

**Revised Africa proposal on entry into force of amendments and transitional arrangements**

The CMP [The decision to adopt the amendments will come somewhere here. We no preferred language at this stage].....

**[Preamble]** *Recalling that* at the Seventh Conference of the Parties serving as Meeting of the Parties to the Kyoto Protocol, held in Durban from 28 November to 9 December 2011, the Parties by decision 1/CMP 7, requested the Ad Hoc Working Group on Further Commitments for Annex I Parties under the Kyoto Protocol to deliver the results of its work to the Conference of the Parties serving as the meeting of the Parties to the Kyoto Protocol at its eighth session with a view to the Conference of the Parties serving as the meeting of the Parties to the Kyoto Protocol to adopting these QELROs as amendments to Annex B of the Kyoto Protocol at that session, while ensuring coherence with the implementation of decision 2/CP.17;

**[Preamble]** *Recalling further* that the second commitment period under the Kyoto Protocol shall begin on 1 January 2013 as decided in decision 1/CMP.7;

**[Urging expeditious ratification]** *Agrees* that Parties shall as a matter of urgency and without delay take the necessary domestic steps to accept the amendments to the Kyoto Protocol contained in the Annex pursuant to Articles 20 of the Kyoto Protocol;

**[Provisional application and legal continuity]** *Agrees* that in order to avoid a gap between first and second commitment period and to facilitate a smooth transition, that the amendments to the Kyoto Protocol contained in the Annex to this decision shall provisionally apply from 1 January 2013 pending the entry into

force thereof for individual Parties in accordance with Article 20 of the Kyoto Protocol;

**[Declarations]** *Decides* that Parties which have agreed to the adoption of the amendments to the Kyoto Protocol contained in the Annex and which are due to national constitutional procedures are not in the position to provisionally apply the amendments, may within 90 days of the adoption of this decision notify the Depositary accordingly and also indicate how they intend to implement the amendments pending the entry into force of the amendments for them in light of the agreement in Decision 1/CMP.7 that the second commitment period shall start on 1 January 2013;

**[Outstanding consequential amendments]** *Request* the Subsidiary Body for Implementation, at its thirty-seventh session to identify areas where consequential amendments to the existing rules may be needed to safeguard the integrity and the operational and technical continuity of the system and to ensure the smooth transition from the first to the second commitment period with a view to recommending draft decisions for adoption by the Conference of the Parties serving as the meeting of the Parties to the Kyoto Protocol at its ninth session.