

## **Ad Hoc Working Group on Long-term Cooperative Action under the Convention**

**Fifteenth session, part two**

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Agenda item 3(b)(ii)

**Nationally appropriate mitigation actions by developing country Parties  
in the context of sustainable development, supported and enabled by  
technology, financing and capacity-building, in a measurable,  
reportable and verifiable manner**

### **Submission from the African States**

1. On 28 November 2012, the secretariat received a submission from a group of Parties. The secretariat was requested to issue a conference room paper containing this submission.
2. This submission is attached and reproduced\*\* in the language in which it was received and without formal editing.<sup>1</sup>

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\* The second part of the session will be held in conjunction with the eighteenth session of the Conference of the Parties. The closing date will be determined in due course.

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<sup>1</sup> Also available at <<http://unfccc.int/bodies/awg-lca/items/4578.php>>.

Submission from the African States

**Text proposed by the Africa Group**

**Under AWGLCA agenda item 3(b) (ii) – Nationally appropriate mitigation actions by developing country Parties in the context of sustainable development, supported and enabled by technology, financing and capacity-building, in a measurable, reportable and verifiable manner**

**DRAFT DECISION ON ENHANCED MITIGATION ACTIONS BY DEVELOPING COUNTRIES**

The Conference of the Parties,

*Recalling* Article 4, paragraphs 1, 3, 5 and 7 of the Convention;

*Recalling decision* 1/CP.13 in relation to enhanced national/international action on mitigation of climate change, which in respect of developing countries is to take the form of nationally appropriate mitigation actions by developing country Parties in the context of sustainable development, supported and enabled by technology, financing and capacity-building, in a measurable, reportable and verifiable manner;

*Noting* that of the work programme agreed in decision 1/CP.16 on mitigation actions by developing countries, guidelines have been concluded on biennial update reports and international consultation and analysis; that there is ongoing negotiation on domestic verification of mitigation actions undertaken with domestic resources; that the registry was established in Cancun and agreed to be operationalised in mid-2012, but that this has not taken place; and that the mandate to develop guidelines for measurement, reporting and verification of supported actions and corresponding support<sup>1</sup> has not been concluded;

*Further recalling* decision 2/CP.17, that the registry should be developed as a dynamic, web-based platform managed by a dedicated team in the secretariat and be structured in a flexible manner that clearly reflects the full range of the diversity of nationally appropriate mitigation actions, and a range of types of support, and reaffirming the need to urgently operationalise the registry as a flexible structure to link action and support;

*Noting* the workshops held to understand the diversity of mitigation actions submitted by developing country Parties, underlying assumptions and any support needed for the implementation of these actions;

*Further noting* that, consistent with different national circumstances and the respective capabilities of developing country Parties, the information submitted included a wide range of individual nationally appropriate mitigation actions (NAMAs), across many different sectors, using a range of technologies and that assumptions reflect the differences appropriate to the national circumstances of each country, and that developing country Parties have also submitted aggregate NAMAs, expressed in terms of deviation below BAU or carbon intensity of GDP, but consistently as relative reductions, and in many cases indicated the need for support to implement such NAMAs;

*Reaffirming* the catalytic role of the Convention in encouraging multilateral bodies, the public and private sectors and civil society, building on synergies among activities and processes, as a means to support mitigation in a coherent and integrated manner;

*Reiterating* the urgent invitation to developed countries to increase their support for the preparation of the implementation of NAMAs;

*Agrees* that non-Annex I Parties shall take appropriate measures commensurate with their abilities and national circumstances, to reduce their greenhouse gases with the view to ensuring equitable access to sustainable development for developing country Parties;

1 Decides that the prototype of the registry shall be finalized within one month of COP18, including information on both NAMAs by developing countries and available for the implementation of NAMAs and the full agreed

incremental costs of implementing such measures and for the transfer of technology; requests the Secretariat to take all necessary steps to implement the registry; invites Parties to start using the registry, to further consider lessons learned from the experience gained at SBI-38 (May/June 2013) and requests the SBI to forward a draft decision to the COP at its nineteenth session, to enable the operationalisation of the registry.

2. Requests the Subsidiary Body for Scientific and Technological Advice to develop modalities for the facilitation of support through the registry, including any functional relationship with the financial mechanism;
  3. Further requests the Subsidiary Body for Scientific and Technological Advice to develop general guidelines measurement, reporting and verification of supported actions and corresponding support, the latter in consultation with the Standing Committee;
  4. Requests the secretariat, where appropriate in collaboration with intergovernmental organizations, to organize regional technical workshops and prepare technical material through a handbook to build capacity, and exchange lessons learnt, in the implementation of NAMAs;
  5. Agrees that the workshops referred to in paragraph 3 above will focus on enhancing existing capacity in developing countries, as part of the capacity-building activities to be discussed by the Capacity Building Forum and that funding for such workshops will be provided consistent with decision 13/CP.17.
  6. Decides to launch a joint work programme under the SBI and SBSTA to establish a process to promote the use of best available methodologies for the calculation of emission and reductions in emissions intensity, while fully respecting that developing countries will undertake this analysis domestically. The SBI and SBSTA shall report the outcome of the joint work programme at the twentieth session of the Conference of Parties, to enable the COP to reach a decision on this matter no later than 2014.
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