

CMP agenda item 6
Report of the Compliance Committee

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Thank you, Mr. President.

1. Distinguished delegates, ladies and gentlemen, on behalf of the plenary of the Compliance Committee of the Kyoto Protocol, which I co-chair with Ms. Rueanna Haynes, it is my privilege to report to the CMP on the activities of the Committee over the past year.
2. First, let me focus on the work of the enforcement branch. One of the issues that came up this year was the submission **by Monaco of its 2014 national inventory report** beyond six weeks of the submission date established by the Conference of the Parties. The enforcement branch discussed this matter and noted that the issue may formally come before it in the future, if the review team considering Monaco's 2014 annual submission raises it as a question of implementation.
3. The enforcement branch also considered the effects on Canada's withdrawal from the Kyoto Protocol on its reporting obligations under the Protocol. The branch will return to this matter next year.

4. The branch also devoted its time to preparing for expected challenges in the 2014 inventory review cycle relating to KP-LULUCF activities.
5. Turning to the work of the **facilitative branch**, consideration of whether to commence an early warning exercise with respect to Austria, Croatia and Italy was concluded. The branch noted that all three Parties were on track to meet their commitments under Article 3, paragraph 1, of the Kyoto Protocol for the first commitment period.
6. The branch also wrote to **Monaco** raising concerns about its late submission of its **6th national communication** and asking whether the branch could provide any advice and facilitation, which Monaco declined. In light of Monaco's response the branch concluded consideration of this matter.
7. The Committee as a whole looks forward to having a **2nd joint workshop with inventory lead reviewers** next year. Such interactions help build a shared understanding by the Committee and expert review teams of key challenges relating to **consistency of reviews under Article 8 of the Kyoto Protocol**.
8. Mr. President, I would now like to draw the attention of the CMP to **privileges and immunities for individuals serving on constituted bodies**. While we note that that the Subsidiary Body for Implementation has deferred discussions on this matter until 2016, we would nonetheless emphasize our hope that the CMP address privileges and immunities as a

matter of urgency. In particular, the Committee wishes to reiterate that the attribution of immunity from jurisdiction and the freedom to travel to attend meetings of the Committee are necessary elements for its work and their absence could affect the effectiveness of its operations.

9. The Committee wishes to extend its **thanks** to the Parties that have made contribution to the Trust Fund for Activities to support the work of the Committee. Your support is greatly appreciated.

10. I would also like to call the attention of the CMP to the fact that the Committee **currently has two vacant seats** that need to be filled for terms ending in 31 December 2015. Both branches are looking for one replacement alternative member each, the enforcement branch from the *Western European and Others Group* and the facilitative branch from *Non-Annex I Parties*.

11. I would like to close by thanking the members and alternate members, including the new members and alternate members who joined the Committee this year, for their engagement and commitment, the independent experts who assisted the Committee and the secretariat for its dedicated and professional support.

12. Thank you, Mr. President.