

# AD HOC WORKING GROUP ON LONG-TERM COOPERATIVE ACTION UNDER THE CONVENTION

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## ***Oral report to the Contact Group***

### **Cooperative Sectoral Approaches' (agenda item 3b(iv))**

*Contact group meeting, 24 May 2012*

#### General understanding

- On the basis of decision 2/CP.17, paragraphs 74 and 78, Parties expressed their views and showed willingness to move this agenda item forward within a multilateral setting.
- Parties reiterated the importance of sectoral approaches and sector-specific actions in reducing greenhouse gas (GHG) emissions.

#### Issues discussed

##### *On paragraph 74 (general framework)*

- Many Parties are of the view that a general framework should guide the work on cooperative sectoral approaches.
- There were varied views on the framing of a general framework that would apply to all sectors as set out in article 4.1(c) of the Convention.
- Parties emphasized that such a framework should not inhibit investment and growth in the said sectors.

##### *On paragraph 78 (emissions from international transport)*

- All Parties recognized the role of other United Nations specialized agencies i.e., International Civil Aviation Organization (ICAO) and International Maritime Organization (IMO), that are dealing with technical and operational matters relating to aviation and maritime transport.
- All Parties emphasized the importance of the UNFCCC sending a 'signal' to ICAO and IMO in respect to how to handle reducing emissions from these sectors.
- Parties have varied views on how to package such a 'signal'.

#### *Next steps*

- Many Parties expressed the view that the exchange of views during the two sessions was very useful and therefore they needed more time to reflect before submitting proposals on texts that could form the basis of negotiations in the coming sessions.
- In line with the desire to enhance inclusiveness and multilateralism in addressing this matter, Parties welcomed the opportunity to make submissions on paragraphs 74 and 78.
- The submissions should be made available on the UNFCCC website and should form the basis for future work under this agenda item at the next session.