Common time frames for nationally determined contributions referred to in Article 4, paragraph 10, of the Paris Agreement

**Option 1**

- (5 years): *Decides* that common time frames referred to in Article 4, paragraph 10, of the Paris Agreement for nationally determined contributions communicated in accordance with Article 4, paragraph 9, shall be five years.

- (10 years): *Decides* that common time frames referred to in Article 4, paragraph 10, of the Paris Agreement for nationally determined contributions communicated in accordance with Article 4, paragraph 9, shall be ten years.

- (5 and 10 years): *Decides* that common time frames referred to in Article 4, paragraph 10, of the Paris Agreement for nationally determined contributions communicated in accordance with Article 4, paragraph 9, shall be five or ten years.

**Option 2**

1. Decides that common time frames referred to in Article 4, paragraph 10, of the Paris Agreement for nationally determined contributions communicated in accordance with Article 4, paragraph 9, shall be five years between the end points of two successive NDCs.

2. Further decides that Parties should communicate two successive nationally determined contributions, starting in 2025[, with starting points of 1 January 2031 and 1 January 2036 respectively and ending in 2040];

   **suboption 2.1**

   3. [Urges Parties to][Decides that Parties shall] communicate and update their nationally determined contributions in 2025 [with starting points of 1 January 2031 and 1 January 2036 respectively] and every five years thereafter, consistent with progression;

   **suboption 2.2**

   3. Urges each Party to communicate by 2025 a nationally determined contribution with a time frame up to 2035 or 2040 including an indicative waypoint in years ending in 0 and 5.

**Option 3**

**Draft Decision -/CMA.X**

Common time frames for nationally determined contributions referred to in Article 4, Paragraph 10 of the Paris Agreement

*The Conference of the Parties serving as the meeting of the Parties to the Paris Agreement,*

*Recalling* the relevant provisions of the Paris Agreement, in particular its Article 4, paragraphs 9 and 10,

*Also recalling* the relevant paragraphs of decision 1/CP.21, in particular its paragraphs 22-25,

1. *Welcomes* the progress made in the consideration of common time frames for nationally
determined contributions referred to in Article 4, paragraph 10 of the Paris Agreement (hereinafter referred to as “common time frames”) by the Conference of the Parties serving as the meeting of the Parties to this Agreement at its first session;

2. **Recalls** decision 6/CMA.1, paragraph 2, which provides that Parties shall apply common time frames to their nationally determined contributions to be implemented from 2031 onwards;

3. **Invites** each Party to communicate by 2025 a nationally determined contribution with a time frame up to 2035 or 2040;

4. **Requests**:
   (a) those Parties whose nationally determined contributions contain a time frame up to 2035 to communicate by 2030 their respective new nationally determined contributions with a time frame up to 2040; and
   (b) those Parties whose nationally determined contributions contain a time frame up to 2040 to communicate or update by 2030 these nationally determined contributions;

5. **Requests** the Subsidiary Body for Implementation at its [X] session, to consider common time frames for nationally determined contributions to be implemented from 2041 onwards, with a view to making a recommendation for consideration by the Conference of the Parties serving as the meeting of the Parties to the Paris Agreement at its [Y] session (month year);

**Option 4**

**Draft Decision -/CMA.X**

**Common time frames for nationally determined contributions referred to in Article 4, Paragraph 10 of the Paris Agreement**

*The Conference of the Parties serving as the meeting of the Parties to the Paris Agreement,*

**Recalling** the relevant provisions of the Paris Agreement, in particular its Article 4, paragraphs 9 and 10,

**Also recalling** the relevant paragraphs of decision 1/CP.21, in particular its paragraphs 22-25,

**Decides** that common time frames referred to in Article 4, paragraph 10, of the Paris Agreement for nationally determined contributions communicated in accordance with Article 4, paragraph 9, shall be [5][10][5 and 10] years.

**Further decides** that Parties whose nationally determined contributions contain a 10-year time frame shall include an indicative waypoint at the 5-year mark;

**Recalls** decision 6/CMA.1, paragraph 2, which provides that Parties shall apply common time frames to their nationally determined contributions to be implemented from 2031 onward.

**Requests** the Subsidiary Body for Implementation at its [xx] session, to continue its consideration of the common time frames for nationally determined contributions with a view to making a recommendation for consideration by the Conference of the Parties serving as the meeting of the Parties to the Paris Agreement at its [3rd][4th] session (month year);
Option 5

(5 plus 5 years with most recent information): Decides that common time frames referred to in Article 4, paragraph 10, of the Paris agreement for nationally determined contributions communicated in accordance with Article 4, paragraph 9, shall be five plus five years. Parties shall communicate NDCs for the immediate five year period (whose implementation starts within 9 to 18 months of the communication) as well as for the subsequent five year period.

Option 6

1. Reiterates the request:
   
   (a) to those Parties whose intended nationally determined contribution pursuant to decision 1/CP.20 contains a time frame up to 2025 to communicate by 2020 a new nationally determined contribution and to do so every five years thereafter pursuant to Article 4, paragraph 9, of the Paris Agreement;
   
   (b) to those Parties whose intended nationally determined contribution pursuant to decision 1/CP.20 contains a time frame up to 2030 to communicate or update by 2020 the contribution and to do so every five years thereafter pursuant to Article 4, paragraph 9, of the Paris Agreement;

   suboption 6.1

   2. Invites each Party to communicate by 2025 a nationally determined contribution with a time frame up to 2030, 2035 or 2040, and to do so every five years, unless otherwise decided by the Party.

   suboption 6.2

   2. Invites each Party to communicate by 2025 a nationally determined contribution with a time frame up to [X], unless the Party concerned decides otherwise on timeframes.

   suboption 6.3

   2. Invites each Party to communicate by 2025 a new nationally determined contribution.

Option 7

Recalling decision 6/CMA.1

Noting that the timeframes of domestic policies and measures, as well as planning processes, respond to national circumstances and legislation

1. Reaffirms that Parties shall apply common time frames to their nationally determined contributions to be implemented from 2031 onwards;

2. Invites each Party to communicate such NDCs by 2025, informed by the 2023 Global Stocktake.

   suboption 7.1

   3. Agrees that the NDCs referred above will have a time frame up to 2035.

   4. Parties may further include an [indicative] 2040 target.

   suboption 7.2

   3. Agrees that the NDCs referred above will have a time frame up to 2035 or 2040
4. Should a Party communicate a NDC with a time frame up to 2040, such a Party shall include an [indicative] 2035 target [and][or] adjust its NDC by 2030, informed by the 2028 GST].

Suboption 7.3

3. Agrees that the NDCs referred above will have a time frame up to 2040.
4. [Invites the CMA to reconsider the periodicity of the Global Stocktake.]

Option 8

1. Requests those Parties whose nationally determined contribution contains a time frame up to 2025 to communicate by 2020 a nationally determined contribution with a starting point of 1 January 2026 and a time frame up to 2030.
2. Requests all Parties to communicate by 2025 a nationally determined contribution with a starting point of 1 January 2031 and a time frame up to 2035, and to do so every five years thereafter.

Option 9

1. **Decides** that common time frames referred to in Article 4, paragraph 10, of the Paris Agreement for nationally determined contributions communicated in accordance with Article 4, paragraph 9, shall be five years between the end points of two successive NDCs.
2. **Further decides** that Parties should communicate two successive nationally determined contributions, starting in 2025, with starting points of 1 January 2031 and 1 January 2036 respectively;
3. **Urges** Parties to communicate and update their nationally determined contributions in 2025 and every five years thereafter, consistent with progression;

Option 10

1. **Requests** all Parties by 2025 to communicate 2035 NDCs informed by the 2023 global stock take, and to do so every 5 years thereafter.

ANNEX I

Parties expressed a range of proposals regarding which particular session of the CMA would consider and adopt a decision on common time frames applicable to the nationally determined contributions to be implemented from 2031 onward. Some of the proposals expressed at SBI 51 include:

- There is no need to designate a specific session for adopting the decision.
- The third session (November 2020).
- The fourth session (November 2021).
- The sixth session (December 2023) at the latest.
- A CMA session to be decided at SBI 52 (June 2019).
ANNEX II

One Party indicated that Article 4 of the Paris Agreement does not refer to Parties ‘updating’ their NDCs but only to ‘adjusting’ their NDCs with a view to enhancing their levels of ambition, as provided in Article 4, paragraph 11, of the Paris Agreement.