

BOLIVIA'S REQUEST OF INCLUSION OF ADDITIONAL AGENDA ITEMS

Dear Patricia Espinoza

Executive Secretary UNFCCC

Dear Executive Secretary:

Following Rule 10(d) of the Rules of Procedures of the UNFCCC, Bolivia requests the secretariat to incorporate in the agenda of the UNFCCC COP 26 an item on “*Equitable, fair, ambitious and urgent real emission reductions now consistent with a trajectory to reduce the temperature below 1.5°C*” under Art. 4 of the United Nations Framework Convention on Climate Change. This request ratifies, and stands in line, with the Submissions of the Plurinational State of Bolivia on a call for urgent and equitable action to halt the climate collapse and restore balance with Mother Earth.

Bolivia also requests to include in COP 26 an agenda item on “*All matters of adaptation*” under article 7 of the Paris Agreement, in order to articulate all agenda items that are dealing with adaptation and to provide coherence over the broad matters of adaptation.

Furthermore, Bolivia requests to include in CMA3 an agenda item on “*stocktake on financial support and means of implementation for alternative policy approaches such as joint mitigation and adaptation approaches for the integral and sustainable management of forests*”, under article 5 of the Paris Agreement, and in accordance to decisions 7/CP.19 (Art. 11), 7/CP.21 (Art. 25), 9/CP.19 (Art. 8 y 20).

Sincerely yours

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BACKGROUND FOR ITEMS IN THE ANNOTATED PROVISIONAL AGENDA

Equitable, fair, ambitious and urgent real emission reductions now consistent with a trajectory to keep the temperature below 1.5°C

Background: According to scientific reports, there is an important emission gap to achieve a trajectory consistent to keep 1.5°C within reach.

In accordance with Article 3, paragraph 1 of the Convention, developed country parties should take the lead in combating climate change and the adverse effects thereof, consistent with the principles of equity and common but differentiated responsibilities and respective capabilities.

Article 4, paragraph 2(d), of the Convention provides for a review of the adequacy of Article 4, paragraph 2(a) and (b) at regular intervals determined by the COP, until the objective of the Convention is met.

Action: The COP will be invited to consider this item and to take any action it deems appropriate for the establishment of developed countries' equitable, fair, ambitious and urgent mitigation measures for the period 2023—2030, consistent with a trajectory to keep the temperature 1.5°C within reach.

All matters of adaptation

Background: There is a need to coherently implement the Convention and the Paris Agreement within the stream of Adaptation. Increasing thematic areas that deal with action, reporting, tracking progress, and means of implementation for adaptation have appeared and spread out among the different bodies and agenda items.

The Article 7 of the Paris Agreement frames the global goal on adaptation of enhancing adaptive capacity, strengthening resilience and reducing vulnerability to climate change. It pose different technical and political challenges in defining and operationalizing the GGA. It demands methodologies, information, and action that will depend of the work among the different bodies working to implement both the Convention and the Paris Agreement.

Adaptation issues in the SBSTA includes the Nairobi Work Program on impacts, vulnerability and adaptation to climate change (Item 3 of the DPA) and Report of the Adaptation Committee (Item 4 of the DPA). The SBI includes National Adaptation Plans (Item 12 of the DPA) and matters relating to the adaptation fund (Item 14 of the PA), among others.

There are a number of technical issues dealing among the Adaptation Committee that will contribute to the reporting, tracking progress and means to close the gaps related to finance on adaptation, among others. Required coherence with the needs addressed by specific bodies and institutions within the process and the tools and methodologies available to access, track and report finance on adaptation are needed to counter-balance the unequal treatment of adaptation vs mitigation.

Furthermore, Article 9.4 of the Paris Agreement states that adaptation finance is needed from public and grant-based resources in a scaled-up provision to developing country Parties, hence modalities, provisions and guidelines are yet to be discussed in line of the further achievement of the GGA.

Action: The COP will be invited to discuss and take decisions on all matters of adaptation in an integrated and articulated manner in the context of the global goal on adaptation, global stocktake, transparency and finance, and to take any action it deems appropriate.

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Stocktake on financial support and means of implementation for alternative policy approaches such as joint mitigation and adaptation approaches for the integral and sustainable management of forests

Background: The Article 5 of the Paris Agreement encourages to implement and support results-based payments and alternative policy approaches, such as joint mitigation and adaptation approaches for the integral and sustainable management of forests.

COP decisions have agreed on issues of support to alternative policy approaches such as joint mitigation and adaptation approaches for the integral and sustainable management of forests, such as the following decisions: Art. 11 of decision 7/CP.19; Art. 25 of decision 7/CP.21; and Articles 8 and 20 of decision 9/CP.19.

Action: The COP will request the Green Climate Fund (GCF), the Standing Committee of Finance (SCF), and other mechanisms and financial entities of the Convention to present a report on the fulfillment of approved COP/CMA decisions to support alternative policy approaches such as joint mitigation and adaptation approaches for the integral and sustainable management of forests. The CMA Parties will be invited to assess those reports and to take any action it deems appropriate.