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## **Subsidiary Body for Implementation**

**Thirty-seventh session**

**Doha, 26 November to 1 December 2012**

Agenda item 6(b)

**Matters relating to finance**

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### **Draft conclusions proposed by the Chair**

### **Recommendation of the Subsidiary Body for Implementation**

The Subsidiary Body for Implementation, at its thirty-seventh session, recommended the following draft decision for adoption by the Conference of the Parties at its eighteenth session:

### **Draft decision -/CP.18**

## **Report of the Global Environment Facility to the Conference of the Parties and additional guidance to the Global Environment Facility**

*The Conference of the Parties,*

*Recalling decisions 12/CP.2, 3/CP.16, 5/CP.16, 7/CP.16 and 11/CP.17,*

*Also recalling decision 5/CP.7, paragraph 7(a)(iv),*

*Taking note with appreciation of the annual report of the Global Environment Facility to the Conference of the Parties, which provides information on its efforts to improve the effectiveness and efficiency of the allocation of funding,<sup>1</sup>*

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<sup>1</sup> FCCC/CP/2012/6 and Add.1 and 2.

*Noting* the recommendations of the Standing Committee with regard to the provision of draft guidance for the operating entities of the financial mechanism of the Convention,

*Taking note* of the decisions taken at the 43<sup>rd</sup> meeting of the Council of the Global Environment Facility, in particular the decision on Financial Projections for GEF-5 Programming Options,

1. *Requests* the Global Environment Facility, as an operating entity of the financial mechanism of the Convention:

(a) To make support available to Parties not included in Annex I to the Convention (non-Annex I Parties) for preparing their subsequent biennial update reports, taking fully into account decision 2/CP.17, paragraph 41(a) and (e);

(b) To provide funds for technical support for the preparation of biennial update reports by non-Annex I Parties, similar to that provided by the National Communications Support Programme, recognizing that the costs of such technical support are not deducted from the funds provided to non-Annex I Parties for the preparation of their biennial update reports;

2. *Also requests* the Global Environment Facility, as an operating entity of the financial mechanism of the Convention, in its annual report to the Conference of the Parties, to include information on the steps it has taken to implement the guidance provided in paragraph 1 above;

3. *Invites* the Global Environment Facility, as an operating entity of the financial mechanism of the Convention, to submit to the Subsidiary Body for Implementation at its thirty-eighth session, through the secretariat, information on the status of resources available for programming in its fifth replenishment period, and on any possible contingency measures regarding the allocation of resources for implementing climate change projects;

4. *Urges* contributing Parties to fulfil their financial pledges for the fifth replenishment period of the Global Environment Facility;

5. *Requests* the Global Environment Facility, as an operating entity of the financial mechanism of the Convention, to make its annual report to the Conference of the Parties available as early as possible and no later than 14 weeks prior to a session of the Conference of the Parties, for consideration by Parties;

6. *Invites* Parties to submit to the secretariat annually, and no later than 10 weeks prior to a session of the Conference of the Parties, their views and recommendations in writing on the elements to be taken into account in the development of annual guidance for the operating entities of the financial mechanism of the Convention;

7. *Requests* the secretariat to compile the submissions referred to in paragraph 6 above, for consideration by Parties in developing guidance for the operating entities of the financial mechanism of the Convention;

8. *Also requests* the Standing Committee to provide to the Conference of the Parties at each of its sessions, beginning in 2013, draft guidance for the Global Environment Facility, as an operating entity of the financial mechanism of the Convention, based on the annual report of the Global Environment Facility to the Conference of the Parties and the views submitted by Parties as set out in paragraph 6 above.

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