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## MESSAGE TO PARTIES AND OBSERVERS

## Nationally Determined Contributions Synthesis Report – Update

In accordance with Article 4 of the Paris Agreement, each Party is to prepare, communicate and maintain successive nationally determined contributions (NDCs) that it intends to achieve. Parties are required to communicate NDCs every five years and the communicated NDCs are to be recorded in the NDC registry, <sup>1</sup> maintained by the secretariat. COP 21 decided that Parties shall submit NDCs to the secretariat at least 9–12 months in advance of the relevant CMA session with a view to facilitating the clarity, transparency and understanding of the NDCs, including through a synthesis report prepared by the secretariat. <sup>2</sup> CMA 3 requested the secretariat to annually update the NDC synthesis report and make it available to the CMA at each of its sessions.<sup>3</sup>

On 28 October 2025, the secretariat published the 2025 NDC synthesis report,<sup>4</sup> which synthesizes information from the 64 new NDCs communicated by 64 Parties to the Paris Agreement and recorded in the NDC registry between 1 January 2024 and 30 September 2025.

**Distribution:** To Parties and observer States through their national focal points and diplomatic missions accredited to the Federal Republic of Germany, as well as United Nations system and specialized agencies and other relevant organizations, intergovernmental and non-governmental organizations admitted as observers by the Conference of the Parties.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> Available at <a href="https://unfccc.int/NDCREG">https://unfccc.int/NDCREG</a>.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> Decision 1/CP.21, para 25.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>3</sup> Decision 1/CMA.3, para 30.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>4</sup> Available at <a href="https://unfccc.int/documents/650664">https://unfccc.int/documents/650664</a>.



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Since the preparation of the 2025 NDC synthesis report, 49 Parties have communicated 22 new NDCs and one Party provided a revision to its previous submission.<sup>5</sup> Therefore, the secretariat provides Parties and observers with an update of key findings in the 2025 NDC synthesis report, including with regard to estimated total global greenhouse gas (GHG) emissions for 2035, covering the NDCs recorded in the NDC registry between 1 January 2024 and 09 November 2025. With all the latest NDCs communicated, representing 69 per cent of total global GHG emissions in 2019, this update also provides estimated total global GHG emissions (with and without land use, land-use change and forestry (LULUCF)) for 2035 (see the table below).

	Estimate (Gt CO <sub>2</sub> eq)	Change compared with 2019 level, on average (%) <sup>6</sup>
Total GHG emissions in 2035 (without LULUCF)	32.1 (30.6 to 33.4)	-12 (-16 to -8)
for the 113 Parties that communicated new NDCs <sup>7</sup>		
Total GHG emissions in 2035 (without LULUCF)	31.4 (30.6 to 32.3)	-14 (-16 to -11)
for the 113 Parties that communicated new NDCs		
(assuming implementation of all conditional		
elements)		
Total GHG emissions in 2035 (without LULUCF)	32.7 (32.0 to 33.4)	-10 (-12 to -8)
for the 113 Parties that communicated new NDCs		
(assuming implementation of unconditional		
elements only)		
Total global GHG emissions (without LULUCF)	49.4 (46.3 to 52.5)	-7 (-13 to -1)
in 2035 <sup>8</sup>		
Total global GHG emissions (with LULUCF) in	48.9 (45.8 to 52.0)	-12 (-18 to -7)
2035		

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<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>5</sup>Austria, Azerbaijan, Bahamas, Belgium, Brunei Darussalam, Bulgaria, Cabo Verde, China, Croatia, Cyprus, Czechia, Côte d'Ivoire, Denmark, Estonia, European Union, Fiji, Finland, France, Germany, Greece, Guinea, Hungary, Indonesia, Ireland, Italy, Kyrgyzstan, Latvia, Lithuania, Luxembourg, Malaysia, Malta, Mauritania, Mozambique, Netherlands, Paraguay, Peru, Poland, Portugal, Romania, Rwanda, Slovakia, Slovenia, South Africa, Spain, Sweden, Thailand, Türkiye, Uzbekistan, Venezuela (Bolivarian Republic of) and Zambia.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>6</sup> Compared with the emissions of the same group of Parties in 2019.

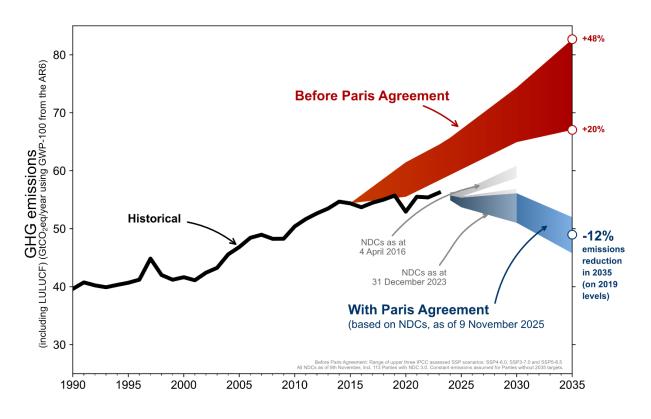
<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>7</sup> Provided 2035 GHG emissions are estimates of the average and min-max emission range implied by unconditional NDCs and/or the full implementation of NDCs (including all conditional elements) for 2035 of the 113 Parties that submitted a new NDC.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>8</sup> Global total GHG emissions are estimated based on all submitted NDCs, and illustrative scenarios for the remainder of global emissions: Those illustrative scenarios comprise emissions not covered by NDCs, including international aviation and shipping, an harmonisation for LULUCF emissions to be aligned with the anthropogenic global LULUCF emissions in IPCC assessed scenarios, such as the SSPs shown here (see Technical Appendix). For Parties without a 2035 NDC target, a range of emission extensions after their last target has been assumed, yielding similar results, namely constant emissions or a transition towards those Parties' long-term targets.



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Based on the total number of 86 NDCs submitted by 113 Parties, total global GHG emissions (with LULUCF) in 2035 are projected to be around 12 per cent below 2019 levels. This compares to a projected emissions increase of between 20 per cent and 48 per cent for 2035, before the adoption of the Paris Agreement, as set out in the below figure.<sup>9</sup>



Yours sincerely,

(signed by)

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<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>9</sup> To illustrate the projected emission range from before the Paris Agreement, the range of the upper three SSP scenarios (either no or very moderate climate policies) is depicted, namely including SSP4-6.0, SSP3-7.0 and SSP5-8.5 as presented in the Working Group III contribution to the IPCC Assessment Report (see Technical Appendix available at <a href="https://unfccc.int/process-and-meetings/the-paris-agreement/nationally-determined-">https://unfccc.int/process-and-meetings/the-paris-agreement/nationally-determined-</a>