of its work programme, NAPAs and other elements of the least developed country work programme.

9. The SBI requested the LEG to report at the thirtieth session of the SBI on progress made in the implementation of its work programme.

10. The SBI invited Parties in a position to do so to continue supporting the work of the LEG and providing resources in support of its work programme.

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