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Bangkok, 5–8 April 2011 and Bonn, 6–17 June 2011*

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Note by the Executive Secretary**

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* The second part of the sixteenth session of the Ad Hoc Working Group on Further Commitments for Annex I Parties under the Kyoto Protocol will be held in conjunction with the second part of the fourteenth session of the Ad Hoc Working Group on Long-term Cooperative Action under the Convention and the thirty-fourth sessions of the Subsidiary Body for Implementation and the Subsidiary Body for Scientific and Technological Advice. The exact dates of the resumed parts of the sessions of the ad hoc working groups will be announced in due course.

** This document was submitted after the due date owing to the short interval between the fifteenth and sixteenth sessions of the Ad Hoc Working Group on Further Commitments for Annex I Parties under the Kyoto Protocol.

II. Background

1. The Ad Hoc Working Group on Further Commitments for Annex I Parties under the Kyoto Protocol (AWG-KP), at its resumed fourth session, agreed that it would forward the results of its work on the consideration of commitments for subsequent periods for Parties included in Annex I to the Convention under Article 3, paragraph 9, of the Kyoto Protocol, to the Conference of the Parties serving as the meeting of the Parties to the Kyoto Protocol (CMP) at its fifth session, with a view to their adoption.¹

2. The CMP, by its decision 1/CMP.5, had 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. By its decision 1/CMP.6, paragraph 1, the CMP agreed that the AWG-KP should aim to complete its work pursuant to decision 1/CMP.1 and have its results adopted by the CMP as early as possible and in time to ensure that there is no gap between the first and second commitment periods of the Kyoto Protocol.

3. At its first meeting in 2011, the Bureau of the Conference of the Parties (COP) agreed for formal sessions of the ad hoc working groups and pre-session workshops to be held from 3 to 8 April 2011 in Bangkok, Thailand.²

III. Annotations to the provisional agenda

1. Opening of the session

4. The sixteenth session of the AWG-KP will be opened by the Chair on Tuesday, 5 April 2011, at the United Nations Conference Centre of the United Nations Economic and Social Commission for Asia and the Pacific in Bangkok, Thailand.

2. Organizational matters

(a) Adoption of the agenda

5. The provisional agenda for the session will be presented for adoption.

<i>FCCC/KP/AWG/2011/1 Provisional agenda and annotations. Note by the Executive Secretary</i>

(b) Organization of the work of the session

6. *Background:* The AWG-KP will meet in an opening plenary on Tuesday, 5 April 2011. The Chair will invite statements on behalf of groups of Parties. Delegations are requested to keep their oral statements as brief as possible and to give a hard copy to the conference officers in advance to facilitate the work of the interpreters. Those wishing to make a written statement available to all delegates should bring copies for distribution.

7. Delegates are invited to consult the note prepared by the Chair of the AWG-KP on the scenario for the sixteenth session of the AWG-KP for further information and proposals on the organization of the work of the session (FCCC/KP/AWG/2011/2).³

¹ FCCC/KP/AWG/2007/5, paragraph 22 (c).

² Additional information on the workshops can be found on the UNFCCC website: <http://unfccc.int/meetings/ad_hoc_working_groups/lca/items/4381.php>.

³ To be issued.

8. Delegates are also invited to refer to the overview of the session posted on the UNFCCC website and to consult the Daily Programme, published during the session, for a detailed and up-to-date schedule of the work of the AWG-KP.

9. The sixteenth session of the AWG-KP will be organized in accordance with the recommendations made by the Subsidiary Body for Implementation at its thirty-second session.⁴

10. *Action:* The AWG-KP will be invited to consider and agree to the proposal by the Chair on the organization of the work of the session.

FCCC/KP/AWG/2011/1	<i>Provisional agenda and annotations. Note by the Executive Secretary</i>
FCCC/KP/AWG/2011/2	<i>Scenario note on the sixteenth session. Note by the Chair</i>

(c) Election of officers

11. *Background:* At its sixth session, the CMP elected the Chair and Vice-Chair of the AWG-KP.⁵ Consultations on the election of the Rapporteur of the AWG-KP will be undertaken during the second part of the sixteenth session of the AWG-KP (June 2011), as the mandate of the present Rapporteur will expire at the end of the sixteenth session. Parties are invited to recall decision 36/CP.7 and to give active consideration to the nomination of women for elective posts in any body established under the Convention or its Kyoto Protocol.

12. Pursuant to rule 27, paragraph 5, of the draft rules of procedure being applied,⁶ the Chair of any subsidiary body other than those established by Articles 9 and 10 of the Convention shall be elected by that subsidiary body from among the representatives of the Parties present at the session, unless the COP decides otherwise. Rule 27 also provides that each subsidiary body shall elect its own Vice-Chair and Rapporteur and that the officers shall be elected with due regard to the principle of equitable geographical representation and shall not serve for more than two consecutive terms of one year. Parties are invited to recall decision 36/CP.7 and to give active consideration to the nomination of women for elective posts in any body established under the Convention or its Kyoto Protocol.

13. *Action:* Following completion of consultations, the AWG-KP will be invited to elect its Rapporteur at the second part of its sixteenth session which will take place in June 2011.

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

14. *Background:* At AWG-KP 15, the Chair presented his draft proposal to facilitate preparations for negotiations, contained in document FCCC/KP/AWG/2010/CRP.4/Rev.4, to serve as the basis for negotiations at that session.

15. The CMP, by its decision 1/CMP.6, requested the AWG-KP to continue its work on all proposals contained in document FCCC/KP/AWG/2010/18/Add.1,⁷ including work on the following issues:

- (a) Amendments to the Kyoto Protocol pursuant to its Article 3, paragraph 9;

⁴ FCCC/SBI/2010/10, paragraphs 164 and 165.

⁵ FCCC/KP/CMP/2010/12, chapter IV.

⁶ FCCC/CP/1996/2.

⁷ This document is an updated version of document FCCC/KP/AWG/2010/CRP.4/Rev.4 referred to in paragraph 14 of the present document and reflects the current state of work of the AWG-KP.

- (b) Land use, land-use change and forestry;
- (c) Emissions trading and the project-based mechanisms;
- (d) 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;
- (e) Consideration of information on potential environmental, economic and social consequences, including spillover effects, of tools, policies, measures and methodologies available to Annex I Parties.

16. The CMP, by its decision 2/CMP.6, requested the AWG-KP to continue its consideration of definitions, modalities, rules and guidelines relating to land use, land-use change and forestry activities under the Kyoto Protocol for application in the second commitment period. By the same decision, the CMP also requested the AWG-KP to consider, in time for possible inclusion in the second commitment period of the Kyoto Protocol, if appropriate, whether a cap should be applied to emissions and removals from forest management and how extraordinary occurrences (so-called force majeure) whose severity is beyond the control of, and not materially influenced by, a Party can be addressed.

17. *Action:* The AWG-KP will be invited to continue consideration of the issues listed in paragraph 15 above and further advance its work on the proposals contained in document FCCC/KP/AWG/2010/18/Add.1.

<i>FCCC/KP/AWG/2010/18/Add.1</i>	<i>Report of the Ad Hoc Working Group on Further Commitments for Annex I Parties under the Kyoto Protocol on its fifteenth session, held in Cancun from 29 November to 10 December 2010. Addendum. Revised proposal by the Chair</i>
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4. Other matters

18. Any other matters arising during the session will be taken up under this item.

5. Report on the session

19. *Background:* A draft report on the work of the sixteenth session will be prepared for adoption by the AWG-KP.

20. *Action:* The AWG-KP will be invited to adopt the draft report and authorize the Rapporteur to complete the report, under the guidance of the Chair and with the assistance of the secretariat.

Annex

Documents before the Ad Hoc Working Group on Further Commitments for Annex I Parties under the Kyoto Protocol at its sixteenth session

Documents prepared for the session

FCCC/KP/AWG/2011/1	Provisional agenda and annotations. Note by the Executive Secretary
FCCC/KP/AWG/2011/2	Scenario note on the sixteenth session. Note by the Chair

Other documents before the session

FCCC/KP/AWG/2010/18	Report of the Ad Hoc Working Group on Further Commitments for Annex I Parties under the Kyoto Protocol on its fifteenth session, held in Cancun from 29 November to 10 December 2010
FCCC/KP/AWG/2010/18/Add.1	Report of the Ad Hoc Working Group on Further Commitments for Annex I Parties under the Kyoto Protocol on its fifteenth session, held in Cancun from 29 November to 10 December 2010. Addendum. Revised proposal by the Chair.
FCCC/KP/CMP/2010/12 and Add.1	Report of the Conference of the Parties serving as the meeting of the Parties to the Kyoto Protocol on its sixth session, held in Cancun from 29 November to 10 December 2010
