Introduction of agenda item 5 (b) Financial support for NAPs

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I: Background and context

- At AC4 the AC began to consider the issue of NAP finance in the context of the establishment of the NAP task force and the collaboration with the LEG;
- It decided to conduct further work on the matter in 2014, with a view to better understanding the issues that may challenge developing countries in accessing resources for the NAP process;
- Discussions at AC5, taking into account a background paper, concluded that there are significant technical and financial issues related to the financing of the NAP process.



II: Summary

Proposal: Development of a policy discussion document to:

- Explore more deeply the range of issues critical to developing countries accessing and effectively utilizing resources for the NAP process;
- Deepen the understanding of the range of perspectives and underlying arguments that exist on these issues among Parties and funding agencies;
- Capture some of the experience of countries in adaptation finance more broadly as it relates to the NAP process;
- Build on experience over the last decades with the financial mechanism, in particular the SCCF and LDCF;
- Provide insight into the current and ongoing discussions on adaptation finance.



Scope of the policy discussion document:

- Build on issues identified in the AC5 background paper on financing for NAPs;
- Consider issues raised by Parties in their submissions under the NAP and the NWP agenda items – on experiences related to the NAP process;
- Identify the range of perspectives on each of the issues, points of convergence and divergence, and questions for further discussion.



The AC may wish to:

- Endorse the proposal to draft a policy discussion document on issues related to financing the NAP process;
- Agree on priority areas to be covered by the paper from the list contained in the concept note;
- Determine a methodological process to collect input (e.g. from AC members, consultation with SCF, interviews with key experts, etc) and to analyze the information (e.g. an AC team, support from the secretariat, etc);
- Agree on next steps regarding the drafting of the policy discussion document, including responsibilities.

