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Matters relating to Article 6 of the Paris Agreement

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Draft conclusions proposed by the Chair

1. The Subsidiary Body for Scientific and Technological Advice (SBSTA), pursuant to decision 1/CP.21, paragraph 38, continued its work on the development of the rules, modalities and procedures for the mechanism established by Article 6, paragraph 4, of the Paris Agreement.
2. The SBSTA noted the importance of Article 6, paragraph 1, to its work.
3. The SBSTA also noted that Parties engaged in a productive exchange of views on Article 6, paragraphs 4–6, of the Paris Agreement and decision 1/CP.21, paragraphs 37 and 38, throughout this session and focused on establishing a common understanding of the matters related to the rules, modalities and procedures for the mechanism established by Article 6, paragraph 4, of the Paris Agreement, while continuing to ensure balanced progress, maintained between all three different sub-agenda items (12(a), 12(b) and 12(c)).
4. The SBSTA invited Parties to submit, by 17 March 2017, their views on, inter alia, the elements to be addressed, including their operationalization, in the rules, modalities and procedures for the mechanism established by Article 6, paragraph 4, of the Paris Agreement,¹ overarching issues, and relationships between Article 6, paragraphs 4–6, and other provisions of the Paris Agreement, the Convention and its related legal instruments, as relevant.
5. The SBSTA requested the secretariat to organize a roundtable discussion among Parties based on the submissions, in conjunction with SBSTA 46 (May 2017) while ensuring broad participation of developing and developed countries.

¹ Parties should submit their views via the submission portal at <<http://www.unfccc.int/5900>>.

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6. The SBSTA took note of the estimated budgetary implications of the activities to be undertaken by the secretariat referred to in paragraph 5 above. It requested that the actions of the secretariat called for in these conclusions be undertaken subject to the availability of financial resources.
7. The SBSTA agreed to continue its consideration of this matter at SBSTA 46.
