Draft Decision on Review
Submission from Bolivia, China, Cuba, Dominica, Ecuador, Egypt, El Salvador, India, Iran, Iraq, Kuwait, Malaysia, Nicaragua, Philippines, Saudi Arabia, Sri Lanka and Venezuela

The Conference of the Parties,

Recalling decision 1/CP.16, paragraphs 4 and 138-140, and decision 2/CP.17, paragraphs 157-167,

Affirming that the review is not a review of the Convention itself and that it aims at assessing the implementation of commitments under the Convention,

Also affirming that the review can only be understood in the context of such a review leading to the achievement of the objectives of the Convention under Article 2, with a view to identifying gaps to achieving the ultimate objective of the Convention and enabling the full, effective and sustained implementation of the Convention,

Reaffirming that the review shall be guided by the principles of the Convention, especially the principles of equity and common but differentiated responsibilities and respective capabilities, and shall be conducted in accordance with the relevant provisions of the UNFCCC, especially Articles 4.1, 4.2(b), 4.2(d), 4.3, 4.5, 4.7, 4.8, 7.2(a), 7.2(e), 10.2(a), 10.2(b), 12.1, 12.2 of the Convention.

1. Decides that the review should assess:

   a) The adequacy of the long-term global goal, in the light of the ultimate objective of the Convention, and the overall progress made towards achieving it, in accordance with the relevant principles and provisions of the Convention;

   b) The adequacy of the implementation of the commitments under the Convention, in particular the adequacy and effectiveness of the binding and ambitious emission reduction commitments of Parties included in Annex I to the Convention, and the commitments of Parties included in Annex II to the Convention for the provision of financial resources and the transfer of technology and capacity-building to developing countries, given that the extent of
adaptation costs is contingent on meeting the necessary emission reduction commitments;
c) The adverse social and economic impacts on developing country Parties of climate change and response measures to combat climate change.

2. Pursuant to paragraph 162 of decision 2/CP.17, also decides to establish a joint contact group of the SBSTA and SBI to facilitate the assistance of SBI and SBSTA in conducting the review. The SBI/SBSTA joint contact group will consider the inputs referred to in 2/CP.17, paragraph 161 and be supported by workshops and other in-session and inter-sessional activities, as appropriate, organized under these subsidiary bodies, upon agreement by Parties.

3. Agrees that the information gathering and compilation phase referred to in paragraph 164 of decision 2/CP.17 shall be undertaken continuously during the period from the start of the review in 2013 to not later than six (6) months before the conclusion of the review in 2015.

4. Also agrees that the review shall be conducted transparently and with the full participation of the Parties, which shall be ensured through the provision of adequate funding support from the UNFCCC Secretariat’s budget for the participation and representation of all developing country Parties in all phases of the review and in all activities, meetings, workshops, and sessions of the SBI and SBSTA that are part of the review process.