Decision -/CMA.1

Identification of the information to be provided by Parties in accordance with Article 9, paragraph 5, of the Paris Agreement

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

Recalling Articles 4 and 11 of the Convention,

Also recalling Article 9, paragraphs 1–5, of the Paris Agreement,

Further recalling Articles 3, 4, 7, 10, 11 and 14 of the Paris Agreement,

Recalling decisions 3/CP.19, 1/CP.21, 13/CP.22 and 12/CP.23,

Underscoring the need for continued and enhanced international support for the implementation of the Paris Agreement,

1. Recognizes the importance of predictability and clarity of information on financial support for the implementation of the Paris Agreement;

2. Reiterates that developed country Parties shall biennially communicate indicative quantitative and qualitative information related to Article 9, paragraphs 1 and 3, of the Paris Agreement, as applicable, including, as available, projected levels of public financial resources to be provided to developing country Parties. Other Parties providing resources are encouraged to communicate biennially such information on a voluntary basis;

3. Underlines the importance of Article 9, paragraphs 1 and 3, of the Paris Agreement on this matter;

4. Requests developed country Parties to submit the biennial communications referred to in paragraph 2 above and as specified in the annex, starting in 2020;

5. Encourages other Parties providing resources to communicate biennially, as referred to in paragraph 2 above, on a voluntary basis;

6. Requests the secretariat to establish a dedicated online portal for posting and recording the biennial communications;

7. Also requests the secretariat to prepare a compilation and synthesis of the information included in the biennial communications, referred to in paragraph 2 above, starting in 2021, and to inform the global stocktake;

8. Further requests the secretariat to organize biennial in-session workshops beginning the year after the submission of the first biennial communications referred to in paragraph 2 above, and to prepare a summary report on each workshop;

9. Decides to consider the compilations and syntheses referred to in paragraph 7 above and the summary report on the in-session workshops referred to in paragraph 8 above, starting at its fourth session (November 2021);

10. Also decides to convene a biennial high-level ministerial dialogue on climate finance beginning in 2021, to be informed, inter alia, by the summary reports on the in-session workshops referred to in paragraph 8 above and the biennial communications referred to in paragraph 2 above;
11. Requests the President of the Conference of the Parties serving as the meeting of the Parties to the Paris Agreement to summarize the deliberations of the dialogue referred to in paragraph 10 above for consideration by the Conference of the Parties serving as the meeting of the Parties to the Paris Agreement at its succeeding session;

12. Invites the Conference of the Parties to consider the compilation and syntheses and the summary reports on the in-session workshops referred to in paragraphs 7 and 8 above, respectively;

13. Decides to consider updating the types of information contained in the annex at its sixth session (2023) on the basis of the experiences and lessons learned by Parties in the preparation of their biennial communications of indicative quantitative and qualitative information;

14. Takes note of the estimated budgetary implications of the activities to be undertaken by the secretariat pursuant to the provisions contained in paragraphs 6–8 and 10 above;

15. Requests that the actions of the secretariat called for in this decision be undertaken subject to the availability of financial resources.
Annex

Types of information to be provided by Parties in accordance with Article 9, paragraph 5, of the Paris Agreement

Developed country Parties shall biennially communicate indicative quantitative and qualitative information related to Article 9, paragraphs 1 and 3, of the Paris Agreement, as applicable, including, as available, projected levels of public financial resources to be provided to developing country Parties. Other Parties providing resources are encouraged to communicate biennially such information on a voluntary basis. This should include:

(a) Enhanced information to increase clarity on the projected levels of public financial resources to be provided to developing countries, as available.

(b) Indicative quantitative and qualitative information on programmes, including projected levels, channels and instruments, as available.

(c) Information on policies and priorities, including regions and geography, recipient countries, beneficiaries, targeted groups, sectors and gender responsiveness.

(d) Information on purposes and types of support: mitigation, adaptation, cross-cutting activities, technology transfer and capacity-building.

(e) Information on the factors that providers of climate finance look for in evaluating proposals, in order to help to inform developing countries.

(f) An indication of new and additional resources to be provided, and how it determines such resources as new and additional.

(g) Information on national circumstances and limitations relevant to the provision of ex ante information.

(h) Information on relevant methodologies and assumptions used to project levels of climate finance.

(i) Information on challenges and barriers encountered in the past, lessons learned and measures taken to overcome them.

(j) Information on how Parties are aiming to ensure a balance between adaptation and mitigation, taking into account the country-driven strategies and the needs and priorities of developing country Parties, especially those that are particularly vulnerable to the adverse effects of climate change and have significant capacity constraints, such as the least developed countries and small island developing States, considering the need for public and grant-based resources for adaptation.

(k) Information on action and plans to mobilize additional climate finance as part of the global effort to mobilize climate finance from a wide variety of sources, including on the relationship between the public interventions to be used and the private finance mobilized.

(l) Information on how financial support effectively addresses the needs and priorities of developing country Parties and supports country-driven strategies.

(m) Information on how support provided and mobilized is targeted at helping developing countries in their efforts to meet the long-term goals of the Paris Agreement, including by assisting them in efforts to make finance flows consistent with a pathway towards low greenhouse gas emissions and climate-resilient development.

(n) Information on efforts to integrate climate change considerations, including resilience, into their development support.
(o) Information on how support to be provided to developing country Parties enhances their capacities.