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Comments on para. 17-22

17. Decides, in order to enhance understanding among Parties of the intended nationally determined contributions, to provide opportunities for seeking and providing clarification to Parties and admitted observer organizations via electronic means, noting that future arrangements will be determined by the provisions of the protocol, another legal instrument or agreed outcome with legal force under the Convention applicable to all Parties, to be adopted by the Conference of the Parties at its twenty-first session, and any decisions that will give effect to these provisions;

>> Strengthen “noting”;
>> A “process of seeking and providing clarification” is not to be considered as a reference to transparency provisions under the Paris agreement, neither to the aggregate consideration process – that is yet to be negotiated.

18. Encourages each Party to provide, through the electronic means referred to in paragraph 17 above, written responses through the secretariat to questions for clarification within one month of the questions being made available;

>> Request clarification whether questions would be provided one by one or in groups.

19. Requests the secretariat to:

   (a) Publish the intended nationally determined contributions as communicated by Parties and a compilation of the information provided by Parties referred to in paragraph 13 above on the UNFCCC website;
   (b) Create the electronic means referred to in paragraph 17 above and publish the questions and responses referred to in paragraph 18 above on the UNFCCC website;

20. Also requests the secretariat to organize workshops in conjunction with the session of the Ad Hoc Working Group on the Durban Platform for Enhanced Action to be held in June 2015 and its subsequent session dialogues on the intended nationally determined contributions in a city with full diplomatic representation with the objectives of:

   (a) Enhancing the clarity, transparency and understanding of the aggregate effect of communicated intended nationally determined contributions;
   (b) Facilitating efforts by Parties that have not communicated their intended nationally determined contributions up to that point;

>> Dialogues should not be held in a rush, in parallel to negotiating sessions.
Dialogues could be better organized outside the negotiation setting, possibly in one of the UN headquarters, using also webstreaming tools, for outreaching purposes.

Request clarification on time allocation: time for each session and time available for each Party. Will the time available be sufficient for an adequate clarification of each NDC?

21. Urges developed country Parties and other Parties in a position to do so, the operating entities of the Financial Mechanism of the Convention and any other organizations in a position to do so to continue to provide support to developing country Parties for the preparation and implementation of their intended nationally determined contributions;

22. Requests developed country Parties and other Parties in a position to do so, the operating entities of the Financial Mechanism of the Convention and any other organizations in a position to do so to submit to the secretariat no later than 31 January 2015, information on the support provided to developing country Parties for the preparation of their intended nationally determined contributions, and on lessons learned from this collaboration, and requests the secretariat to make this information available on the UNFCCC website;

>> submission of information => send this paragraph to annex;