DECISION ON RESOLUTION OF THE QUESTION OF IMPLEMENTATION WITH RESPECT TO LIECHTENSTEIN

Party concerned: Liechtenstein

In accordance with the "Procedures and mechanisms relating to compliance under the Kyoto Protocol", contained in the annex to decision 27/CMP.1 (procedures and mechanisms)¹ and the "Rules of procedure of the Compliance Committee of the Kyoto Protocol" (rules of procedure),² the enforcement branch adopts the following decision.

I. BACKGROUND

- 1. The final decision of the enforcement branch taken on 4 February 2025 (document CC-2024-1-6/Liechtenstein/EB) confirmed its preliminary finding of 31 October 2024 and gave effect to the consequences outlined in paragraph 18, subparagraphs (a) to (c), of the preliminary finding of the branch (contained in document CC-2024-1-3/Liechtenstein/EB and annexed to the final decision). According to paragraph 18 (b) of the preliminary finding, Liechtenstein was to develop a compliance action plan referred to in paragraph 5 of section XV, in accordance with the substantive requirements of paragraph 6 of section XV and paragraph 1 of rule 25 bis of the rules of procedure; submit it within three months to the enforcement branch in accordance with paragraph 6 of section XV; and report on the progress of its implementation in accordance with paragraph 7 of section XV.
- 2. In accordance with paragraph 6 of section XV and paragraph 2 of rule 25 bis of the rules of procedure, the enforcement branch reviewed and assessed the "Action plan to address non-compliance with the Kyoto Protocol (Second Commitment Period)" submitted by Liechtenstein on 7 May 2025 (document CC-2024-1-7/Liechtenstein/EB, hereinafter referred to as the "plan") and adopted a decision on the review and assessment of the plan on 2 June 2025. The review and assessment were conducted by electronic means as provided under paragraph 2 of rule 11 of the rules of procedure.
- 3. In its decision, the branch found that the plan sets out and adequately addresses each of the elements specified in paragraph 6 of section XV and paragraph 1 of rule 25 bis of the rules of procedure; and if implemented, is expected to remedy the non-compliance.⁵
- 4. Further, in this decision, the branch invited Liechtenstein to submit the first progress report on the implementation of the plan at its earliest convenience, preferably by 16 June 2025. Liechtenstein submitted said progress report on 16 June 2025.
- 5. At its 41st meeting, held on 23 June 2025, the branch considered the first progress report prepared by Liechtenstein. The branch also heard directly from the representatives of Liechtenstein who were present at the meeting.

⁴ Compliance Committee document CC-2024-1-8/Liechtenstein/EB.

⁶ Compliance Committee document <u>CC-2024-1-9/Liechtenstein/EB</u>.

All section references in this document refer to sections in the "Procedures and mechanisms relating to compliance under the Kyoto Protocol" (annex to decision <u>27/CMP.1</u>).

Decision 4/CMP.2 as amended by decisions 4/CMP.4, 8/CMP.9 and 6/CMP.17. An informal consolidated version of the Committee's rules of procedure is available at: https://unfccc.int/sites/default/files/resource/Consolidated RoP of the KPCC 2022.pdf

³ See footnote 1 above.

⁵ Ibid., para. 8.

- 6. After deliberating on the progress made by Liechtenstein, the branch expressed satisfaction with the implementation by Liechtenstein of its plan so far and welcomed the successful completion of its planned measures related to capacity-building, knowledge management and administrative processes.⁷
- 7. Furthermore, the branch decided on the following:
 - (a) With regard to the operational processes, the branch requested Liechtenstein to closely coordinate with the administrator of the International Transaction Log (ITL) to achieve the completion of the redress measures.
 - (b) To make this effective, the branch decided to invite, on an exceptional basis, the administrator of the ITL to facilitate retirement by Liechtenstein of the equivalent of 1 558 777 Kyoto Protocol units and to allow Liechtenstein, on an exceptional basis, to execute the retirement of the required available Kyoto Protocol units.
 - (c) Furthermore, the branch requested Liechtenstein to report back to the branch once the retirement was successfully completed but, in any case, no later than by 11 August 2025.⁸
- 8. Liechtenstein submitted its second progress report on 25 August 2025.9
- 9. At its 42nd meeting, on 10 September 2025, the branch considered the second progress report by Liechtenstein on the implementation of its compliance action plan as well as latest updates on the matter provided by the Party concerned and the secretariat. Liechtenstein elaborated on the measures taken and assured its commitment to the continuous enhancement of its capacities.

II. INFORMATION SUBMITTED, PRESENTED AND CONSIDERED

- 10. According to the table in second progress report of Liechtenstein, in the area of capacity-building, including staff training, peer group exchanges and similar measures, most of these were completed in 2024 or ongoing. The last measure scheduled were the training sessions that, as outlined in the progress report and confirmed by Liechtenstein during the 42nd meeting of the branch, were completed at the end of August 2025.
- 11. With regard to the measures relating to knowledge management and administrative processes, the second progress report further complemented the first report and what was presented to the branch at its 41st meeting. These included measures that have been ongoing, as they that are of a continuous nature, as well as further measures, such as the finalization of the standard operating procedures, which was completed by 10 September 2025 as indicated in the progress report and confirmed by Liechtenstein in the meeting.
- 12. Finally, with regard to the operational processes, at its 42nd meeting, the branch was informed that the retirement by Liechtenstein of the required amount of Kyoto Protocol units was successfully carried out, on an exceptional basis, on 9 September 2025, in line with the decision of the branch at its 41st meeting.¹⁰

III. REASONS AND CONCLUSIONS

13. The enforcement branch, having considered the first and second progress reports on the implementation of the compliance action plan referred to in paragraph 5 of section XV that were submitted and presented by Liechtenstein at the 41st and 42nd meetings of the branch:

⁷ Report on the forty-first meeting (<u>CC/EB/41/2025/2</u>), para. 10.

⁸ Ibid., paras. 11–13.

⁹ Compliance Committee document CC-2024-1-10/Liechtenstein/EB.

¹⁰ See paragraph 7 above.

- (a) expresses satisfaction with the implementation by Liechtenstein of its plan and welcomed the successful completion of its planned measures related to capacity-building, knowledge management, administrative and operational processes;
- (b) notes that the retirement by Liechtenstein of the required amount of Kyoto Protocol units was successfully carried out, on an exceptional basis, on 9 September 2025, in line with the decision of the branch at its 41st meeting;
- (c) concludes that there no longer continues to be a question of implementation with respect to Liechtenstein.

IV. DECISION

14. In accordance with the procedures and mechanisms, the enforcement branch decides that there no longer continues to be a question of implementation with respect to Liechtenstein.

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Members participating in the adoption of this decision:

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This decision was adopted by consensus in Bonn on 22 September 2025.¹¹

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¹¹ In a written procedure using electronic means as provided under paragraph 2 of rule 11 of the rules of procedure.