

Decision 31/COP.7Date and venue of the eighth session of the Conference of the Parties

The Conference of the Parties,

Recalling article 22, paragraph 4 of the Convention,

Recalling also its decision 1/COP.2 on ordinary sessions of the Conference of the Parties,

Further recalling the United Nations General Assembly resolution 40/243 of 18 December 1985,

1. *Accepts* with gratitude the generous offer of the Government of Spain to host the eighth session of the COP;
2. *Decides* that the eighth session of the COP shall be held in Spain in autumn 2007;
3. *Requests* the Executive Secretary to consult with the Government of Spain with a view to entering into satisfactory arrangements for that Government to host the eighth session of the COP in Spain and to meet the related costs.

*13th plenary meeting
28 October 2005*