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"How will near-term decisions over the inclusion of forest-based climate mitigation in a carbon market affect the long-term protection of forests in developing countries?"

(1) What will be the effect of changes in industrialized country forest management practices resulting from carbon crediting (under Art 3.3/3.4 of the Kyoto Protocol and through potential US policies on carbon sequestration) on incentives for logging of natural forests in developing countries?

(2) What will be the effect of carbon crediting for afforestation and reforestation under the Clean Development Mechanism be on the rate of conversion of natural forests to plantations in developing countries?

(3) How might any negative impacts resulting from (1) or (2) be reduced or ameliorated?