REPORT OF THE TWELFTH MEETING OF THE AFFORESTATION AND REFORESTATION WORKING GROUP

UNFCCC Headquarters, Bonn, Germany 29 - 31 January 2007

RECOMMENDATIONS BY THE A/R WORKING GROUP TO THE EXECUTIVE BOARD

A. Opening of the meeting and adoption of the agenda

1. The Chair of the Afforestation and Reforestation Working Group (A/R WG), Mr. Philip Gwage, opened the meeting.

2. The agenda was adopted as proposed.

B. Consideration of proposed new methodologies

3. The A/R WG considered the proposed new A/R methodologies for the cases mentioned in the table below and desk reviews, as well as public inputs received, where applicable. The final recommendations, proposed by the A/R WG for the consideration by the Executive Board at its twenty-ninth meeting, are made available on the UNFCCC CDM website: <<u>http://cdm.unfccc.int/goto/ARpropmeth</u>>.

4. In accordance with the procedures for submission and consideration of a proposed new methodology, project participants may submit, via the DOE, technical clarifications to preliminary recommendations. Preliminary recommendations for which project participants have not provided any clarifications within the four (4) week consultation period shall be considered as final recommendations and will be forwarded to the Executive Board and made available on the UNFCCC CDM website.

5. The A/R WG agreed on the following recommendations:

Cases	A/R WG 12 Recommendation ¹
ARNM0012-rev : "Afforestation or Reforestation Project Activity Implemented on Unmanaged Grassland"	С
ARNM0020-rev : "Afforestation for Combating Desertification in Aohan County, Northern China" as contained in annex 1	Α
ARNM0021-rev: "Chocó-Manabí Corridor Reforestation and Conservation Carbon Project" as contained in annex 2	А

¹ Recommendations to the methodologies: A (recommended for approval), B (recommended for revision) and C (recommended for non-approval), are final recommendations to the Board.

C. Initation of work in regard to the development of SSC AR methodologies

6. The A/R WG considered the request by COP/MOP to develop the SSC A/R methodologies for project activities that convert wetlands and settlements into forest. The A/R WG agreed to request the Board to launch a call for public input to seek views on developing the SSC A/R methodologies for project activities that convert wetlands and settlements into forest.

D. <u>Schedule of meetings</u>

7. The A/R WG agreed to hold its thirteenth meeting from 19 to 21 March 2007.

8. The deadline for the thirteenth round of submissions of proposed new methodologies is 05 March 2007. The A/R WG reminded project proponents that baseline and monitoring methodologies can be submitted at any time. The above deadline reflects the date by which if a proposed new methodologies is submitted it shall be considered at the fourteenth meeting of the A/R WG (4 - 6 June 2007).