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Provisional agenda and annotations

Note by the Executive Secretary*

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II. Background

1. By its decision 1/CP.13 (the Bali Action Plan), the Conference of the Parties (COP) launched a comprehensive process to enable the full, effective and sustained implementation of the Convention through long-term cooperative action now, up to and beyond 2012, in order to reach an agreed outcome and adopt a decision at its fifteenth session. It decided that the process shall be conducted under a subsidiary body under the

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^{*} This document was submitted after the due date owing to the short interval between the eleventh and twelfth session of the Ad Hoc Working Group on Long-term Cooperative Action under the Convention.

Convention, the Ad Hoc Working Group on Long-term Cooperative Action under the Convention (AWG-LCA).

- 2. The COP, by its decision 1/CP.15, extended the mandate of the AWG-LCA to enable it to continue its work with a view to presenting the outcome of its work to the COP for adoption at its sixteenth session. At its fifteenth session, the COP requested the AWG-LCA to continue its work, drawing on the report of the AWG-LCA presented to the COP at that session, as well as work undertaken by the COP on the basis of that report.¹
- 3. The Bureau of the Conference of the Parties decided that the twelfth session of the AWG-LCA will be held in Tianjin, China, from 4 to 9 October 2010, in conjunction with the fourteenth session of the Ad Hoc Working Group on Further Commitments for Annex I Parties under the Kyoto Protocol.

III. Annotations to the provisional agenda

1. Opening of the session

4. The twelfth session of the AWG-LCA will be opened by the Chair on Monday, 4 October 2010, at the Tianjin Meijiang Convention and Exhibition Centre in Tianjin, China

2. Organizational matters

(a) Adoption of the agenda

5. The provisional agenda for the session will be presented for adoption.

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	Executive Secretary

(b) Organization of the work of the session

- 6. *Background*: The Chair of the AWG-LCA has prepared a note (FCCC/AWGLCA/2010/13) on the scenario for the twelfth session which also includes, in its annex II, a proposed preliminary schedule for the session. Delegates are invited to consult this scenario note for further information and proposals on the organization of work.
- 7. The AWG-LCA will meet in an opening plenary on Monday, 4 October. The Chair has suggested in the scenario note that the AWG-LCA start its work on the negotiating text as soon as possible on Monday. To make this possible, the Chair has suggested that only delegations speaking on behalf of a group of Parties make brief opening remarks.²
- 8. Parties are invited to refer to the overview of the session posted on the UNFCCC website and to consult the Daily Programme, published during the session, for a detailed and up-to-date schedule of the work of the AWG-LCA.
- 9. The Subsidiary Body for Implementation (SBI), at its thirty-second session, recommended that the secretariat, in organizing future sessional periods, follow the practice of holding no more than two meetings of plenary and/or contact groups concurrently, with the total number of meetings held concurrently, including informals, not exceeding six, to

¹ Decision 1/CP.15, paragraphs 1 and 2.

Delegates who intend to make opening remarks on behalf of a group of Parties are kindly requested to inform the secretariat in advance by sending an email to <secretariat@unfccc.int> and to provide a hard copy to the conference officers in advance to facilitate the work of the interpreters.

the extent possible. It also recommended that the secretariat continue to take into consideration, when scheduling meetings, the constraints of delegations and avoid clashes on similar issues to the extent possible.³

- 10. At the same session, the SBI further recalled its recommendation in previous conclusions that all meetings end by 6 p.m., particularly to give Parties and regional groups sufficient time to prepare for daily meetings, but may, in exceptional circumstances, and on a case by case basis, continue for two to three hours.⁴
- 11. This session of the AWG-LCA will be organized according to the aforementioned recommendations.
- 12. *Action*: The AWG-LCA will be invited to agree on the organization of work for the session.

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FCCC/AWGLCA/2010/13 Scenario note on the twelfth session. Note by the Chair

3. Preparation of an outcome to be presented to the Conference of the Parties for adoption at its sixteenth session to enable the full, effective and sustained implementation of the Convention through long-term cooperative action now, up to and beyond 2012

- 13. *Background*: The AWG-LCA, at its eleventh session, considered the Chair's text to facilitate negotiations, contained in document FCCC/AWGLCA/2010/8. The result was a negotiating text, contained in document FCCC/AWGLCA/2010/14, for consideration by Parties at the twelfth session of the AWG-LCA.
- 14. To facilitate the negotiations, the Chair of the AWG-LCA has undertaken an analysis of the issues contained in the negotiating text. This analysis is included in annex I to the scenario note referred to in paragraph 6 above.
- 15. *Action*: The AWG-LCA will be invited to accelerate its efforts to resolve outstanding issues with a view to reaching agreement on an outcome to be presented to the COP for adoption at its sixteenth session.

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4. Other matters

16. Any other matters arising during the session will be taken up under this item.

5. Report on the session

- 17. *Background*: A draft report on the work of the session will be prepared for adoption by the AWG-LCA.
- 18. *Action*: The AWG-LCA will be invited to adopt the draft report and authorize the Rapporteur to complete the report, under the guidance of the Chair and with the assistance of the secretariat.

³ FCCC/SBI/2010/10, paragraph 164.

⁴ FCCC/SBI/2010/10, paragraph 165.

Annex

Documents prepared for the Ad Hoc Working Group on Long-term Cooperative Action under the Convention at its twelfth session

Documents prepared for the session

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the Executive Secretary

FCCC/AWGLCA/2010/13 Scenario note on the twelfth session. Note by

the Chair

FCCC/AWGLCA/2010/14 Negotiating text. Note by the secretariat

Other documents before the session

FCCC/AWGLCA/2010/11 Report of the Ad Hoc Working Group on

Long-term Cooperative Action under the Convention on its eleventh session, held in

Bonn from 2 to 6 August 2010

FCCC/AWGLCA/2009/17 Report of the Ad Hoc Working Group on Long-

term Cooperative Action under the Convention on its eighth session, held in Copenhagen from

7 to 15 December 2009

FCCC/CP/2010/2 Work undertaken by the Conference of the

Parties at its fifteenth session on the basis of the report of the Ad Hoc Working Group on Longterm Cooperative Action under the Convention

FCCC/CP/2009/11 and Add.1 Report of the Conference of the Parties on its

fifteenth session, held in Copenhagen from 7 to

19 December 2009