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NOTIFICATION TO PARTIES
Communication of information relating to the Copenhagen Accord

In order to finalize the technical processing of the report of the fifteenth session of the Conference of the Parties and in light of the many enquiries by Parties, the secretariat is pleased to provide Parties with technical information concerning association with the Copenhagen Accord.

The Conference of the Parties at its fifteenth session adopted a decision that took note of the Copenhagen Accord of 18 December 2009. The decision was adopted with the explicit understanding that the Accord would be attached to the decision and that the chapeau of the Accord would list Parties that wish to associate themselves with it. In order to enable the secretariat to finalize the decisions adopted at the Conference as well as the report of the Conference, I would invite those Parties that wish to be associated with the Copenhagen Accord to transmit this information to the secretariat by 31 January 2010. In the light of the legal character of the Accord, such an official communication may take the form of a simple letter to the Executive Secretary from a relevant officer of the Government or a note verbale indicating that your country wishes to associate itself with the Accord and that its name should be included in the chapeau of the Accord. Additionally, the secretariat will maintain and update on its website a list of Parties that have communicated their intention to associate themselves with the Accord, including any such statements of association that come after the finalization of the COP report.

Further, the secretariat has received numerous enquiries from Parties seeking clarification on how they may provide the information contemplated in paragraphs 4 and 5 of the Accord. Pursuant to paragraph 4, Annex I Parties may submit to the secretariat by 31 January 2010 information on quantified economy-wide emissions targets for 2020 in the format given in Appendix I of the Accord. Similarly, pursuant to paragraph 5, non-Annex I Parties may submit to the secretariat by 31 January 2010 information on their mitigation actions in the format given in Appendix II. The decision to submit such information is for individual Parties to make and they are at liberty to provide any clarifications of their inputs they deem appropriate. The format for the submission of the information is already provided in the appendices referred to above. In accordance with Articles 8 and 12 of the Convention, the secretariat will compile all information provided by Parties and make it publicly available.

Should you have any questions or require further information, please contact the secretariat at secretariat@unfccc.int.

Yours sincerely,

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Distribution: To Parties through national focal points for climate change.