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**Development of modalities and procedures for the operation and use of a public registry referred to in Article 7, paragraph 12, of the Paris Agreement**

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**Draft decision -/CMA.1**

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

*Recalling Article 7, paragraphs 11 and 12, of the Paris Agreement,*

*Option A for paragraph 1*

1. *Decides* to establish the public registry for adaptation communications referred to in Article 7, paragraph 12, of the Paris Agreement;

*1. bis Option 1: Also decides* that the public registry referred to in paragraph 1 above will contain the adaptation communications submitted by Parties as a component of or in conjunction with other communications or documents, including a national adaptation plan, a nationally determined contribution and/or a national communication, as referred to in Article 7, paragraph 11, of the Paris Agreement;

*1. bis Option 2: Also decides* that the public registry referred to in paragraph 1 above will contain the adaptation communications submitted by Parties and, as appropriate, direct hyperlinks to adaptation communications submitted as a component of or in conjunction with other communications or documents, including a national adaptation plan, a nationally determined contribution and/or a national communication, as referred to in Article 7, paragraph 11, of the Paris Agreement;

*1. bis Option 3: Also decides* that the public registry referred to in paragraph 1 above shall be maintained by the secretariat together with the public registry referred to in Article 4, paragraph 12, of the Paris Agreement as a public registry with two parts, comprising adaptation communications and nationally determined contributions, respectively; the section on adaptation communications will contain hyperlinks to adaptation communications submitted as a component of or in conjunction with other communications or documents, including a national adaptation plan, a nationally determined contribution and/or a national communication, as referred to in Article 7, paragraph 11, of the Paris Agreement;

*1. bis Option 4: No text;*

*End of option A*

*Option B for paragraph 1*

1. *Decides* to designate [the public registry referred to in Article 4, paragraph 12, of the Paris Agreement] [<any of the existing web platforms or registries maintained by the secretariat for national adaptation plans, national communications and nationally determined contributions>] as the public registry referred to in Article 7, paragraph 12, of the Paris Agreement;

*End of option B*

2. *Option 1: Adopts* the modalities and procedures for the operation and use of the public registry referred to in paragraph 1 above as contained in the annex;

~~*Option 2: Also decides* that the modalities and procedures for the operation and use of a public registry referred to in Article 4, paragraph 12, of the Paris Agreement (as referred to in decision /CMA.[x])<sup>1</sup> shall be applied as the modalities and procedures for the operation and use of the public registry referred to in paragraph 1 above;~~

*Option 2:* No text on modalities and procedures;

*Option A for paragraph 3*

3. *Requests* the secretariat to develop the public registry for adaptation communications referred to in paragraph 1 above by the fiftieth session of the Subsidiary Body for Implementation (June 2019) [in accordance with the modalities and procedures referred to in paragraph 2 above];

*3. bis Also requests* the Subsidiary Body for Implementation to review and update the modalities and procedures for the operation and use of the public registry referred to in paragraph 1 above at its **XX** session (**Month, Year**), and every five years thereafter, with a view to making a recommendation for consideration and adoption by the Conference of the Parties serving as the meeting of the Parties to the Paris Agreement at its subsequent sessions;

*End of option A*

*Option B for paragraph 3*

3. *Requests* the secretariat to develop a prototype of the public registry referred to in paragraph 1 above by the fiftieth session of the Subsidiary Body for Implementation (June 2019) in conformity with the modalities and procedures referred to in paragraph 2 above, **in order to present the prototype to Parties for their consideration**, with a view to the Conference of the Parties serving as the meeting of the Parties to the Paris Agreement determining at its second session (November 2019) if the prototype shall serve as the public registry referred to in Article 7, paragraph 12, of the Paris Agreement;

*End of option B*

*Option C:* No text;

4. *Takes note* of the estimated budgetary implications of the activities to be undertaken by the secretariat referred to in paragraph[s] [X] above.

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<sup>1</sup> Draft decision proposed under agenda item 6 of the Subsidiary Body for Implementation.

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**Annex**

**Modalities and procedures for the operation and use of a public registry referred to in Article 7, paragraph 12, of the Paris Agreement**

**I. Modalities for the operation of the public registry**

1. The public registry referred to in Article 7, paragraph 12, of the Paris Agreement:

(a) Presents the recorded adaptation communications in tabular format, with one row for each adaptation communication and columns displaying, as appropriate, name of Party, document title, document type, hyperlinks to corresponding documents, version number, status, language and date of submission;

(b) Provides the flexibility for each Party to submit its adaptation communication in the way it wishes;

(c) Has the capability of sorting, recording and displaying adaptation communications, for example, alphabetically, chronologically [, by region] [, by Parties included in Annex I to the Convention or by Parties not included in Annex I to the Convention];

(d) Preserves the integrity of the adaptation communications in accordance with their national determination nature;

(e) Avoids unauthorized access to or alteration of its content;

(f) Ensures user-friendly navigation to and between relevant registries and other web resources;

(g) Utilizes relevant web tools (e.g. RSS (a system for distributing content to Internet users)) to notify users of new and modified registry content;

(h) Constitutes an intuitive, easy-to-use web-based platform;

(i) Provides a user-friendly interface in all six official languages of the United Nations.

**II. Procedures for the use of the public registry**

**A. Submission of adaptation communications**

2. The national focal point of each Party [submits the Party's adaptation communication by uploading it to the web-based platform, or by informing] [informs] the secretariat of the vehicle used as the adaptation communication using its unique user account for the public registry.

3. *Option 1:* Parties submit their adaptation communication as an extract from their national adaptation plan, national communication or nationally determined contribution, or as a document submitted as part of, or in conjunction with, any vehicle the Party may choose.

*Option 2:* The public registry contains adaptation communications submitted as stand-alone documents only and hyperlinks to adaptation communications submitted in any other vehicle.

4. The secretariat:
  - (a) Provides each Party with a unique user account for the public registry;
  - (b) Undertakes a completeness and Internet security check of all submitted adaptation communications before recording them in the public registry;
  - (c) Provides technical assistance to Parties for uploading adaptation communications to the public registry, as required.

## **B. Maintaining [a record of?] adaptation communications**

5. The public registry constitutes an archive and maintains all previously submitted adaptation communications as a matter of public record. Parties may, with the assistance of the secretariat, replace or delete previously submitted adaptation communications.

## **C. Access to adaptation communications**

6. Parties, non-State actors, other stakeholders and the public can [search], view and read adaptation communications on and download them from the public registry.
7. Adaptation communications submitted by Parties are made available in different file sizes and resolutions for easy download in countries with slow Internet speed or otherwise limited capability for downloading files from the public registry.

## **III. Roles**

8. The national focal point of each Party manages the Party's interaction with the secretariat regarding the adaptation communication in the public registry.
9. The national focal point of each Party is assigned a unique user account to manage the Party's content in the public registry.
10. The secretariat communicates with and provides assistance to Parties using the public registry, including through a user guide, training programmes and online support.