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Reporting from Parties not included in Annex I to the Convention

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Draft conclusions proposed by the Chair

1. The Subsidiary Body for Implementation (SBI) welcomed the information provided by the Global Environment Facility (GEF) in its report to the Conference of the Parties (COP) at its twenty-second session¹ on:

(a) The establishment of the Capacity-building Initiative for Transparency (CBIT), including its programming and implementation modalities, and the voluntary contributions pledged by several countries;²

(b) The financial support provided for the preparation of national communications and biennial update reports (BURs) by Parties not included in Annex I to the Convention (non-Annex I Parties);³

(c) The Global Support Programme for Preparation of National Communications and Biennial Update Reports by non-Annex I Parties,⁴ especially regarding the development and implementation of the 2016 work programme thereof.

2. The SBI recommended that the COP request the GEF to continue providing the information referred to in paragraph 1 above in its annual reports.

3. The SBI noted with appreciation the successful efforts of the GEF to take swift action in the establishment of the CBIT through voluntary contributions. The SBI welcomed the pledges made by several countries to make voluntary contributions to the CBIT. It also welcomed the signing of the first contribution agreement by a country and encouraged others that have pledged to make voluntary contributions to finalize their

¹ FCCC/CP/2016/6.

² See decision 1/CP.21, paragraph 86.

³ See also document FCCC/SBI/2016/INF.18.

⁴ A project administered jointly by the United Nations Development Programme and the United Nations Environment Programme.



contribution agreements. The SBI noted that the CBIT efforts will be included in the next replenishment of the GEF.

4. The SBI encouraged the GEF, subject to the availability of financial resources in the CBIT Trust Fund, to approve the first set of CBIT projects as early as possible. It also encouraged developing countries to submit project proposals to access financial resources from the CBIT Trust Fund.

5. The SBI noted that, as at 9 November 2016, 147 initial, 127 second, 29 third and 2 fourth national communications and 1 fifth national communication from non-Annex I Parties had been submitted and that, by the end of 2016, 1 additional initial national communication, 9 additional second and 18 additional third national communications from non-Annex I Parties are expected to be submitted. It also noted that, as at 8 November 2016, 34 non-Annex I Parties had submitted their first BUR and a further 5 non-Annex I Parties are expected to submit their first BUR by 31 December 2016. Additionally, by the end of 2016, 6 non-Annex I Parties are expected to submit their second BUR.

6. While recognizing the challenges that non-Annex I Parties face in submitting their BURs in a timely manner, the SBI further noted that, as at 9 November 2016, there were many outstanding submissions of BURs from non-Annex I Parties. Recalling decision 2/CP.17, paragraph 41(a), which states that non-Annex I Parties, consistent with their capabilities and the level of support provided for reporting, should submit their first BUR by December 2014, the SBI encouraged non-Annex I Parties that have not yet completed and submitted their first BUR to do so as soon as possible.

7. The SBI noted the report by the secretariat on regional workshops held in 2016 on the building of national greenhouse gas inventory systems and the use of the Intergovernmental Panel on Climate Change 2006 *IPCC Guidelines for National Greenhouse Gas Inventories*.⁵ Recalling the request⁶ of non-Annex I Parties for further technical support aimed at improving their domestic capacity to facilitate continuity in meeting their reporting requirements, the SBI encouraged Parties included in Annex II to the Convention and other developed country Parties in a position to do so to provide financial resources to enable the secretariat to continue responding to that request.

⁵ FCCC/SBI/2016/INF.17.

⁶ FCCC/SBI/2015/10, paragraph 29.