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## NOTIFICATION

## Nationally determined contribution synthesis report

The Conference of the Parties (COP) requested<sup>1</sup> 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 are 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 Conference of the Parties serving as the meeting of the Parties to the Paris Agreement (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>2</sup>

CMA 2 recalled these requests and requested the secretariat to make the NDC synthesis report available to COP 26.<sup>3</sup>

As communicated to Parties on 13 August 2020, in view of the postponement to November 2021 of the United Nations Climate Change Conference, including COP 26, and of the impact of the COVID-19 pandemic on the NDC preparation process, the NDC synthesis report will be issued in two steps: an initial version of the NDC synthesis report by 28 February 2021, and the final version closer to COP 26.

**Distribution:** To Parties and observer States to the United Nations Framework Convention on Climate Change through their national focal points and diplomatic missions accredited to the Federal Republic of Germany.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> Decision 1/CP.21, paras. 23–24.

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

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>3</sup> Decision 1/CMA.2, paras. 7 and 10.



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I am pleased to inform Parties that the initial version of the NDC synthesis report was published on 26 February 2021. This document, along with its three technical addenda, is available on the UNFCCC website.<sup>4</sup>

Regarding the final version of the report, the secretariat is planning to publish it in advance of the pre-COP meeting, scheduled for 30 September -2 October 2021. The report will be prepared on the basis of the NDCs recorded in the interim NDC registry as at 30 July 2021. To facilitate timely preparation of the report, I strongly urge Parties to submit their new or updated NDCs as soon as possible.

To ensure that COP 26 has before it the latest information available, the UNFCCC secretariat will issue, if needed, an update of the key findings from the report shortly before the COP to reflect, to the degree possible, relevant information from NDC submissions received by the secretariat after 30 July 2021.

Yours sincerely,

(Signed by)

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<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>4</sup> Available at <u>https://unfccc.int/official-pre-session-documents-2020-2021#eq-3</u>.