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Report to the Conference of the Parties at its fourteenth session on progress made

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Draft conclusions proposed by the Chair

The Ad Hoc Working Group on Long-term Cooperative Action under the Convention, recalling decision 1/CP.13, paragraph 9, requested its Chair to present to the Conference of the Parties at its fourteenth session the report of the group on progress made, which is contained in the annex.

Annex**Report of the Ad Hoc Working Group on Long-term Cooperative Action
under the Convention to the Conference of the Parties
at its fourteenth session**

1. In Bali, Parties recognized that deep cuts in global emissions will be required to achieve the ultimate objective of the Convention and that enhanced action on adaptation is needed to enable climate-resilient development and reduce vulnerability of all Parties. They adopted the Bali Action Plan (decision 1/CP.13), entrusting the Ad Hoc Working Group on Long-term Cooperative Action under the Convention (AWG-LCA) to carry forward a comprehensive process to enable the full, effective and sustained implementation of the Convention through long-term cooperative action, now, up to and beyond 2012. The objective of this process is to reach an agreed outcome to be adopted by the Conference of the Parties at its fifteenth session in Copenhagen.
2. The AWG-LCA has met at four sessions this year. At its first session it agreed to seek progress on all the elements assigned to it by the Bali Action Plan and to undertake its work in a coherent, integrated and transparent manner. The Bali Action Plan identifies five elements to be considered: a shared vision for long-term cooperative action, enhanced action on adaptation and on mitigation, enhanced action on technology development and transfer, and on the provision of financial resources and investment to support such action. The working group has considered all of the elements of the Bali Action Plan at each session, taking into account the interlinkages among them. This has been done by addressing a shared vision for long-term cooperative action, enhanced action on adaptation and its associated means of implementation, enhanced action on mitigation and its associated means of implementation, and delivering on technology and financing, including consideration of institutional arrangements.
3. During this first year, Parties have participated actively and made progress, articulating their visions and concerns and presenting concrete ideas and proposals. Their work has been facilitated by in-depth consideration of key issues in eight in-session workshops. This has fostered mutual understanding on what provisions, mechanisms and institutional arrangements would enhance implementation of the Convention. Further workshops will be held at the group's next session.
4. At the third session of the working group, the Chair was asked to assemble ideas and proposals presented by Parties, taking into account inputs from observer organizations. This assembly document was made available prior to the present session and has since been updated to capture additional ideas and proposals submitted.¹ The document thus provides an overview of the ideas and proposals on the table to date, and enables Parties to discern areas of convergence and divergence on the elements of the Bali Action Plan. It will contribute to moving negotiations forward in 2009.
5. The AWG-LCA has adopted conclusions on its work programme for 2009. It has agreed to shift into full negotiating mode in 2009 and to organize its work accordingly, advancing negotiations on all elements of the Bali Action Plan in a comprehensive and balanced way. The group has invited its Chair to prepare further documentation, including a negotiating text, to help focus the negotiations. It has also called for further proposals from Parties regarding the content and form of the agreed outcome in order to review and assess the scope and the progress of the negotiations at the sixth session of the AWG-LCA in June 2009. Four sessions of a total duration of up to eight weeks have been scheduled for 2009, and the need for additional meeting time in 2009 is under review.

¹ FCCC/AWGLCA/2008/16/Rev.1.