Report of the third meeting of the Transitional Committee for the design of the Green Climate Fund

Geneva, Switzerland 11–13 September 2011

I. Opening of the meeting

(Agenda item 1)

- 1. The third meeting of the Transitional Committee (TC) for the design of the Green Climate Fund (GCF) was held at the Centre International de Conférences Genève in Geneva, Switzerland, from 11 to 13 September 2011.
- 2. The Co-Chairs opened the meeting on Sunday, 11 September 2011, and welcomed all members of the TC and observers.
- 3. A moment of silence was held at the beginning of the meeting to commemorate the victims of the attacks in Norway on 22 July 2011 and in the United States of America on 11 September 2001.
- 3. Mr. Bruno Oberle, State Secretary, Director-General of the Swiss Federal Office for the Environment, delivered a welcoming address on behalf of the host country.
- 4. The two Vice-Chairs of the TC reported on the workshop on the role of the GCF in fostering transformational change, engaging civil society and leveraging the private sector, which was held in Geneva on 11 September 2011.

II. Adoption of the agenda

(Agenda item 2)

- 5. The TC considered document TC-3/1 containing the provisional agenda and annotations. Amendments were proposed to the provisional agenda. The agenda was adopted as amended, as follows:
 - 1. Opening of the meeting;
 - 2. Adoption of the agenda;
 - 3. Adoption of the report of the second meeting;
 - 4. Draft outline of the report of the Transitional Committee to the Conference of the Parties;
 - 5. Next steps;
 - 6. Other matters;
 - 7. Report of the meeting;
 - 8. Closure of the meeting.

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III. Adoption of the report of the second meeting

(Agenda item 3)

6. The TC considered document TC-2/5 containing the report on the second meeting. Amendments were proposed to the report. The report was adopted with amendments (document TC-2/5/Rev.1).

IV. Draft outline of the report of the Transitional Committee to the Conference of the Parties

(Agenda item 4)

- 7. The Co-Chairs introduced the draft outline of the report of the TC to the Conference of the Parties (COP), contained in document TC-3/2, and referred to the background information notes (TC-3/INF.1 and TC-3/INF.2). The co-facilitators of the four workstreams presented brief overviews of issues addressed under their workstreams, including their assessment of areas of convergence and issues requiring further discussion based on submissions made and discussions at previous TC meetings. The TC had an exchange of views on a number of key issues.
- 8. By way of concluding the discussion, the Co-Chairs presented a note containing the reflections of the Co-Chairs, Vice-Chairs and co-facilitators on the discussions during the meeting and the submissions received. Following an exchange of views on elements of the note, the Co-Chairs made some concluding remarks, summarizing the discussion.

V. Next steps

(Agenda item 5)

9. The Co-Chairs presented a note to the meeting on the roadmap between the third and the fourth meetings of the TC, outlining the proposed schedule for its remaining work in order to fulfill its mandate and provide operational documents for approval at the seventeenth session of the COP, to be held from 28 November to 9 December 2011, in Durban, South Africa. The TC agreed to the roadmap, annexed below.

VI. Other matters

(Agenda item 6)

- 10. With reference to document TC-3/INF.3, two members of the TC requested that a legal opinion be sought on institutional conflict of interest in the GCF design.
- 11. Some members of the TC expressed their support to the request put forward at the second meeting of the TC to apply the standard procedures of the United Nations regarding travel of more than nine hours duration in making travel arrangements for the TC members eligible for funding. The TC requested the secretariat to follow this request as appropriate in arranging travel for the fourth meeting of the TC.

VII. Report of the meeting

(Agenda item 7)

12. The TC considered the draft report on its third meeting, contained in document TC-3/L.1, and requested the Secretary to the TC, under the guidance of the

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Co-Chairs, to finalize the report after the meeting and submit it for adoption by the TC at its fourth meeting.

VIII. Closure of the meeting

(Agenda item 8)

13. The Co-Chairs, as well as two members of the TC, thanked the members of the TC and the TSU for their work and also the TC member from Switzerland as well as the Government of Switzerland for hosting the TC meeting in Geneva. The meeting closed on Tuesday, 13 September 2011.

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Annex

Roadmap between the third and the fourth meetings of the Transitional Committee

Note by the Co-Chairs

Initial draft report of the TC to COP 17 (prepared on 23 September 2011)

As agreed in the workplan (TC-2/5/Rev.1, Annex), "the Co-Chairs, the Vice-Chairs and the co-facilitators will prepare a draft report of the TC to COP 17, based on discussions at the third meeting of the TC and submissions received. This will include any operational documents that the TC deems appropriate." As requested in 1/CP.16, the report will allow the TC to "develop and recommend operational documents to the Conference of the Parties for its approval at its seventeenth session."

Consultations on the draft (23 September to 5 October 2011)

The Co-Chairs, the Vice-Chairs and the co-facilitators will consult all TC members, individually or in groups, on elements of the draft. The draft will reflect the outcome of these consultations.

Draft report of the TC to COP 17 (7 October 2011)

The draft report of the TC to COP 17 will be circulated on 7 October 2011 for consideration at the fourth meeting of the TC, to be held from 16 to 18 October 2011

Fourth meeting of the TC, to be held in Cape Town, South Africa, from 16 to 18 October 2011 (with an informal working dinner for TC members on 16 October 2011)

The fourth meeting will then consider the draft report and adopt it.