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

Fourteenth session (second part) Bonn, 7–17 June 2011

INFORMAL SUMMARY OF THE AWG-LCA WORKSHOP

Workshop on nationally appropriate mitigation actions submitted by developing country Parties, underlying assumptions, and any support needed for implementation of these actions, as requested by decision 1/CP.16, paragraph 51

Summary by co-chairs of issues raised by participants

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Presentations made by:

Chile, Ethiopia, Alliance of Small Island States, Viet Nam, Kenya, European Union, Bolivia (Plurinational State of), Norway, United States of America, Climate Action Network

Substantive points

- Illustrative presentations communicating a wide variety of actions and confirming that significant mitigation measures are being taken;
- Co-benefits associated with mitigation action, in relation to health, jobs and balance of payments;
- Significant interest in sharing experience on the development of nationally appropriate mitigation actions (NAMAs), including the use of templates and formats, while recognizing the limitations of doing so due to the diversity of national circumstances and types of actions;
- Significant potential for emission reductions in developing countries that could tapped if given the appropriate support;
- Needs for and approaches to capacity-building and other support, including the role of the financial mechanism;
- Calls for regional balance in the support provided for NAMAs;
- Consideration of growing developing country emissions and the link to a global "emissions gap";
- The fact that a significant number of developing countries have not submitted NAMAs and the need to support and encourage this to happen;
- The importance of sharing information on assumptions and approaches, including with regard to objectives related to "business as usual" and "intensity targets";
- Benefits in national mitigation planning of information provided through measurement, reporting and verification (MRV) systems;
- The role of international consultation and analysis (ICA) and international assessment and review (IAR) in the international conversation on mitigation;
- The significance of the diversity of both NAMAs and support, inter alia in relation to the design and operation of the registry;

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• The relationship between supported NAMAs and the clean development mechanism, and the need to avoid "double counting".

Way forward

- Calls for continued work on understanding the underlying assumptions of NAMAs submitted by
 developing countries and support needed for implementation of these actions in a workshop
 format. However the Ad Hoc Working Group on Long-term Cooperative Action under the
 Convention needs to consider time constraints and the balance with formal negotiations;
- Requests for more structure to be added to future presentations and discussions, possibly through a thematic approach;
- Suggestions for a technical paper by the secretariat based on the existing INF document with submitted NAMAs, with reminders that parameters should be distinct from the paper prepared for developed countries;
- Proposals for new submissions to clarify the information submitted on NAMAs;
- Request for a written report at this session.