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## AD HOC WORKING GROUP ON FURTHER COMMITMENTS FOR ANNEX I PARTIES UNDER THE KYOTO PROTOCOL

## Report of the Ad Hoc Working Group on Further Commitments for Annex I Parties under the Kyoto Protocol on its twelfth session, held in Bonn from 1 to 11 June 2010

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## I. Opening of the session

(Agenda item 1)

- 1. The twelfth session of the Ad Hoc Working Group on Further Commitments for Annex I Parties under the Kyoto Protocol (AWG-KP) was held at the Maritim Hotel in Bonn, Germany, from 1 to 11 June 2010.
- 2. The Chair of the AWG-KP, Mr. John Ashe (Antigua and Barbuda), opened the session and welcomed all Parties and observers. He also welcomed Mr. Harald Dovland (Norway) as Vice-Chair of the AWG-KP.
- 3. The Chair reminded delegates that the Conference of the Parties serving as the meeting of the Parties to the Kyoto Protocol (CMP), by its decision 1/CMP.5, requested the AWG-KP to deliver the results of its work pursuant to decision 1/CMP.1 for adoption by the CMP at its sixth session. The Chair further recalled that the twelfth session of the AWG-KP would be devoted to further advancing its substantive work, with a particular focus on the scale of emission reductions to be achieved by Annex I Parties in aggregate and on the contribution of Annex I Parties to this scale, as well as work on other issues identified at the resumed sixth session of the AWG-KP.

### II. Organizational matters

(Agenda item 2)

#### A. Adoption of the agenda

(Agenda item 2 (a))

- 4. At its 1<sup>st</sup> meeting, on 1 June, the AWG-KP considered a note by the Executive Secretary containing the provisional agenda and annotations (FCCC/KP/AWG/2010/4).
- 5. At the same meeting, the agenda was adopted as follows:
  - 1. Opening of the session.
  - 2. Organizational matters:
    - (a) Adoption of the agenda;
    - (b) Organization of the work of the session;
    - (c) Election of officers.
  - 3. Consideration of further commitments for Annex I Parties under the Kyoto Protocol.
  - 4. Other matters.
  - 5. Report on the session.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> FCCC/KP/AWG/2008/8, paragraph 49 (c).

#### B. Organization of the work of the session

(Agenda item 2 (b))

- 6. The AWG-KP considered this sub-item at its 1<sup>st</sup> meeting, on 1 June. The Chair made a proposal for the organization of the work of the twelfth session, as outlined in the scenario note.<sup>2</sup> The AWG-KP agreed to the proposed organization of work.
- 7. At the same meeting, statements were made by representatives of 19 Parties, including one speaking onbehalf of the Group of 77 and China, one on behalf of the African Group, one on behalf of the European Union and its members States, one on behalf of the Umbrella Group, one on behalf of the Alliance of Small Island States, one on behalf of the least developed countries, one on behalf of the Commission des Forêts d'Afrique Centrale, one on behalf of six Parties and one on behalf of the Environmental Integrity Group.

#### C. Election of officers

(Agenda item 2 (c))

- 8. The AWG-KP considered this sub-item at its 1<sup>st</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> meetings, on 1 and 11 June, respectively.
- 9. At the 1<sup>st</sup> meeting, the Chair informed the AWG-KP that the President of the fifteenth session of the Conference of the Parties (COP) and the fifth session of the CMP, Ms. Lykke Friis (Denmark), had invited Mr. Andrej Kranjc (Slovenia), Rapporteur of the CMP, to continue conducting consultations on the nomination of officers of the AWG-KP on her behalf.
- 10. At the  $2^{nd}$  meeting, Mr. Kranjc provided an update on the consultations and informed delegates that the consultations were ongoing.
- 11. At the 3<sup>rd</sup> meeting, Mr. Kranjc reported that agreement had been reached among the regional groups on the nominees for Chair, Vice-Chair and Rapporteur of the AWG-KP.
- 12. The AWG-KP, acting on a proposal by the President of COP 15 and CMP 5, elected by acclamation Mr. Ashe as its Chair for a second term, Mr. Adrian Macey (New Zealand) as its Vice-Chair and Mr. Miroslav Spasojevic (Serbia) as its Rapporteur for a second term. The AWG-KP was informed that the elected officers would serve as from the conclusion of its twelfth session.
- 13. A statement was made by Spain on behalf of the European Union and its member States.

## III. Consideration of further commitments for Annex I Parties under the Kyoto Protocol

(Agenda item 3)

#### 1. Proceedings

- 14. The AWG-KP considered this item at its  $1^{st}$ ,  $2^{nd}$  and  $3^{rd}$  meetings, on 1, 4 and 11 June, respectively. It had before it documents FCCC/KP/AWG/2010/3, FCCC/KP/AWG/2010/6 and Add.1–5, FCCC/KP/AWG/2010/INF.1 and FCCC/TP/2010/2.
- 15. At its 1<sup>st</sup> meeting, the AWG-KP agreed to establish two contact groups to prepare draft conclusions on item 3, addressing:

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<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> FCCC/KP/AWG/2010/5.

- (a) The scale of emission reductions to be achieved by Annex I Parties in aggregate, as well as the contribution of Annex I Parties, individually or jointly, to this scale, to be co-chaired by Mr. Leon Charles (Grenada) and Mr. Jürgen Lefevere (European Union);
- (b) Other issues identified in paragraph 49 (c) of the report of the AWG-KP on its resumed sixth session,<sup>3</sup> including the matters relating to the treatment of land use, land-use change and forestry (LULUCF), emissions trading and the project-based mechanisms, and other methodological issues, to be chaired by the Vice-Chair of the AWG-KP, Mr. Dovland.
- 16. The Vice-Chair was assisted by Mr. Marcelo Rocha (Brazil) and Mr. Peter Iversen (Denmark) in conducting informal consultations on the matters relating to the treatment of LULUCF.
- 17. Finally, with regard to the consideration of information on potential environmental, economic and social consequences, including spillover effects, of tools, policies, measures and methodologies available to Annex I Parties, the Chair asked Mr. Andrew Ure (Australia) to conduct informal consultations on this matter on his behalf.
- 18. Also at the 1<sup>st</sup> meeting, statements were made on behalf of the business and industry non-governmental organizations (NGOs), women and gender NGOs, youth NGOs, environmental NGOs, trade union NGOs, and the local government and municipal authorities constituency.
- 19. At the 2<sup>nd</sup> meeting, the Chair invited the co-chairs of the contact groups and the co-facilitators of the informal consultations, referred to in paragraphs 15, 16 and 17 above, to provide updates on the status of the discussions in their respective groups.
- 20. In light of these updates and in accordance with a request made by the contact group referred to in paragraph 15 (a) above, the AWG-KP established a contact group on legal matters, which was asked to conduct an analysis of the legal aspects of the entry into force of proposed amendments to the Kyoto Protocol pursuant to its Article 3, paragraph 9, to avoid a gap between the end of the first commitment period and the beginning of the second commitment period.
- 21. Consultations were held during the session by Mr. Kaire Munionganda Mbuende (Namibia) on behalf of the Chairs of the Ad Hoc Working Group on Long-term Cooperative Action under the Convention (AWG-LCA) and the AWG-KP on a proposal made by Parties to address issues of common concern to the AWG-LCA and the AWG-KP. The Chair of the AWG-KP agreed with the Chair of the AWG-LCA that it would be helpful for these consultations to continue at the next sessions of the AWG-KP and the AWG-LCA.
- 22. At the 3<sup>rd</sup> meeting, the Chair of the AWG-KP asked the co-chairs of the contact groups and the co-facilitators of the informal consultations, referred to in paragraphs 15, 16, 17 and 20 above, to provide their final oral reports of the session to the AWG-KP.
- 23. Statements were made by representatives of 25 Parties, including one speaking on behalf of the Group of 77 and China, one on behalf of the African Group and five on behalf of the European Union and its members States.
- 24. At the same meeting, the AWG-KP considered and adopted conclusions proposed by the Chair as amended in the course of the plenary meeting.<sup>4</sup>

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>3</sup> FCCC/KP/AWG/2008/8.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>4</sup> FCCC/KP/AWG/2010/L.4.

#### 2. Conclusions

- 25. The Ad Hoc Working Group on Further Commitments for Annex I Parties under the Kyoto Protocol (AWG-KP) recalled decision 1/CMP.5 and reiterated that it will deliver the results of its work pursuant to decision 1/CMP.1 for adoption by the Conference of the Parties serving as the meeting of the Parties to the Kyoto Protocol (CMP) at its sixth session.
- 26. The AWG-KP further recalled the iterative nature of its work programme and that it will focus its work in 2010 on the issues identified in paragraph 49 (a) ("consideration of the scale of emission reductions to be achieved by Annex I Parties in aggregate") and (b) ("consideration of the contribution of Annex I Parties, individually or jointly, consistent with Article 4 of the Kyoto Protocol, to the scale of emission reductions to be achieved by Annex I Parties in aggregate") of document FCCC/KP/AWG/2008/8, and that it will continue to work on the issues identified in paragraph 49 (c) ("other issues arising from the implementation of the work programme, with due attention to improving the environmental integrity of the Kyoto Protocol") of the same document.
- 27. The AWG-KP took note of documents FCCC/KP/AWG/2010/6 and Add.1–5, FCCC/TP/2010/2 and FCCC/KP/AWG/2010/INF.1.
- 28. The AWG-KP requested the secretariat:
  - (a) To organize, under the guidance of the Chair of the AWG-KP and taking into consideration the views of Parties referred to in paragraph 29 (a) below as well as discussions at the twelfth session of the AWG-KP, an in-session workshop at its thirteenth session on the scale of emission reductions to be achieved by Annex I Parties in aggregate and the contribution of Annex I Parties, individually or jointly, to this scale. In this context, the workshop should allow for a focused technical discussion on the quantitative implications of the proposals and issues identified by Parties in their submissions referred to in paragraph 29 below, and for further exploring a possible enhanced scale of emission reductions to be achieved by Annex I Parties, emphasizing that consensus on their overall level of ambition is deemed important. In organizing this workshop, the secretariat should ensure a balanced geographical participation of experts and organizations;
  - (b) To update document FCCC/KP/AWG/2010/INF.1 using data and information from the submissions referred to in paragraph 29 below;
  - (c) To update document FCCC/TP/2010/2 on the basis of information provided by the Parties and work undertaken by the AWG-KP at its twelfth session;
  - (d) To organize, before its thirteenth session, subject to the availability of supplementary resources, a pre-sessional workshop on forest management accounting, including any new available information, taking into account progress made during its twelfth session regarding the use of reference levels.
- 29. The AWG-KP invited Parties to submit to the secretariat, if possible by 2 July 2010:
  - (a) Views on the topics to be covered and the organizations/experts to be invited to the workshop referred to in paragraph 28 (a) above;

- (b) Proposals to address the implications of the issues identified in the work programme of the AWG-KP, as specified in paragraph 49 (c) of document FCCC/KP/AWG/2008/8, for the scale of emission reductions to be achieved by Annex I Parties in aggregate and for the contribution of Annex I Parties, individually or jointly, to this scale.
- 30. The AWG-KP further invited Annex I Parties in a position to do so to submit to the secretariat, by 2 July 2010, available new data and information on their expected use in the next commitment period of LULUCF and emissions trading and the project-based mechanisms, including expected carry-over of units from the first commitment period to the next commitment period, as well as related assumptions made when presenting their pledges for emission reduction targets, for compilation into a miscellaneous document and for consideration by the AWG-KP at its thirteenth session.
- 31. The AWG-KP took note of the views of Parties on the documentation to facilitate negotiations contained in document FCCC/KP/AWG/2010/6/Add.1. It invited Parties to submit to the secretariat, by 12 July 2010, their views on this document for consideration by the AWG-KP at its thirteenth session, with a view to facilitating the updating of the document at least two weeks before its fourteenth session.
- 32. In the context of decision 1/CMP.1, the AWG-KP requested the secretariat to prepare, for consideration by the AWG-KP at its thirteenth session, a paper that:
  - (a) Identifies and explores all the legal options available, including proposals by Parties, inter alia as contained in document FCCC/KP/AWG/2010/6/Add.1, aiming at ensuring that there is no gap between the first and subsequent commitment periods;
  - (b) Identifies the legal consequences and implications of a possible gap between the first and subsequent commitment periods.

#### IV. Other matters

(Agenda item 4)

33. No other matters were raised or considered.

#### V. Report on the session

(Agenda item 5)

34. At its 3<sup>rd</sup> meeting, on 11 June, the AWG-KP considered the draft report on its twelfth session (FCCC/KP/AWG/2010/L.3). At the same meeting, on a proposal by the Chair, the AWG-KP authorized the Rapporteur to complete the report on the session, under the guidance of the Chair and with the assistance of the secretariat.

#### VI. Closure of the session

35. At the 3<sup>rd</sup> and final meeting, the Chair recalled the invaluable contribution of the outgoing Vice-Chair to the work of the AWG-KP, and thanked the Rapporteur for his work and the delegates for their contributions. He also congratulated Mr. Macey on his election as Vice-Chair and on his conduct of consultations on the draft conclusions.

#### Annex

# Documents prepared for the Ad Hoc Working Group on Further Commitments for Annex I Parties under the Kyoto Protocol at its twelfth session

#### **Documents prepared for the session**

FCCC/KP/AWG/2010/4 Provisional agenda and annotations. Note by the Executive Secretary

FCCC/KP/AWG/2010/5 Scenario note on the twelfth session. Note by the Chair

FCCC/KP/AWG/2010/6 Documentation to facilitate negotiations among Parties.

Note by the Chair

FCCC/KP/AWG/2010/6/Add.1 Documentation to facilitate negotiations among Parties.

Note by the Chair. Addendum. Proposed amendments to the Kyoto Protocol pursuant to its Article 3, paragraph 9

FCCC/KP/AWG/2010/6/Add.2 Documentation to facilitate negotiations among Parties.

Note by the Chair. Addendum. Land use, land-use change

and forestry

FCCC/KP/AWG/2010/6/Add.3 Documentation to facilitate negotiations among Parties.

Note by the Chair. Addendum. Emissions trading and the

project based mechanisms

FCCC/KP/AWG/2010/6/Add.4 Documentation to facilitate negotiations among Parties.

Note by the Chair. Addendum. Greenhouse gases, sectors and source categories; common metrics to calculate the carbon dioxide equivalence of anthropogenic emissions by sources and removals by sinks; and other methodological

issues

FCCC/KP/AWG/2010/6/Add.5 Documentation to facilitate negotiations among Parties.

Note by the Chair. Addendum. Consideration of

information on potential environmental, economic and social consequences, including spillover effects, of tools, policies, measures and methodologies available to Annex I Parties

FCCC/KP/AWG/2010/INF.1 Compilation of pledges for emission reductions and related

assumptions provided by Parties to date and the associated

emission reductions. Note by the secretariat

FCCC/TP/2010/2 Issues relating to the transformation of pledges for emission

reductions into quantified emission limitation and reduction

objectives. Technical paper

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FCCC/KP/AWG/2010/L.3 Draft report of the Ad Hoc Working Group on Further

Commitments for Annex I Parties under the Kyoto Protocol

on its twelfth session

FCCC/KP/AWG/2010/L.4 Consideration of further commitments for Annex I Parties

under the Kyoto Protocol. Draft conclusions proposed by

the Chair

Other documents before the session

FCCC/KP/AWG/2010/3 Report of the Ad Hoc Working Group on Further

Commitments for Annex I Parties under the Kyoto Protocol on its eleventh session, held in Bonn from 9 to 11 April

2010

FCCC/KP/AWG/2009/17 Report of the Ad Hoc Working Group on Further

Commitments for Annex I Parties under the Kyoto Protocol

on its tenth session, held in Copenhagen from 7 to 15

December 2009

FCCC/KP/CMP/2009/21 and Add.1 Report of the Conference of the Parties serving as the

meeting of the Parties to the Kyoto Protocol on its fifth session, held in Copenhagen from 7 to 15 December 2009

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