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## MESSAGE TO PARTIES AND OBSERVERS

### Nationally determined contribution synthesis report

COP 21 requested Parties whose intended nationally determined contribution pursuant to decision 1/CP.20 contains a time frame up to 2025 to communicate by 2020 a new nationally determined contribution (NDC), and Parties whose intended nationally determined contribution pursuant to decision 1/CP.20 contains a time frame up to 2030 to communicate or update it by 2020. Parties were to submit to the secretariat their NDCs referred to in Article 4 of the Paris Agreement at least 9–12 months in advance of the relevant session of the CMA with a view to facilitating the clarity, transparency and understanding of the NDCs, including through an NDC synthesis report to be prepared by the secretariat.<sup>1</sup> CMA 2 recalled these requests and requested the secretariat to make the NDC synthesis report available at COP 26.<sup>2</sup>

In view of the postponement of the United Nations Climate Change Conference scheduled to take place in 2020, including COP 26, to November 2021 and the impact of the COVID-19 pandemic on the NDC preparation process, the NDC synthesis report was issued in several steps:<sup>3</sup>

- The initial version, along with its three technical addenda, was published on 26 February 2021;
- The full version, along with its three technical addenda, was published on 17 September 2021;
- An update of the key findings in the report was published on 25 October 2021.

Since the publication of the update of key findings, 14 Parties<sup>4</sup> have communicated new or updated NDCs or provided updates to previous submissions.<sup>5</sup>

**Distribution:** To Parties and observer States through their national focal points for climate change and diplomatic missions accredited to the Federal Republic of Germany, as well as United Nations organizations and admitted observer organizations.

<sup>1</sup> Decision 1/CP.21, paras. 23–25.

<sup>2</sup> Decision 1/CMA.2, paras. 7 and 10.

<sup>3</sup> Available at <https://unfccc.int/process-and-meetings/the-paris-agreement/nationally-determined-contributions-ndcs/nationally-determined-contributions-ndcs/ndc-synthesis-report>.

<sup>4</sup> Argentina (following up on second NDC submitted on 30 December 2020), Australia, Bahrain, Brazil (updated submission letter), Chad, China, Ghana, Iraq, Japan (full version following up on the interim version submitted on 12 October 2021), Nauru, Pakistan (full version following up on the abridged version submitted on 12 October 2021), Saint Kitts and Nevis, Saudi Arabia and Uzbekistan.

<sup>5</sup> Available at <https://www4.unfccc.int/sites/ndcstaging/Pages/Home.aspx>.

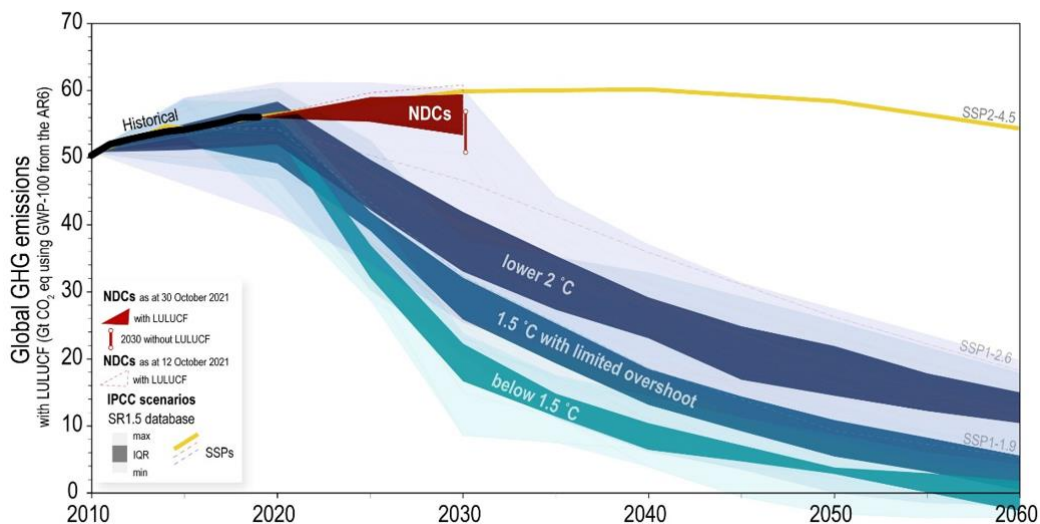


The secretariat wishes to bring to the attention of Parties and observers an update of the main findings of the NDC synthesis report, based on the analysis of the latest 14 submissions. This update, which takes into account the implementation of the 166 latest available NDCs from all 193 Parties to the Paris Agreement, including the 124 new or updated NDCs communicated by 151 Parties, recorded in the interim NDC registry as at 2 November 2021, is provided in the table below:

	Estimate in gigatonnes of carbon dioxide equivalent (Gt CO <sub>2</sub> eq)	Change compared to 2010, on average (%)
Total global GHG emissions (without LULUCF) in 2030	53.8 (50.8–56.9)	+13.7
Total GHG emissions in 2030 for the 151 Parties that communicated new or updated NDCs	40.4 (38.5–42.2)	+5.9
Total GHG emissions in 2030 for the 74 Parties with long-term mitigation visions, strategies and targets	29.7 (29.0 to 30.4)	-5.2

For the 74 Parties that provided information on long-term mitigation visions, strategies and targets for up to and beyond 2050, total GHG emissions are estimated to be 70–79 per cent lower in 2050 than in 2019.

The figure below<sup>6</sup> shows an updated comparison of global emissions under scenarios assessed in the Intergovernmental Panel on Climate Change Special Report on Global Warming of 1.5 °C with total global emissions according to nationally determined contributions.



Yours sincerely,

*(Signed by)*

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<sup>6</sup> See also the note to figure 9 in document FCCC/PA/CMA/2021/8/Rev.1.