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High-Level Segment of COP 22/CMP 12/CMA 1

Media Arrangements

General Rules for both Accredited Media and Country Press Corps support

Visual media are permitted to film, record interviews and take photos in all public areas of the conference venue unless otherwise restricted for security reasons. Generally, all open meetings of the Conference are accessible to the print media, subject to the availability of space. For access by visual media, please contact the IBC Manager, Mr. Tim Davis (Media Centre), Tel: +212 6 8800 6505

<u>Please note:</u> No access will be granted to any media representatives to closed meetings of the Conference or to office areas.

Arrival of Heads of State

The Heads of State will arrive at the venue through the VVIP Entrance commencing from 9.30am and will be individually greeted by His Majesty King Mohamed VI of Morocco; the UN Secretary-General, Ban Kimoon, and the UNFCCC Executive Secretary, Patricia Espinosa.

There will be 4 TV/Photo Opportunities. It is not possible to be in more than one pool.

1. Arrival of Heads of State

TV/Photo Opportunity for Media: Outside the VVIP entrance there will be a designated area for media to capture the arrival of the Heads of State which is scheduled to commence at 9.30am. The UNFCCC media team will select representatives of the accredited media based on a geographical balance. Those selected will be escorted to the position from the Media Meeting Point (see below). <u>The assembly time is 9.00am</u>. This is an 'outside' position so suitable clothing is a priority. Once in the position those in the pool will not be permitted to leave until the last Head of State has arrived. This could be 12 noon. Be prepared.

2. Heads of State Group Photo

<u>Photo Opportunity</u>: There will be a restricted pool for **media photographers only**. The same selection criteria stated above will be applied by the UNFCCC media team. Those selected will be escorted to the position from the Media Meeting Point (see below). <u>The assembly time will be 12.00 noon.</u>

3. Entry of VIP's into Plenary Marrakech

TV/Photo Opportunity for Media: Once the group photo has taken place, dignitaries will proceed to take their seats in Plenary Marrakech. His Majesty King Mohamed VI of Morocco, accompanied by the UN Secretary-General, Ban Ki-moon and the UNFCCC Executive Secretary, Patricia Espinosa, will access Plenary Marrakech through the main entrance and this will provide a TV/photo opportunity to capture this moment in front of the remarkable façade. A pool of 10 TV/media photographers will be selected, following the criteria indicated above. Those selected will be escorted to the position from the Media Meeting Point (see below). The assembly time will be 12.30pm.

4. Opening of the High Level Segment

The opening of the High-Level Segment of the Conference will take place on in Plenary Marrakech.

Speakers at the opening are expected to include:

His Majesty King Mohamed VI of Morocco Mr. Ban Ki-moon, Secretary-General of the United Nations Ms. Patricia Espinosa, UNFCCC Executive-Secretary

<u>TV/Photo Opportunity for Media:</u> Prior to the opening, a selected combined pool of 10 television and 20 still photographers will have the opportunity to capture establishing shots inside Plenary Marrakech

from a stanchioned area at the front of the Plenary. Access will be from the Media Meeting Point (see below). After the VIP's have entered Plenary Marrakech the pool of TV/photographers will be given 2 minutes to capture those on the podium. Once the Conference is declared open, television crews will be required to leave the Plenary Hall. Still photographers in the pool may remain to take pictures of the speakers on a one-by-one basis under guidance. At the end of the Opening Ceremony all those in the pool must leave the Plenary.

<u>Selected Pools</u>: Lists of those selected by the UNFCCC Media Team in conjunction with the Host Country Media Team will be posted on the Notice Board outside the Press Media Information Counter by 6pm on Monday 14th November. Those selected will be escorted to the position from the Media Meeting Point (see below). <u>The assembly time will be 12.30pm</u>.

<u>Media Meeting Point:</u> There will be a central 'Media Meeting Point' off the central boulevard in the open area between Plenary Marrakech and Plenary Casablanca. Please familiarise yourself with this meeting point which will be clearly identified. For those selected in the different pools this is where you will be briefed and will collect your Pool Badges. From here those selected will be escorted to the different pool locations. i.e, the VVIP Entrance, the Group Photo position, the entrance to Plenary Marrakech and inside Plenary Marrakech.

Press Opportunity

Some seats will be available in Plenary Marrakech for the Opening Ceremony for print media and news agencies. These will be available on a first-come, first-serve basis. These seats will be located at the rear of the Plenary Marrakech and badges can be picked-up on Tuesday, 15 November, 11am. Those in the pool must assemble at the above mentioned Media Meeting Point (where badges will be given to allow entrance to Plenary Marrakech.

Pool Signals

Television and radio broadcasters will receive 'live' pool feeds from the Arrival, the Family Photo and the Opening of the High Level Segment provided by the host broadcaster, **SNRT**. Pool signals will be provided to all workstations and cubicles in the International Broadcasting Centre (IBC). The format of the pool feed is HD PAL or NTSC 16:9 delivered through SDI BNC connections with embedded audio. For Radio Broadcasters the feed will be delivered through XLR connections.

Journalists who cannot be accommodated in Plenary Marrakech will be able to follow the proceedings on the closed-circuit television (CCTV) monitors throughout the Conference venue and in the Writing Press Areas of the Media Centre.

Continuation of High-Level Segment

After a lunch hosted by His Majesty King Mohamed VI of Morocco at the Royal Palace of Marrakech, the High-Level Segment of the Conference will continue with national statements made by Country Heads of State or Government, Ministers and Heads of Delegations. This will continue until Wednesday, 16th November. (For the list of speakers please visit <u>unfccc.int</u> Click on UNFCCC Process & Meeting, click on High Level Segment and then click on 'List of Speakers', or see the shortcut given in the Daily Programme.

The texts of statements made will be published on the website <u>unfccc.int</u> as they become available from delegations.

PLEASE NOTE: Generally, television crews and still photographers will not be permitted to cover statements made during the High-Level Segment from inside Plenary Marrakech. However, there will be one-on-one opportunities for TV/Photo Media, National TV crews and photographers, including those accompanying their respective delegations to cover the statements.

Prior arrangements for escorted access to Plenary Marrakech must be made with the IBC Manager, Tim Davis at his office in the International Broadcast Centre (IBC).

TV organizations can receive full live coverage of the statements made during the High-Level Segment from the Host Broadcaster's pool feed available in their respective work spaces in the IBC. Recorded coverage of the Host Broadcasters pool feed can also be made available upon request to the IBC Manager.

Press Conferences by Ministers and Heads of Delegations

It is expected that a number of Ministers and Heads of Delegations will hold press conferences during the High-Level Segment of COP 22/CMP 12/CMA 1. Press conferences will take place in Press Conference Room Rabat.

PLEASE NOTE: The delegations giving the press conferences may decide to invite only national media of their country to attend their briefing. Please check the programme monitors for relevant announcements.

Media Coordination and Support

The UNFCCC Media Team offices as well as the offices of the Host Country Media Team are located in the IBC Media Centre.

Please contact the team by using the following email addresses: UNFCCC Media Team <u>press@unfccc.int</u>. Media Information Desk <u>mediainfo@unfccc.int</u> IBC Manager, Tim Davis davis.tim52@gmail.com