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Revised draft conclusions proposed by the Chair

Addendum

Recommendation of the Subsidiary Body for Scientific and Technological Advice

The Subsidiary Body for Scientific and Technological Advice, at its forty-third session, recommended the following draft decision for consideration and adoption by the Conference of the Parties serving as the meeting of the Parties to the Kyoto Protocol at its eleven session:

Draft decision -/CMP.11

Technical review in 2016 of greenhouse gas inventories and initial reports for the second commitment period from Parties included in Annex I to the Convention that are also Parties to the Kyoto Protocol

The Conference of the Parties serving as the meeting of the Parties to the Kyoto Protocol,

Recalling decisions 13/CMP.1, 22/CMP.1, 2/CMP.8 and 6/CMP.9,

Emphasizing the importance of ensuring that the Conference of the Parties serving as the meeting of the Parties to the Kyoto Protocol has adequate and reliable information on annual greenhouse gas inventories from Parties included in Annex I to the Convention that are also Parties to the Kyoto Protocol (Parties included in Annex I),

Noting that owing to a delay in the availability of a functioning CRF Reporter and pending the finalization of the full set of accounting, reporting and review modalities under Articles 5, 7 and 8 of the Kyoto Protocol, Parties included in Annex I were unable to submit in 2015 some of the information required under Article 7, paragraph 1, of the Kyoto Protocol, or their reports to facilitate the calculation of the assigned amount for the second commitment period pursuant to Article 3, paragraphs 7 bis, 8 and 8 bis, of the Kyoto Protocol, and to demonstrate capacity to account for emissions and the assigned amount.¹

Also noting the revised modalities for accounting, reporting and review under Articles 5, 7 and 8 of the Kyoto Protocol for the purposes of the implementation of the second commitment period contained in decisions -/CMP.11² and -/CMP.11³,

Expressing the concern that additional work will be needed to ensure that all 2015 greenhouse gas inventories undergo the review process stipulated in decision 13/CP.20 and other relevant decisions, such as those relating to the review processes under the Kyoto Protocol, and that meeting the mandated timelines of the review process may be challenging because of this additional work,

1. *Requests* the secretariat to organize the review of the 2015 and 2016 greenhouse gas inventory submissions from Parties included in Annex I to the Convention that are also Parties to the Kyoto Protocol (Parties included in Annex I), including the review of the supplementary information submitted under Article 7, paragraph 1, of the Kyoto Protocol, in conjunction with each other and with the review of those inventory submissions under the Convention;
2. *Also requests* the secretariat to organize, in accordance with decisions 2/CMP.8 and -/CMP.11³, the review of the reports to facilitate the calculation of the assigned amount for the second commitment period in conjunction with the reviews referred to in paragraph 1 above, striving to complete each review no later than one year after the submission date of the report;
3. *Further requests* the secretariat to continue to make improvements to the CRF Reporter functionality, prioritizing the resolution of outstanding issues related to transparency and accuracy, noting that the CRF Reporter is not yet fully functioning;
4. *Invites* Parties included in Annex I that have not yet submitted their 2015 greenhouse gas inventories and supplementary information required under Article 7, paragraph 1, of the Kyoto Protocol to do so as soon as possible;
5. *Takes note* of the estimated budgetary implications of the activities to be undertaken by the secretariat pursuant to the provisions contained in paragraphs 1 and 2 above;

¹ Ukraine was the only Party in 2015 that submitted its initial report for the second commitment period (on 14 August 2015).

² Decision “Implications of the implementation of decisions 2/CMP.7 to 4/CMP.7 and 1/CMP.8 on the previous decisions on methodological issues related to the Kyoto Protocol, including those relating to Articles 5, 7 and 8 of the Kyoto Protocol, part I: implications related to accounting and reporting and other related issues” contained in document FCCC/SBSTA/2015/L.X/Add.1.

³ Decision “Implications of the implementation of decisions 2/CMP.7 to 4/CMP.7 and 1/CMP.8 on the previous decisions on methodological issues related to the Kyoto Protocol including those relating to Articles 5, 7 and 8 of the Kyoto Protocol, part II: implications related to review and adjustments and other related issues” contained in document FCCC/SBSTA/2015/L.X/Add.2.

6. *Requests* that the actions of the secretariat called for in this decision be undertaken subject to the availability of financial resources.
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