

African Group Submission on B

Draft Decision

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1. *Decides* to adopt the Agreement under the United Nations Framework Convention on Climate Change (UNFCCC), (hereinafter referred to as the Agreement) as contained in the annex to this decision;
2. *Requests* the Secretary-General of the United Nations to be the Depositary of the Agreement and to open it for signature in New York, United States of America, from [21 March 2016] to [20 March 2017];
3. *Invites* the Secretary-General to convene a high -level signature ceremony for the Agreement in early 2016;
4. *Also invites* all Parties to the Convention to sign the Agreement at the ceremony to be convened by the Secretary-General or at their earliest opportunity, and to deposit their respective instruments of ratification, acceptance or approval, or instruments of accession where appropriate, as soon as possible;
5. *Recognizes* that Parties to the Convention [may provisionally] apply the Agreement pending its entry into force, and *requests* Parties to provide notification of any such provisional application to the Depositary;
6. *Notes* that in accordance with decision 1/CP.17, paragraph 4, the work of the Ad Hoc Working Group on the Durban Platform for Enhanced Action has been [completed and decides] that it is therefore [terminated;][[continue the mandate of ADP](#)]
7. *Decides* to [[COP , SBSTA and SBI](#)] [establish an Intergovernmental Preparatory Committee (IPC)] to prepare for the entry into force of the Agreement and the convening of the first session of the Conference of the Parties serving as the meeting of the Parties to this Agreement (CMA);
Requests the [[COP](#)] IPC to[oversee]the [[implementation](#)][[compete](#)] of the work programme resulting from the relevant requests in sections III and IV of this decision[[in a balanced manner inter alia, mitigation, adaptation, finance, technology development and transfer, and capacity-building, and transparency of action and support, to facilitate the entry into force and complete its work by 2020.](#)] and [authorizes] the [IPC] to guide the work of the Subsidiary Body for Scientific and Technological Advice (SBSTA), the Subsidiary Body for Implementation (SBI) and other Convention bodies in relation to the work programme, where appropriate, and in accordance with their respective mandates;
8. *Also requests* the [[IPC](#)] to report regularly to the COP on the progress of its work;