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Reporting from Parties not included in Annex I to the Convention
Provision of financial and technical support

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Draft conclusions proposed by the Chair

1. The Subsidiary Body for Implementation (SBI) welcomed the information provided by the Global Environment Facility (GEF), in its report to the Conference of the Parties at its twenty-seventh session,¹ on:

(a) Operationalization of the Capacity-building Initiative for Transparency (CBIT), including its programming and implementation modalities, and the voluntary contributions pledged by several countries;

(b) Financial support requested, approved and provided for the preparation of national communications (NCs) and biennial update reports (BURs) by Parties not included in Annex I to the Convention, including support provided through the CBIT Global Coordination Platform.²

2. The SBI also welcomed the increase in the allocation to the climate change focal area set-aside for enabling activities, including the CBIT, from USD 110 million in the seventh GEF replenishment cycle to USD 145 million in the eighth.³

3. The SBI underscored the importance of providing adequate and predictable financial and technical support to developing country Parties to meet their measurement, reporting and verification requirements under the Convention, build and enhance their institutional and technical capacity on a continuous basis, and participate in the international consultation and analysis process.

4. The SBI noted the importance of providing timely responses to requests from developing country Parties and, recalling paragraphs 8–9 of decision 10/CP.23, encouraged the GEF to provide adequate support for reporting under the Convention to assist developing country Parties in submitting requests and to further consider ways to improve its access modalities for developing country Parties seeking such support.

5. [Noting the improved procedures of the GEF for providing support to developing country Parties and recalling paragraph 4 of decision 13/CP.25, the SBI noted the invitation to the GEF and its implementing agencies to continue efforts to minimize the time between approval of project concepts, the development and approval of the related projects for preparing NCs and BURs, and the disbursement of funds.] [The SBI recommended that the Conference of the Parties encourage the GEF, Parties and implementing agencies to work collaboratively to ensure that such support is delivered in a timely manner, and noted the request to the GEF to continue to facilitate improved access to the CBIT by developing country Parties .⁴]

6. The SBI also noted the efforts of the GEF to improve and streamline its application process for preparation of reports under the Convention and highlighted the importance of continuing such efforts.

7. The SBI noted that, as at 11 November 2022, 419 NCs (i.e. 154 first, 145 second, 96 third, 20 fourth, 3 fifth and 1 sixth NC) and 154 BURs (i.e. 82 first, 37 second, 24 third, 10 fourth and 1 fifth BUR) had been submitted by Parties not included in Annex I to the

¹ FCCC/CP/2022/5.

² See also document FCCC/SBI/2022/INF.15.

³ See document FCCC/CP/2022/5, annex, table 13.

⁴ See decision 12/CMA.3, para. 5.

Convention, with the submission of an additional 7 third and 15 fourth NCs, and 17 first, 2 second, 1 third, 1 fourth and 1 fifth BURs, expected by the end of 2022.⁵

⁵ Lists of the developing country Parties that have submitted NCs and BURs are available at <https://unfccc.int/non-annex-I-NCs> and <https://unfccc.int/BURs> respectively.