The secretariat of the United Nations Framework Convention on Climate Change and its Kyoto Protocol presents its compliments to the national focal points for climate change and to the permanent missions to the United Nations.

The secretariat has the honour to inform Parties and signatories to the Convention that pursuant to decision 1/CP.20, paragraph 6, at the eighth part of its second session, held in Geneva, Switzerland, from 8 to 13 February 2015, the Ad Hoc Working Group on the Durban Platform for Enhanced Action made available a negotiating text for a protocol, another legal instrument or an agreed outcome with legal force under the Convention applicable to all Parties (FCCC/ADP/2015/1).

In decision 1/CP.20, paragraph 7, the Conference of the Parties (COP) requested the secretariat to communicate the negotiating text referred to in paragraph 6 of the same decision in accordance with provisions of the Convention and the draft rules of procedure being applied, while noting that such communication will not prejudice whether the outcome to be adopted by the COP will be a protocol, another legal instrument or an agreed outcome with legal force under the Convention applicable to all Parties.

The secretariat has the pleasure to hereby communicate the negotiating text referred to in decision 1/CP.20, paragraph 6, by making it available in all six official languages of the United Nations at the following web address, thereby fulfilling all relevant legal and procedural requirements for COP 21 to adopt a protocol, another legal instrument or an agreed outcome with legal force under the Convention applicable to all Parties:


The secretariat avails itself of this opportunity to renew to the national focal points for climate change and to the permanent missions to the United Nations the assurances of its highest consideration.

Bonn, 19 March 2015