



NEW ZEALAND

Submission to the Subsidiary Body for Scientific and Technological Advice

Implications of the implementation of decisions 2/CMP.7 to 4/CMP.7 and 1/CMP.8 on the previous decisions on methodological issues related to the Kyoto Protocol, including those relating to Articles 5, 7 and 8 of the Kyoto Protocol

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1. This submission responds to the invitation from SBSTA 40 for Parties to provide views to the secretariat by 20 August 2014 on the status of work for this agenda item as of June 2014, and address the update of the conservativeness factors contained in appendix III to decision 20/CMP.1, including the consideration of the default uncertainties in the Intergovernmental Panel on Climate Change *2006 IPCC Guidelines for National Greenhouse Gas Inventories* (FCCC/SBSTA/2014/L.15 paragraph 3(b) refers).

2. New Zealand notes that the SBSTA requested the secretariat to update and extend the technical paper FCCC/TP/2013/9 for consideration at SBSTA 41 and for the technical discussion among experts from interested Parties prior to SBSTA 41, reflecting submissions from Parties (FCCC/SBSTA/2014/L.15 paragraph 3(a) refers).

Context

3. New Zealand wishes to express its gratitude to the European Union for its submission related to SBSTA agenda 12(a): Implications of the implementation of decisions 2/CMP.7 to 4/CMP.7 and 1/CMP.8 on the previous decisions on methodological issues related to the Kyoto Protocol, including those relating to Articles 5, 7 and 8 of the Kyoto Protocol, prior to SBSTA 40.

4. The detailed analysis of outstanding issues yet to be agreed under this work programme reflected in the European Union's submission enabled good progress on these matters to be made at SBSTA 40. A number of technical issues around the Second Commitment Period of the Kyoto Protocol still need to be resolved however in order for Parties to update the reporting, review, and accounting processes affected by decisions taken at CMP 7 in Durban and CMP 8 in Doha.

5. New Zealand holds the strong view that resolving these technical issues at SBSTA 41 in Lima is critical for giving effect to these decisions, and providing Parties with the necessary certainty about reporting and review requirements for the Second Commitment Period of the Kyoto Protocol.

Conclusion

6. New Zealand looks forward to taking part in the technical discussion of issues related to Articles 5, 7 and 8 of the Kyoto Protocol, including an update of the conservativeness factors for adjustments (decision 20/CMP.1) scheduled to take place in Bonn on 7 November 2014.

7. New Zealand hopes that discussions under this agenda item can be finalised at SBSTA 41, and that updated modalities and guidelines relating to Articles 5, 7 and 8 of the Kyoto Protocol can be adopted by CMP 10 in Lima.