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**MESSAGE FROM THE CHAIR OF THE SUBSIDIARY BODY FOR IMPLEMENTATION**

Last June, in order to prepare for the consideration of two new agenda items<sup>1</sup> at the upcoming 47<sup>th</sup> session of the SBI, I invited Parties and observer organizations to submit their views and suggestions on these matters by the 18<sup>th</sup> of September.

I have received a request from a group of Parties to withdraw this call for input, which had not been mandated by Parties. So as to avoid any unnecessary procedural issues that may delay the launch of the SBI, and to respect the request of these Parties, I am withdrawing my initial invitation, and have requested the secretariat to remove the related calls on the submission platform.

Let me reassure all Parties that I am committed to support a transparent, inclusive and country-driven process. The invitation that I made last July to prepare for the consideration of these matters at SBI 47 was made based on my understanding that Parties are willing to swiftly make progress on all matters relating to the implementation of the Paris Agreement, including the two new items for SBI, in a balanced and coherent manner. I am also committed to assist the Presidency in paving the way to a comprehensive outcome on the implementation of the Paris Agreement, working closely with all Parties, Presiding Officers and observer organizations. I count on your support to enable the SBI to contribute to a successful session next November in Bonn under the Presidency of Fiji.

I welcome voluntary submissions that Parties have done or may wish to do on any matter under the SBI agenda. In this respect, I have also requested the secretariat to move any such submissions under the voluntary submissions' section for SBI 47 on the submission portal.

Yours sincerely,

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Tomasz Chruszczow, SBI Chair

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<sup>1</sup> “Common time frames for nationally determined contributions” (Article 4, paragraph 10, of the Paris Agreement); and Ways of enhancing the implementation of training, public awareness, public participation and public access to information so as to enhance actions under the Agreement (Decision 1/CP.21, paragraph 83).