Draft decision on workstream 2 of the
Ad Hoc Working Group on the Durban Platform for Enhanced Action

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[I. Preamble]

Recalling decisions [1/CP.16], 1/CP.17, 2/CP.18, 1/CP.19 and 1/CP.20,

Recalling that the work of workstream 2 is under the Convention, its principles and provisions, including the principle of equity and common but differentiated responsibilities and respective capabilities as well as Articles 2, 3 and 4 of the Convention,

Stressing the urgency of accelerating implementation of the Convention and its Kyoto Protocol to enhance pre-2020 ambition, in particular through accelerating the implementation of decision 1/CP.19, paragraphs 3 and 4, and decision 1/CP.20, paragraphs 17 and 18,

Noting with grave concern the significant gap between the aggregate effect of Parties’ mitigation pledges in terms of global annual emissions of greenhouse gases by 2020 [and aggregate emission pathways] consistent with having a likely chance of holding the increase in global average temperature below 2 °C or 1.5 °C above pre-industrial levels,

Recognizing the importance of regional and international cooperation to enhance the implementation of the Convention and to mobilize ambitious climate action by all,

Emphasizing that enhanced pre-2020 ambition can lay a solid basis for enhanced post-2020 ambition,

Emphasizing that enhanced action and international cooperation on adaptation is urgently required to enable and support the implementation of adaptation actions aimed at reducing vulnerability and building resilience in developing country Parties, [recognizing the special status of the least developed country Parties and small island developing states],

Reaffirming that policies and measures by developed country Parties to increase pre-2020 ambition should be in accordance with the principles and provisions of the Convention as set out in its Article 3 and 4 and should also be comprehensive, covering all relevant sources, sinks and reservoirs of greenhouse gases and adaptation, as well as finance, technology development and transfer including of cost-effective technologies and capacity-building, in accordance with historical responsibilities of developed countries and different socio-economic contexts and development stages of developed and developing country Parties.

Acknowledging the legitimate needs of developing country Parties for the achievement of sustained economic growth and the eradication of poverty, so as to be able to deal with climate change,

Emphasizing the enduring benefits of ambitious and early action, including major cost reductions of mitigation and adaptation efforts in the future,

[Reiterating the need to scale up quick-start opportunities that are [cost effective and] widely applicable, [such as reducing emissions from deforestation and forest degradation, and the role of conservation, sustainable management]
of forests, and enhancement of forest carbon stocks in developing countries, the joint mitigation and adaptation mechanism for the integral and sustainable management of forests, and renewable energy].

pp12 Noting with concern the conclusions of the forty-second session of the Subsidiary Body for Implementation that many developing country Parties have not yet submitted their first Biennial Update Reports;

[II. Mitigation]

1. **Resolves** to ensure the highest possible mitigation efforts in the pre-2020 period, including by:
   (a) Urging all Parties that have not already done so to ratify and implement the Doha Amendment to the Kyoto Protocol[, if they wish to do so];
   (b) Urging all Parties that have not already done so to make and implement a mitigation pledge under the Cancun Agreements;
   (c) [Inviting all developed country Parties to increase the ambition of their mitigation pledges under the Cancun Agreements so that they are in line with the levels required by science, including by removing conditionalities in accordance with decision 1/CP.19, paragraph 4(d);]
   (d) Inviting developing country Parties that have not submitted their first Biennial Update Reports to prepare and submit them as soon as possible;
   (e) Urging all Parties to participate fully and in a timely manner in agreed measurement, reporting and verification processes in order to demonstrate progress in their implementation of mitigation measures and, for those with a pledge under the Cancun Agreements, in order to demonstrate progress in implementing in full this pledge;

2. **Encourages** Parties to promote the voluntary cancellation, by Parties and non-Party stakeholders, of emissions units issued under the Kyoto Protocol (i.e. certified emission reductions, [emission reductions units], [assigned amount units and removal units]) which meet standards that deliver real, permanent, additional and verified mitigation outcomes;

3. **Urges** all Parties to transparently report on [internationally transferred mitigation outcomes] that are used to meet international pledges in order to promote environmental integrity and avoid double counting of mitigation outcomes;

4. **Recognizes** the social and economic value of voluntary mitigation actions and their co-benefits to adaptation, health and sustainable development;

5. **Resolves** to strengthen, in the period 2016–2020, the existing technical examination process on mitigation, as defined in decision 1/CP.19, paragraph 5(a), taking into account the latest scientific knowledge, including by:
   (a) Requesting appointment of co-facilitators to guide this process;
   (b) Encouraging Parties, Convention bodies, international organizations and non-Party stakeholders to engage actively and effectively in this process, to submit their experience and suggestions, including from regional events, to this process, and to cooperate in facilitating the implementation of policies, practices and actions identified during this process in accordance with national sustainable development priorities;
   (c) Striving to improve access to, and participation in, this process by [developing country Party experts][non-Party experts];
   (d) Requesting the Technology Executive Committee and the Climate Technology Centre and Network to:
      (i) Engage in the technical expert meetings and enhance their efforts to facilitate and support Parties in scaling up the implementation of policies, practices and actions identified during this process;
      (ii) [Provide regular updates during the technical expert meetings on the progress made in facilitating the implementation of policies, practices and actions previously identified during this process;]
      (iii) Include information on their activities under this paragraph 5(d) in their joint annual report to the Conference of the Parties;
Encouraging Parties to make effective use of the Climate Technology Centre and Network to obtain support in the development of economically, environmentally and socially viable project proposals in the high-potential areas identified in this process;

6. Requests the secretariat, in consultation with the co-facilitators referred to in paragraph 5(a) above, to organize the process referred to in paragraph 5 above and disseminate its results, including by:
   (a) Organizing [in cooperation with the Technology Executive Committee] regular technical expert meetings focusing on specific policies, practices and actions representing best practice and with the potential to be scalable and replicable, in cooperation and coordination with representatives of relevant Convention bodies, in particular the Green Climate Fund, the Global Environment Facility, the Technology Executive Committee and the Climate Technology Centre and Network;
   (b) Updating on an annual basis, following the meetings referred to in paragraph 6(a) above and in time to serve as input to the [summary for policymakers] [reports of the meetings] referred to in paragraph 6(c) below, a technical paper on the mitigation benefits and co-benefits of policies, practices and actions to enhance mitigation ambition, the information on which should be made available in a user-friendly online format;
   (c) Preparing, under the guidance of the champions referred to in paragraph 29 below, [a summary for policymakers] [reports of the meetings], including the identification of specific policies, practices and actions representing best practice and with the potential to be scalable and replicable, and publishing it at least two months in advance of each session of the Conference of the Parties as input for the high-level events referred to in paragraph 28 below;
   (d) [Ensuring, in the preparation of the technical paper referred to in paragraph 6(b) above and summary for policymakers referred to in paragraph 6(c) above, the inclusion of information related to the means of implementation, in particular finance, technology and capacity-building support required by developing country Parties;]

7. Decides that the process referred to in paragraph 5 above should be continued under the [Conference of the Parties][Subsidiary Body for Implementation] and occur on an ongoing basis until 2020;

8. [Also decides to conduct, in [2017][2018], an assessment of the process referred to in paragraph 5 above with the aim of improving its effectiveness;]

[III. Support]

9. [Recognizes the need and urgency to enhance the provision of finance, technology and capacity-building by developed countries, in a predictable manner, to support [the highest possible mitigation] of developing country Parties [and other Parties in need of support, including countries with economies in transition] related to pre-2020 action, in particular through ensuring that the operating entities of the Financial Mechanism are scaled up substantially and on an ongoing basis;]

10. [Urges developed country Parties to increase their level of financial support to USD 70 billion in 2016 and 85 billion in 2018 in order to achieve the goal of mobilizing jointly USD 100 billion annually by 2020;]

11. [Urges developed country Parties, to achieve the USD 100bn USD goal by increasing the level of financial support to adaptation, ensuring that it reaches [at least 50 per cent] [one-third] [a significant percentage] of that goal, prioritizing the delivery of that goal through the operating entities of the Financial Mechanism and the Adaptation Fund;]

12. [Reemphasizes its request to developed country Parties, in preparing their updated biennial submissions on strategies and approaches for scaling up climate finance for the period 2016–2020, to enhance the available quantitative and qualitative elements of a pathway towards their commitment to a goal of mobilizing jointly USD 100 billion annually by 2020, placing greater emphasis on transparency and predictability of financial flows;]

13. [Reiterates its request to the Standing Committee on Finance to explore how it can enhance its work on the measurement, reporting and verification of support on the basis of the best available information on the mobilization of various resources, including private and alternative resources, through public interventions;]
14. [Calls on the operating entities of the financial mechanism to provide financial resources for the development and transfer of environmentally sound technologies and know-how to developing country Parties to facilitate their further deployment and allocate resources for the removal of barriers in accessing such technologies;]

15. [Decides to conduct in 2016-2017, a review of the gaps in implementation of the mitigation commitments of developed country parties, and provision of support for adaptation, finance, technology transfer and capacity-building from developed country Parties to developing country Parties;]

[IV. Accelerated implementation]

Option 1 (paragraph 16-17):

16. [Decides to launch a process for accelerating pre-2020 implementation in the 2016-2020 period, including the following tasks:

(a) Sharing experiences and best practice among Parties on accelerating the implementation of paragraphs 3 and 4 of decision 1/CP.19 and paragraphs 17 and 18 of decision 1/CP.20;

(b) Facilitating the revisit of the pre-2020 emission reduction target of each developed country Party and, if it is also a Party to the Kyoto Protocol, its quantified emission limitation or reduction commitment for the second commitment period of the Kyoto Protocol, and evaluating the progress on achieving the emission reduction target by developed country Parties as whole to at least 40% below 1990 by 2020;

(c) Facilitating the removal by developed country Parties of any conditions associated with their respective quantified economy-wide emission reduction targets or targets under the second commitment period of the Kyoto Protocol, with a view to fully implementing decision 1/CP.19 paragraph 4(d);

(d) Assessing the adequacy of finance, technology and capacity-building support to developing countries in a holistic manner and facilitating further measures on implementation of national appropriate mitigation actions based on the result of such assessment;

(e) Supporting indigenous knowledge and practices in adaptation and mitigation, including the enhancement of the multiple co-benefits of pre-2020 action;

(f) Developing recommendations on further guidance to the Adaptation Committee, Financial Mechanism and Technology Mechanism under the Convention to enhance their performance and delivery of their mandates;

(g) Sharing the experiences on and addressing economic diversification and addressing the negative economic and social consequences of the implementation of response measures on developing countries, in particular in relation to unilateral measures;]

17. Agrees that the accelerated implementation process will:

(a) Hold meetings in parallel with each session of subsidiary bodies to the Convention;

(b) Allow for submissions by Parties;

(c) Provide recommendations to the Conference of the Parties on improving the scale and delivery of means of implementation;

(d) Evaluate the current transparency, including measurement, reporting and verification, of finance;

(e) Be informed by work of existing subsidiary bodies and processes under the Convention which will provide expert inputs on the matter referred to in paragraph 16 above;

Option 2 (paragraphs 18-20):

18. Decides to [launch][conduct] a facilitative and exploratory [process][dialogue] in conjunction with the twenty-third session of the Conference of the Parties (2017) with a view to identifying ways to accelerate the implementation of commitments under the Convention in the pre-2020 period, including:

(a) Opportunities to enhance the ambition of mitigation efforts by all Parties;
(b) Opportunities to enhance the provision and mobilization of finance, technology and capacity-building support to developing country Parties [and other Parties in need of support, including countries with economies in transition,] in a holistic manner;

19. *Invites* Parties, accredited observer organizations, and Convention bodies to submit to the secretariat by [x date] their views on the matter referred to in paragraph 18 above;

20. *Also invites* Convention bodies to provide expert inputs on the matter referred to in paragraph 18 above;

**Option 3 (paragraph 21):**

21. *No text;*

[V. Non-Party stakeholder engagement]

22. *Acknowledges* with appreciation the results of the Lima–Paris Action Agenda, which build on the climate summit convened on 23 September 2014 by the United Nations Secretary-General;

23. *Welcomes* the efforts of non-Party stakeholders, including civil society, the private sector, financial institutions, cities and other subnational authorities, local communities and indigenous peoples, to scale up their climate actions and provide further mitigation and/or adaptation opportunities for Parties, including those climate actions communicated to the Non-State Actor Zone for Climate Action (NAZCA) platform;

24. *Invites* non-Party stakeholders to demonstrate their climate actions through mechanisms such as the Non-State Actor Zone for Climate Action (NAZCA) platform;

25. *Encourages* Parties to work closely with non-Party stakeholders, including those mentioned in paragraph 23 above, to catalyze efforts to strengthen mitigation action;

26. *Encourages* non-Party stakeholders to increase their engagement in the [process referred to in paragraph 5 above][processes referred to in paragraphs 5 above and [34] [41] below];

27. *Welcomes* with appreciation the Declaration of the World People’s Conference on Climate Change and the Defense of Life held in Tiquipaya, Bolivia, from 10 to 12 October 2015;

28. *Establishes* a platform for supporting and strengthening the knowledge, practices and technologies of indigenous peoples and local communities including those for adaptation and mitigation to climate change in a holistic and integrated manner;

[VI. High-level dialogue/events]

29. *Agrees* to convene, in conjunction with each session of the Conference of the Parties from 2016 to 2020, a high-level event that:

   (a) Further strengthens high-level engagement on the implementation of policy options and actions arising from the [process referred to in paragraph 5 above][processes referred to in paragraphs 5 above and [34] [41] below], building on the relevant reports and summaries for policymakers;

   (b) Provides an opportunity for announcing new or strengthened efforts, voluntary initiatives and coalitions, including policies, practices and actions arising from the [process referred to in paragraph 5 above][processes referred to in paragraphs 5 above and [34] [41] below] and presented in the summaries for policymakers;

   (c) Takes stock of related progress and new or strengthened efforts, voluntary initiatives and coalitions;

   (d) Exchanges experiences and best practices on climate action by non-Party stakeholders[, including indigenous peoples’ knowledge and technologies on mitigation and adaptation];

   (e) Provides meaningful and regular opportunities for the effective engagement of experts from Parties, international organizations, international cooperative initiatives and non-Party stakeholders;

30. *Decides* that two high-level champions shall be appointed to facilitate, through strengthened high-level engagement in the 2016-2020 period, the scaling up and launching of new or strengthened efforts, voluntary initiatives and coalitions, including by:

   (a) Working with the Executive Secretary and the current and incoming presidents of the Conference of the Parties to coordinate the annual high-level event referred to in paragraph 29 above;
(b) Engaging intensively with interested Parties and non-Party stakeholders;
(c) Provide guidance to the secretariat on the organization of technical expert meetings referred to in paragraph 6(a);

31. [Also decides that the high-level champions referred to in paragraph 30 above shall serve for a term of two years, with their terms overlapping for a full year to ensure continuity, such that:

(a) The Presidency of the twentieth session of the Conference of the Parties shall appoint one champion, who shall serve from the date of the appointment until the last day of the twenty-second session of the Conference of the Parties (2016);
(b) The Presidency of the twenty-first session of the Conference of the Parties shall appoint one champion, who shall serve from the date of the appointment until the last day of the twenty-third session of the Conference of the Parties (2017);
(c) Thereafter, each subsequent Presidency shall appoint one champion who shall serve for two years successor to the champions appointed under paragraphs 31(a) and (b) respectively;]

32. Invites all interested Parties and relevant organizations to provide support for the work of the champions referred to in paragraph 30 above;

33. Requests the secretariat, in consultation with the current and incoming presidents of the Conference of the Parties, to make arrangements facilitating the provision of support referred to in paragraph 32 above;

[VII. Adaptation]
Option 1 (paragraphs 34-40):

34. Decides to launch a technical examination process on adaptation, in the period 2016–2020, taking into account:
(a) Lessons learned from the technical examination process on mitigation referred to in paragraph 5 above;
(b) The unique nationally determined characteristics, stakeholders, and needs of cooperative action on adaptation;
(c) The need to ensure coherence and to complement and enhance work being conducted under existing processes, arrangements and institutions under the Convention;

35. Also decides that the process referred to in paragraph 34 above will aim to identify opportunities for decreasing vulnerabilities, enhance adaptation action and support, share best practices and attend to gaps in implementation, knowledge, technology, capacity and finance, by addressing, inter alia:
(a) Actions that could significantly enhance adaptation implementation, including through the national adaptation plans, including those actions which can enhance economic diversification and have mitigation co-benefits;
(b) Gaps relating to institutions, knowledge, technology, capacity and finance, including in relationship to decision 1/CP.16, paragraphs 14 and 18;
(c) Opportunities for Parties, civil society and to bring forward adaptation activities with the potential for scaling up and replication to increase the resilience of vulnerable people, communities and ecosystems;
(d) Assessment and enabling of adaptation finance (in accordance with Articles 4.4 and 4.9, inter alia) to implement identified actions and to ensure the formulation and full implementation of national adaptation planning processes, including national adaptation plans;
(e) Enhancement of the implementation of policies, practices and processes related to transfer and diffusion of technological know-how, including the formulation and implementation of national adaptation plans;
(f) Enabling of technology support and needs assessments (including appropriateness) as well as capacity-building to formulate and implement identified projects, programmes and activities;
(g) Methodologies to assess adaptation costs and needs and adequacy of support, linked to the mitigation gap;
(h) Enhanced research and development of systematic observation (on climate risks, vulnerability, adaptation and resilience);
(i) Options for the sharing of good practices and lessons learned, building on the experience of the Nairobi work programme, particularly from actions with the potential to enhance the implementation of adaptation and those with mitigation co-benefits;

(j) Continued promotion of cooperation on concrete actions on adaptation in accordance with nationally defined development priorities;

36. Requests the Adaptation Committee, in support of the process referred to in paragraph 34 above, to prepare a yearly synthesis report on the progress of the initiatives under this process;

37. Requests the secretariat to facilitate the process referred to in paragraph 34 above and disseminate its results, taking into account the work of, inter alia, the Adaptation Committee, the Least Developed Countries Expert Group, and activities under the Nairobi work programme, including by:

(a) Organizing regular technical expert meetings focusing on scalable and replicable policies, practices and actions and on the finance, technology development and capacity building support needed by developing country Parties;

(b) Preparing, [on an annual basis following the meetings] [for each meeting], referred to in paragraph 37 (a) above and in time to serve as input to the summary for policymakers referred to in paragraph 37 (c) below, a technical paper on opportunities to enhance adaptation action and support, including gaps in means of implementation;

(c) Preparing a summary for policymakers and publishing it well in advance of each session of the Conference of the Parties as input for the high-level events referred to in paragraph 29 above;

(d) Strengthening intra-Convention cooperation and coordination to consider ways to accelerate the implementation of policies, practices and actions identified during this process and the provision of support to developing country Parties necessary for their implementation;

38. Decides that the process referred to in paragraph 34 above should be continued under the [Conference of the Parties][Subsidiary Body for Implementation] and occur on an ongoing basis until 2020;

39. [Also decides to conduct, in [2017][2018], an assessment of the process referred to in paragraph 34 above with the aim of improving its effectiveness;]

40. Encourages Convention bodies to take note of the lessons learned from the process referred to in paragraphs 5 and 34 above and replicate applicable processes where they contribute to the purposes of those bodies;

Option 1 Alt (paragraphs 41-44):

41. Decides to launch a technical examination process on adaptation in the period 2016-2020, building on existing processes and institutions, including the Adaptation Committee, to enhance adaptation action and support, share best practices and address gaps in implementation, knowledge, finance, technology, planning and institutional capacity;

42. Agrees to convene, in conjunction with each session of the Conference of the Parties a high level event to further strengthen high-level engagement on adaptation including, inter alia, strengthening high level engagement on the implementation of adaptation policy options and actions;

43. Requests the Adaptation Committee to prepare an annual synthesis report on the progress of the initiatives under this process;

44. Requests the secretariat to facilitate the process referred to in paragraph 41 above and to disseminate its results, taking into account the other work of, inter alia, the Adaptation Committee, the Least Developed Countries Expert Group, and activities under the Nairobi work programme;

Option 2 (paragraph 45):

45. Encourages Convention bodies to take note of the lessons learned from the process referred to in paragraph 5 above and replicate applicable processes where they contribute to the purposes of those bodies;
46. *Notes* the estimated budgetary implications of the activities to be undertaken by the secretariat referred to in this decision and requests that the actions of the secretariat called for in this decision be undertaken subject to the availability of financial resources.

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