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Draft conclusions proposed by the Chairs

Recommendation of the Subsidiary Body for Scientific and Technological Advice and the Subsidiary Body for Implementation

The Subsidiary Body for Scientific and Technological Advice and the Subsidiary Body for Implementation, at their forty-fifth sessions, recommended the following draft decision for consideration and adoption by the Conference of the Parties at its twenty-second session:

Draft decision -/CP.22

Review and report of the Adaptation Committee

The Conference of the Parties,

Recalling its decision to review the progress and performance of the Adaptation Committee at its twenty-second session with a view to adopting an appropriate decision on the outcome of this review,¹

¹ Decision 2/CP.17, paragraph 119.

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Also recalling its requests for the Adaptation Committee to undertake activities in support of the Paris Agreement and the timing of their delivery,²

Acknowledging that the Adaptation Committee is in the process of implementing its 2016–2018 workplan and its significant workload,

Having reviewed the progress and performance of the Adaptation Committee,

1. *Welcomes* the report of the Adaptation Committee³ and the revised workplan of the Adaptation Committee for the period 2016–2018 contained in that report;
2. *Also welcomes* the progress made by the Adaptation Committee in the implementation of its workplan, including progress reported on enhancing overall coherence in relation to adaptation and the relevant mandates contained in decision 1/CP.21, and on its efforts to enhance its performance with the overall aim of enhancing adaptation action;
3. *Notes with appreciation* the ongoing and planned collaboration between the Adaptation Committee and other constituted bodies and institutional arrangements under the Convention, including the Least Developed Countries Expert Group, the Nairobi work programme on impacts, vulnerability and adaptation to climate change, the Technology Executive Committee, the Standing Committee on Finance, the Executive Committee of the Warsaw International Mechanism for Loss and Damage associated with Climate Change Impacts, the Adaptation Fund, the Global Environment Facility, the Green Climate Fund, the Climate Technology Centre and Network and the Paris Committee on Capacity-building, in order to enhance the process to formulate and implement national adaptation plans and actions, the implementation of the relevant mandates contained in decision 1/CP.21 and access by developing country Parties to adaptation finance, in particular from the Green Climate Fund, as appropriate;
4. *Requests* the Adaptation Committee to make use of additional modalities for responding to the relevant mandates contained in decision 1/CP.21, including engaging with the Nairobi work programme and its partner organizations, research institutions and other institutional arrangements outside the Convention;
5. *Welcomes* the two technical expert meetings on adaptation, which were organized as part of the technical examination process on adaptation,⁴ as well as the technical paper on opportunities and options for enhancing adaptation actions and supporting their implementation, reducing vulnerability and mainstreaming adaptation;⁵
6. *Also welcomes* the establishment of the Adaptation Committee's working group on the technical examination process on adaptation, consisting of members of the Standing Committee on Finance, the Technology Executive Committee, the Least Developed Countries Expert Group and observer constituencies;
7. *Requests* the Adaptation Committee, in conducting the technical examination process on adaptation, to accelerate the preparations for the 2017 technical expert meetings on adaptation, including the selection of topics;
8. *Also requests* the Adaptation Committee to ensure that the technical examination process on adaptation meets its objective of identifying concrete opportunities for strengthening resilience, reducing vulnerabilities and increasing the understanding and implementation of adaptation action, including through technical papers;

² Decision 1/CP.21, paragraphs 41, 42, 45, 124 and 126.

³ FCCC/SB/2016/2.

⁴ See <unfccc.int/9542>.

⁵ FCCC/TP/2016/6.

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9. *Concludes* the review of the progress and performance of the Adaptation Committee on the basis of the information contained in its annual reports prepared for consideration by the Conference of the Parties, through the subsidiary bodies, in the period 2012–2016;
 10. *Requests* the Adaptation Committee, as an outcome of this review, to continue with the implementation of its revised workplan, in particular by giving priority to the activities in support of the Paris Agreement, and to seek further ways to enhance its progress, effectiveness and performance;
 11. *Decides* to review the progress, effectiveness and performance of the Adaptation Committee again at the twenty-seventh session of the Conference of the Parties, with a view to adopting an appropriate decision on the outcome of that review;
 12. *Invites* Parties to submit via the submission portal,⁶ no later than three months prior to the twenty-seventh session of the Conference of the Parties, their views on the progress, effectiveness and performance of the Adaptation Committee and on the review process referred to in paragraph 11 above with a view to informing that process;
 13. *Also invites* relevant institutional arrangements under the Convention and non-Party stakeholders to further strengthen financial and technical support and capacity-building, and the consideration of projects, tools and methodologies related to enhancing economic or livelihood diversification, especially for developing countries that are particularly vulnerable to the adverse effects of climate change;
 14. *Notes with concern* the shortfall in resources available to the Adaptation Committee, the need for supplementary financial resources and the estimated budgetary implications of the activities to be undertaken by the secretariat pursuant to decision 1/CP.21;⁷
 15. *Encourages* Parties to make available sufficient resources for the successful and timely implementation of the three-year workplan of the Adaptation Committee;
 16. *Requests* that the actions of the secretariat called for in this decision, in particular in support of the revised workplan of the Adaptation Committee, be undertaken subject to the availability of financial resources.

⁶ <unfccc.int/5900>.

⁷ Information on the status of contributions is available in document FCCC/SBI/2016/INF.19 and information on budget performance in document FCCC/SBI/2016/13.