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Draft conclusions proposed by the Chair

1. The Subsidiary Body for Implementation (SBI) took note of the oral report of the Chair of the Least Developed Countries Expert Group (LEG) on the implementation of the LEG work programme for 2014–2015 and expressed its appreciation to the LEG for progress made under this work programme.¹
2. The SBI welcomed the report on the 28th meeting of the LEG,² held in Antananarivo, Madagascar, from 12 to 16 September 2015, the information paper on the NAP Expo and the regional training workshops on national adaptation plans (NAPs),³ the publications produced by the LEG under the work programme referred to in paragraph 1 above⁴ and the progress made in relation to NAP Central.
3. The SBI expressed its sincere appreciation to the LEG for the valuable guidance and support that the LEG has provided to the least developed countries (LDCs).
4. In addition, it expressed its gratitude to the following:
 - (a) The Government of Egypt, for hosting the regional training workshop on NAPs for Northern and Western African anglophone LDCs, held in Cairo, Egypt, from 27 to 31 July 2015;
 - (b) The Government of Myanmar, for hosting the regional training workshop on NAPs for the Asian region, held in Yangon, Myanmar, from 10 to 14 August 2015;

¹ Available at <unfccc.int/7984>.

² FCCC/SBI/2015/19 and Corr.1.

³ FCCC/SBI/2015/INF.14.

⁴ *Best Practices and Lessons Learned in Addressing Adaptation in Least Developed Countries, Volume 3; Information Paper on How the Process to Formulate and Implement National Adaptation Plans can be Supported in Least Developed Countries; Regional Synergy in Addressing Adaptation through the National Adaptation Programmes of Action and the Process to Formulate and Implement National Adaptation Plans in the Least Developed Countries; and Strengthening Gender Considerations in Adaptation Planning and Implementation in the Least Developed Countries*. These and other publications produced by the LEG are available at <unfccc.int/6110>.



(c) The Government of Madagascar, for hosting the regional training workshop on NAPs for African lusophone LDCs and island States, held in Antananarivo from 7 to 11 September 2015, and the 28th meeting of the LEG, referred to in paragraph 2 above;

(d) The Government of Niger, for hosting the regional training workshop on NAPs for francophone LDCs, held in Niamey, Niger, from 28 September to 2 October 2015.

5. The SBI acknowledged the benefits to LDC Parties arising from holding meetings and regional events of the LEG in LDCs and encouraged the LEG to continue this practice.

6. It expressed its gratitude to the Government of Ireland for financially supporting the work of the LEG.

7. The SBI welcomed the active engagement of the LDCs in the process to formulate and implement NAPs.

8. The SBI noted that 32 project proposals for the implementation of national adaptation programmes of action (NAPAs) and for the process to formulate NAPs, accounting for a total of USD 235.7 million, had been technically cleared by the Global Environment Facility, but, as at 30 June 2015, were awaiting funding under the Least Developed Countries Fund (LDCF).⁵

9. The SBI noted with appreciation the new pledges made by Parties to the LDCF and invited other Parties in a position to do so to contribute to the Fund, recognizing the importance of supporting the full implementation of NAPAs in addressing urgent and immediate adaptation needs, building capacity for medium- and long-term adaptation planning and implementation, and successfully undertaking the process to formulate and implement NAPs.

10. The SBI also noted with appreciation the continued active engagement and collaboration of the LEG with the Adaptation Committee and other constituted bodies under the Convention, the Nairobi work programme on impacts, vulnerability and adaptation to climate change and a wide range of relevant organizations, agencies and regional centres. It requested the LEG to continue to enhance this engagement.

⁵ FCCC/CP/2015/4.