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Matters relating to adaptation: report of the Adaptation Committee and review of the progress, effectiveness and performance of the Adaptation Committee

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Recalling decision 5/CP.22, paragraph 11, which determined that a review of the progress, effectiveness and performance of the Adaptation Committee would take place at COP 27;

Also recalling decision 2/CP.26, paragraph 8, which invited CMA 4, as provided in decision 11/CMA.1, to participate in the review as it relates to the Paris Agreement;

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- 1. Recognize the progress of the Adaptation Committee in implementing its mandate<sup>1</sup> since the review of the Committee in 2016 and its central role in promoting the implementation of enhanced action on adaptation in a coherent manner under the Convention;
- 2. Welcome the submissions from Parties on the progress, effectiveness and performance of the Adaptation Committee<sup>2</sup> and subsequent exchanges among [United Nations Framework Convention on Climate Change] Parties on this matter;
- 3. *Encourage* the Adaptation Committee to continue employing transparent and inclusive modalities of work, which include ensuring the broad engagement of observers and facilitating virtual participation in its meetings and events;
- 4. *Take note* of the progress of the Adaptation Committee in improving its outreach and communication;
- 5. [Note with appreciation the collaboration and partnerships of the Adaptation Committee with [other][UNFCCC][and PA]constituted bodies] and under institutional arrangements within and outside the UNFCCC [and the/its PA], including with [experts from the IPCC and] partner organizations of the Nairobi work programme on impacts, vulnerability and adaptation to climate change, and encourage enhancement of such collaboration and partnerships within and outside the Convention and the Paris Agreement;]
- 6. [Invite the Adaptation Committee to engage with technical experts, organizations, research institutions and institutional arrangements outside the Convention and the Paris Agreement, including the Intergovernmental Panel on Climate Change, in a geographically balanced, diverse and inclusive manner with the aim of enhancing the quality of its technical products and facilitating their uptake, as well as identifying follow-up activities arising from the findings in its technical products;]
- 7. Request the Adaptation Committee to continue conducting regular analyses and surveys relating to its technical products with a view to improving their reach and uptake;
- 8. *Invite* the Adaptation Committee to continue developing technical products, taking into account the best available science, including the key findings in the assessment reports of the Intergovernmental Panel on Climate Change, and disseminate [them][relevant products] in a manner that increases their reach in all geographical regions, including by translating them into all six official languages of the United Nations, subject to the availability of resources, and including making them available on the adaptation knowledge portal;<sup>3</sup>

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> Decision 1/CP.16, paragraph 20[and 11/CMA/1].

Available at <a href="https://www4.unfccc.int/sites/submissionsstaging/Pages/Home.aspx">https://www4.unfccc.int/sites/submissionsstaging/Pages/Home.aspx</a> (in the search field, clear tags and type "Review of the Adaptation Committee").

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>3</sup> https://www4.unfccc.int/sites/NWPStaging/Pages/Home.aspx.

9. [Encourage the Adaptation Committee to participate in and organize regional events and knowledge dialogues with a view to [enhancing the sharing of relevant information, knowledge, experiences and good practices with organizations][improving the dissemination, understanding and use of its technical products by organizations] and practitioners within and outside the UNFCCC [and the PA] process and in all geographical regions;<sup>4</sup>]

## 10.

# Option 1:

Note with concern the limited engagement of IPCC Working Group II with the Adaptation Committee in accordance with the mandate agreed, by expediting its work, to ensure delivery within the mandated time lines, on developing the draft supplementary guidance for voluntary use by Parties in communicating adaptation information in accordance with the elements contained in the annex to decision 9/CMA.3 and on producing the technical paper on methodologies for assessing adaptation needs.]

#### Option 2:

*Invite* the Adaptation Committee to continue engaging with the Intergovernmental Panel on Climate Change, including on supplementary guidance for voluntary use by Parties in communicating adaptation information and on methodologies for assessing adaptation needs:

- 11. Welcome the valuable input that the Adaptation Committee has provided through its supplementary guidance for voluntary use by Parties in communicating information in accordance with the possible elements of an adaptation communication,<sup>5</sup> and request the Adaptation Committee to consider the appropriate dissemination and communication tools and channels, including translation, for increasing Parties' use of the guidance;
- 12. Also encourage the Adaptation Committee to take into consideration all available adaptation-related reporting and communication instruments [under the UNFCCC [and the PA] [and other relevant instruments]] when implementing its function of providing technical support and guidance to the Parties with a view to facilitating the implementation of adaptation-related activities[, including addressing gender and other cross-cutting issues;<sup>6</sup>]

# 13.

## Option 1:

[Note the valuable input of the Adaptation Committee to [relevant adaptation matters.] [the Glasgow–Sharm el-Sheikh work programme on the global goal on adaptation and the global stocktake], and encourage the Adaptation Committee to include relevant follow-up activities in its flexible workplan, as appropriate;]

## Option 2:

*Note* the readiness of the Adaptation Committee to support further work arising from the outcomes of the Glasgow–Sharm el-Sheikh work programme;

## Option 3:

[Placeholder for any additional mandate to the AC as a result of COP 28]

14. [*Invite* the Adaptation Committee to consider undertaking follow-up activities-arising from the findings in its [technical products, including the] [synthesis report on lessons learned and good practices related to the efforts of developing countries in assessing and meeting the costs of adaptation,<sup>7</sup>] [and the report on how developing countries are addressing hazards] [including regional events on the applicability of the findings]];

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>4</sup> As per decisions 8/CP.27, para. 2, and 10/CMA.4, para. 2.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>5</sup> FCCC/SB/2022/5/Add.1 and Add.1/Corr.1.

 $<sup>^6\,</sup>$  As per decision 1/CP.16, para. 20(a). and 11/CMA.1

Adaptation Committee. 2022. Efforts of developing countries in assessing and meeting the costs of adaptation: Lessons learned and good practices. Synthesis report by the Adaptation Committee in the context of the recognition of adaptation efforts of developing country Parties. Bonn: UNFCCC. Available at <a href="https://unfccc.int/documents/621859">https://unfccc.int/documents/621859</a>.

- 15. *Invite* the Adaptation Committee to continue its work on the biennial synthesis reports in the context of recognizing adaptation efforts of developing countries referred to in Article 7, paragraph 3, of the Paris Agreement;<sup>8</sup>
- 16. Encourage the Adaptation Committee to consider how to facilitate the identification of solutions for addressing gaps and needs identified by Parties in adaptation communications and in the process to formulate and implement national adaptation plans that have been identified by the Least Developed Countries Expert Group and the Adaptation Committee;
- 17. [Invite the Adaptation Committee, in developing its current and future flexible workplans, to include activities relating to [locally led][the role of sub-national and non-state actors and transboundary [adaptation] [risk assessment] and to engage Parties more actively in selecting topics for technical products;]
- 18. Also invite the Adaptation Committee to continue synthesizing [and analysing] information [provided][reported] by Parties on adaptation action taken, [including in relation to the [adaptation [policy]cycle], with a view to informing future global stocktakes];
- 19. Further invite the Adaptation Committee to continue its collaboration with the Standing Committee on Finance, including on the work on the doubling of adaptation finance.<sup>9</sup>
- 20. [Note with concern the shortfall in resources available to the Adaptation Committee and the need for supplementary financial resources;]
- 21. [Encourage][Urge] [developed][country] Parties to [scale up] [make available] sufficient resources for the successful and timely implementation of the flexible workplan of the Adaptation Committee for 2022–2024.<sup>10</sup>

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- 22. Welcome the annual report of the Adaptation Committee;<sup>11</sup>
- 23. Also welcome the progress of the Adaptation Committee in implementing its flexible workplan for 2022–2024;<sup>12</sup>
- 24. *Invite* relevant UNFCCC constituted bodies, Parties and non-Party stakeholders, as appropriate, to apply any relevant findings from the outputs of the Adaptation Committee's workplan in their work, including from:
- (a) The reference paper<sup>13</sup> that compiles existing methodologies for reviewing the adequacy and effectiveness of adaptation and support provided for adaptation, prepared by the Adaptation Committee and the Least Developed Countries Expert Group in collaboration with the Standing Committee on Finance;<sup>14</sup>
- (b) The technical paper on monitoring and evaluating adaptation at the national and subnational level:<sup>15</sup>

9 See decision 1/CMA.3, para. 18, and UNFCCC SCF. 2023. Report on the doubling of adaptation finance. Bonn: UNFCCC. Available at <a href="https://unfccc.int/sites/default/files/resource/231120%20BLS23393%20UCC%20Adaptation%20Finance%20v04.pdf">https://unfccc.int/sites/default/files/resource/231120%20BLS23393%20UCC%20Adaptation%20Finance%20v04.pdf</a>? gl=1\*1ttvebh\* ga\*MTU5MDMwNDE5NS4xNjgwMjcwOTE2\* ga 7ZZWT14N79\*MTcwMTU3NTczMS40NzUuMS4xNzAxNTc2NTIwLjAuMC4w.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>8</sup> Decision 11/CMA.1, para 13.

 $<sup>{\</sup>color{red}^{10}} \ \underline{\text{https://unfccc.int/process/bodies/constituted-bodies/adaptation-committee-ac/workplan.}}$ 

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>11</sup> FCCC/SB/2023/5.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>12</sup> FCCC/SB/2021/6, annex.

Adaptation Committee, Least Developed Countries Expert Group and Standing Committee on Finance. 2023. Methodologies for reviewing the adequacy and effectiveness of adaptation and support. Reference paper. Bonn: UNFCCC. Available at <a href="https://unfccc.int/process-and-meetings/bodies/constituted-bodies/adaptation-committee-ac/publications-bulletin/methodologies-for-reviewing-the-adequacy-and-effectiveness-of-adaptation-and-support-reference-paper.">https://unfccc.int/process-and-meetings/bodies/constituted-bodies/adaptation-committee-ac/publications-bulletin/methodologies-for-reviewing-the-adequacy-and-effectiveness-of-adaptation-and-support-reference-paper.</a>

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>14</sup> In response to decision 11/CMA.1, para. 35.

Adaptation Committee. 2023. Monitoring and evaluation of adaptation at the national and subnational levels. Technical paper. Bonn: UNFCCC. Available at <a href="https://unfccc.int/node/632792">https://unfccc.int/node/632792</a>.

- (c) The policy brief on progress, good practices and lessons learned in prioritizing and incorporating gender-responsive adaptation action;<sup>16</sup>
- 25. Appreciate the continued efforts of the Adaptation Committee to promote the implementation of enhanced action on adaptation in a coherent manner, including in collaboration with other stakeholders such as other constituted bodies and partners of the Nairobi work programme on impacts, vulnerability and adaptation to climate change;
- 26. Encourage the Adaptation Committee to continue engaging in regional work;
- 27. Also invite the Adaptation Committee to continue its work on the "State of Adaptation", focusing on synthesizing information reported by Parties on adaptation action taken;
- 28. [Further invite the Adaptation Committee to continue its efforts to address the capacity-building gaps of developing countries in accessing adaptation finance, including at the regional level].

Adaptation Committee. 2023. Progress, good practices and lessons learned in prioritizing and incorporating gender-responsive adaptation action. Policy brief. Bonn: UNFCCC. Available at <a href="https://unfccc.int/node/632770">https://unfccc.int/node/632770</a>.