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[Section G - Technology development and transfer]

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Main observations:

- Parties recognized the importance of technology development and transfer in the draft Agreement and that the current section could be strengthened.
- Parties agreed that cooperative action is key to facilitate and promote technology development and transfer, and some Parties were of the view that the provisions of the current text could be enhanced to include other aspects.
- Most Parties expressed the view that the institutional arrangement on technology development and transfer is an important element to serve the draft Agreement, but there are different views on how to strengthen the institutional arrangement.
- Parties discussed the proposed framework on enhanced action on technology development and transfer, trying to identify 'what to do' (in the draft Agreement) and 'how to do it' (in the draft Decision). The discussion clarified that the framework:
 - Is not intended to create new institutions;
 - Would provide direction and overarching guidance to the work of the existing institutions in the medium and long terms and strengthen them.
- Parties discussed the following possible elements of the narrative of the draft Agreement for the technology section:
 - A group of Parties proposed the possible elements as follows:
 - Aspirational (long-term) aspects to enhance technology development and transfer;
 - Cooperative actions;
 - Specific actions by Parties (many elements contained in Part III of the Tool¹ could be used as the basis for further discussion);
 - Institutional arrangement and resource support (funding) to support these enhanced actions;
 - Another Party proposed other possible elements as follows:
 - The role of technology;
 - Recognition of positive developments;
 - Cooperative action, which could include other provisions in the text;
 - Institutional arrangements;
 - Another Party proposed other possible elements as follows:
 - A section on the importance of technology;
 - Developing and strengthening institutions and mechanisms;

¹ ADP.2015.4.Infromal Note, Annex II - available at http://unfccc.int/resource/docs/2015/adp2/eng/4infnot.pdf

- Reviews and how to update them over time;
- Restatement of commitment to address barriers and commitment to enhance the deployment of technology.
- Based on the output of an informal meeting (spin-off group), Parties further engaged in discussion on possible elements of the narrative of the draft Agreement for the technology section and reflected their views in the table below. This table has no status and will serve only as an internal tool for Parties to assist their consideration on how these elements (listed in the first column of the table) relate to current provisions in the Tool. In relation to what could be part of the draft Agreement and what could be part of the draft Decision:
 - Parties converged on a number of elements to be reflected in the draft Agreement:
 - Recognition of the important role of technology;
 - Cooperative actions;
 - Anchoring technology institutional arrangements;
 - With regard to the recognition of the important role of technology, Parties noted that this element would be best placed in the preamble to the draft Agreement;
 - With regard to the framework for enhanced action, Parties recognized that further discussions were needed in order to clarify which aspects of this element could be part of the draft Agreement and draft Decision;
 - Parties also agreed that aspects of strengthening institutions and the framework could be elaborated in the draft Decision;
 - Parties noted that technology needs assessment and periodic assessment of institutional arrangements (current provisions in Part II of the Tool) could be part of the draft Decision;
- Some Parties also noted that important elements of the technology section that appear in the table have not yet been addressed and this remains a task to be undertaken.

Notes by the Co-Facilitators and next steps:

• Parties agreed to establish an informal meeting (spin-off group) to work on the text on the following topics: Cooperative actions, Anchoring technology institutional arrangements, and Framework, to be facilitated by Mr. Carlos Fuller (Belize). Additional topics may be discussed as appropriate. An informal meeting is scheduled to take place on Friday, 4 September (from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m.). The facilitator will report back to the facilitated group meeting on Friday, 4 September, at 3 p.m. AD HOC WORKING GROUP ON THE DURBAN PLATFORM FOR ENHANCED ACTION Second session, part ten 31 August – 4 September 2015 Bonn, Germany

Key aspects in section Technology	Part I: Draft Agreement	Part III:		Part II: Draft Decision	
 Objective/purpose/global goal Role and importance of 	20. COOPERATIVE ACTION	70.	GLOBAL GOAL FOR	<mark>34.</mark>	TECHNOLOGY NEEDS ASSESSMENT
Technology (introduction) ○ Successes		71.	TECHNOLOGY FRAMEWORK	<mark>35.</mark>	STRENGTHENING
 Gaps/evolving needs, finance, access, 			FOR ENHANCED ACTION		INSTITUTIONAL ARRANGEMENTS
innovation What we plan to do, capture gaps: framework Cooperative action Anchoring institutions Framework Strengthening institutions and framework o What existing institutions are doing (reiteration): (TNA)		72.	INDIVIDUAL EFFORTS	36.	SUPPORT OPERATIONALIZATI
		72.1.	ADDRESSING BARRIERS BY	37.	ON AND DELIVERY ENHANCING COOPERATION
			DEVELOPED COUNTRIES		
		72.2.	ADDRESSING BARRIERS BY DEVELOPING COUNTRIES	<mark>38.</mark>	PERIODIC ASSESSMENT OF INSTITUTIONAL ARRANGEMENTS
Review and how to update overtime		72.3.	ACCESS AND INNOVATION	84.	TECHNOLOGY WORK PROGRAMME
 Review of Framework Restate commitments to address barriers and commitments to enhance deployment of technology 		72.4.	TECHNOLOGY NEEDS ASSESSMENT	71. FRAMEWORK FOR ENHANCED ACTION	
		72.5	RESEARCH, DEVELOPMENT AND DEMONSTRATI ON		
		72.6.	INDIVIDUAL EFFORTS – TECHNOLOGY COMPONENT		
		72.7.	COLLECTIVE COOPERATION		
		73.	INSTITUTIONAL ARRANGEMENT S TO SERVE THE AGREEMENT		