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BIAC Position on the Kyoto Basket of Greenhouse Gases

*BIAC brings to the attention of the Parties that under the Kyoto Protocol the management of emissions was framed by a basket containing six greenhouse gases (GHG). As such, international guidance should remain focused upon GHG management of the basket holistically. It is recognized that each national situation is different, each Party having different starting points. Guidance therefore, must be sufficiently flexible at the international level to allow Parties to optimize their approaches to minimize carbon dioxide equivalent emissions, rather than to focus upon targeting single elements within the basket. Such an approach enables the consideration of a wide range of issues, *inter alia*, health, medical, environmental and safety considerations, energy efficiency as well as technical and economic considerations.*