

**DECISION ON THE REVIEW AND ASSESSMENT OF THE PLAN SUBMITTED
UNDER PARAGRAPH 2 OF SECTION XV**

Party concerned: Romania

1. The final decision of the enforcement branch taken on 27 August 2011 (document CC-2011-1-8/Romania/EB) gave effect to the consequences contained in paragraph 24 of the preliminary finding of the branch (document CC-2011-1-6/Romania/EB) as confirmed by and annexed to the final decision. According to paragraph 24 (b) of the preliminary finding, Romania was to develop a plan referred to in paragraph 1 of section XV,¹ in accordance with the substantive requirements of paragraph 2 of section XV and paragraph 1 of rule 25 bis of the “Rules of Procedure of the Compliance Committee of the Kyoto Protocol” (the rules of procedure),² submit it within three months to the enforcement branch in accordance with paragraph 2 of section XV, and report on the progress of its implementation in accordance with paragraph 3 of section XV.

2. Romania submitted a document entitled “Section XV(2) Plan” (hereinafter referred to as the “plan”) to the enforcement branch on 2 November 2011 (document CC-2011-1-9/Romania/EB), which included the first progress report on the implementation of the plan, and a document entitled “Potential Problems and Further Questions from the ERT formulated in the course of the 2011 review of the greenhouse gas inventories of Romania submitted in 2011” on 10 November 2011 (document CC-2011-1-9/Romania/EB/Add.1). In accordance with paragraph 2 of section XV and paragraph 3 of rule 25 bis of the rules of procedure, the branch reviewed and assessed the documents submitted by Romania during its sixteenth meeting in Bonn from 14 to 18 November 2011.

3. On 14 November 2011, the enforcement branch decided to invite three independent experts drawn from the UNFCCC roster of experts to provide advice to the branch (document CC-2011-1-10/Romania/EB) in accordance with paragraph 5 of section VIII and rule 21 of the rules of procedure.

4. On 14 November 2011, the enforcement branch reviewed and assessed the plan. During the meeting, Romania made a presentation and the enforcement branch received advice from the invited experts. Several questions were asked by the enforcement branch relating to the measures that Romania has implemented and intends to implement in order to remedy the non-compliance as well as the review of the implementation of these measures.

5. The branch concludes, based on the information submitted and presented, that the plan meets the requirements set out in paragraph 2 of section XV and paragraph 1 of rule 25 bis of the rules of procedure. The branch commends Romania for the plan and the progress already made. The branch notes that not all the measures described in the plan have yet been implemented and urges Romania to carry out all the measures contained in the plan.

6. In accordance with paragraph 3 of section XV, Romania is to submit to the branch progress reports on the implementation of the plan on a regular basis. In this respect, the branch welcomes Romania’s statement that it will take into account the input by the branch during the consideration of the plan at its sixteenth meeting and submit a second progress report by 1 February 2012.

¹ All section references in this document refer to the “Procedures and mechanisms relating to compliance” contained in the annex to decision 27/CMP.1.

² All references to the rules of procedure in this document refer to the rules contained in the annex to decision 4/CMP.2 as amended by decision 4/CMP.4.

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7. In accordance with paragraph 2 of section XV and paragraph 3 of rule 25 bis of the rules of procedure, it is the assessment of the branch that the plan:

- (a) Sets out and adequately addresses, in separate sections, each of the elements specified in paragraph 2 of section XV; and
- (b) If implemented in accordance with this decision, is expected to remedy the non-compliance.

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This decision was adopted by consensus in Bonn on 15 November 2011.