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Addendum

Part Two: Action taken by the Conference of the Parties at its eighteenth session

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Decision 19/CP.18

Common tabular format for “UNFCCC biennial reporting guidelines for developed country Parties”

The Conference of the Parties,

Recalling the relevant provisions of the Convention, in particular Articles 4, 5, 7, 10 and 12, and decisions 9/CP.2, 11/CP.4, 4/CP.5, 1/CP.16 and 9/CP.16 on national communications from Parties included in Annex I to the Convention,

Also recalling that by decision 2/CP.17 it decided that developed country Parties shall use the “UNFCCC biennial reporting guidelines for developed country Parties”¹ for the preparation of their first biennial reports, taking into account their national circumstances, and shall submit their first biennial reports to the secretariat by 1 January 2014,

Further recalling that by decision 2/CP.17 it requested the Subsidiary Body for Scientific and Technological Advice to develop, taking into account existing international methodologies, and based on experiences gained in preparing the first biennial reports, methodologies for reporting financial information, with a view to recommending a decision on this matter to the Conference of the Parties at its twentieth session,

Recalling that the Subsidiary Body for Scientific and Technological Advice, at its thirty-sixth session,² agreed that the common tabular format will include tables for information specified in paragraphs 2, 5, 6, 9, 10, 11, 17, 18, 22 and 23 of the reporting guidelines and it may also include tables for information specified in paragraphs, inter alia, 13, 19 and 24 of the reporting guidelines,

1. *Adopts* the common tabular format for the “UNFCCC biennial reporting guidelines for developed country Parties” (hereinafter referred to as the reporting guidelines), as contained in the annex to this decision, noting that developed country Parties, in accordance with decision 2/CP.17, paragraph 13, shall use the reporting guidelines for the preparation of their biennial reports and will provide information on all the elements of the guidelines in these reports;

2. *Requests* the secretariat to develop a test version of an electronic reporting application for the common tabular format, for developed country Parties, by May 2013 and to finalize the development by July 2013;

3. *Also requests* the secretariat to revise the electronic reporting application for a common tabular format, in accordance with relevant decisions of the Conference of the Parties and, where applicable, with decisions of the Conference of the Parties serving as the meeting of the Parties to the Kyoto Protocol;

4. *Decides* that developed country Parties shall use the electronic reporting application taking into account their national circumstances when preparing and submitting their biennial reports in accordance with decision 2/CP.17;

5. *Encourages* developed country Parties to ensure consistency, to the extent possible, between the information provided in their biennial reports and the national communications;

¹ Contained in decision 2/CP.17, annex I.

² FCCC/SBSTA/2012/2.

6. *Requests* Parties to consider the best approach for future reporting on climate related private finance at the next revision of the reporting guidelines;
7. *Takes note* of the estimated budgetary implications of the activities to be undertaken by the secretariat pursuant to the provisions contained in paragraphs 2 and 3 above;
8. *Requests* that the actions of the secretariat called for in these conclusions be undertaken subject to the availability of financial resources.

Annex ¹

Table 1

Emission trends: summary

Year
Submission
Country

GREENHOUSE GAS EMISSIONS	Base year ^a	1990	(Years 1991 to latest reported year)	Change from base to latest reported year
	(kt CO ₂ eq)			(%)
CO ₂ emissions including net CO ₂ from LULUCF				
CO ₂ emissions excluding net CO ₂ from LULUCF				
CH ₄ emissions including CH ₄ from LULUCF				
CH ₄ emissions excluding CH ₄ from LULUCF				
N ₂ O emissions including N ₂ O from LULUCF				
N ₂ O emissions excluding N ₂ O from LULUCF				
HFCs				
PFCs				
SF ₆				
Total (including LULUCF)				
Total (excluding LULUCF)				

GREENHOUSE GAS SOURCE AND SINK CATEGORIES	Base year ^a	1990	(Years 1991 to latest reported year)	Change from base to latest reported year
	(kt CO ₂ eq)			(%)
1. Energy				
2. Industrial processes				
3. Solvent and other product use				
4. Agriculture				
5. Land use, land-use change and forestry ^b				
6. Waste				
7. Other				
Total (including LULUCF)				

¹ The common tabular format will be revised, in accordance with relevant decisions of the Conference of the Parties and, where applicable, with decisions of the Conference of the Parties serving as the meeting of the Parties to the Kyoto Protocol.

Notes:

(1) Further detailed information could be found in the common reporting format tables of the Party's greenhouse gas inventory, namely "Emission trends (CO₂)", "Emission trends (CH₄)", "Emission trends (N₂O)" and "Emission trends (HFCs, PFCs and SF₆)", which is included in an annex to this biennial report; (2) 20XX is the latest reported inventory year; (3) 1 kt CO₂ eq equals 1 Gg CO₂ eq.

Abbreviation: LULUCF = land use, land-use change and forestry.

^a The column "Base year" should be filled in only by those Parties with economies in transition that use a base year different from 1990 in accordance with the relevant decisions of the Conference of the Parties. For these Parties, this different base year is used to calculate the percentage change in the final column of this table.

^b Includes net CO₂, CH₄ and N₂O from LULUCF.

Table 1
(cont.) **Emission trends (CO₂)**

Year
Submission
Country

GREENHOUSE GAS SOURCE AND SINK CATEGORIES	Base year ^a	1990	(Years 1991 to latest reported year)	Change from base to latest reported year
	(kt)			(%)
1. Energy				
A. Fuel combustion (sectoral approach)				
1. Energy industries				
2. Manufacturing industries and construction				
3. Transport				
4. Other sectors				
5. Other				
B. Fugitive emissions from fuels				
1. Solid fuels				
2. Oil and natural gas				
2. Industrial processes				
A. Mineral products				
B. Chemical industry				
C. Metal production				
D. Other production				
E. Production of halocarbons and SF ₆				
F. Consumption of halocarbons and SF ₆				
G. Other				
3. Solvent and other product use				
4. Agriculture				
A. Enteric fermentation				
B. Manure management				
C. Rice cultivation				
D. Agricultural soils				
E. Prescribed burning of savannas				
F. Field burning of agricultural residues				
G. Other				
5. Land use, land-use change and forestry^b				
A. Forest land				

B. Cropland				
C. Grassland				
D. Wetlands				
E. Settlements				
F. Other land				
G. Other				
6. Waste				
A. Solid waste disposal on land				
B. Wastewater handling				
C. Waste incineration				
D. Other				
7. Other (as specified in the summary 1.A in the latest submitted CRF)				
Total CO₂ emissions including net CO₂ from LULUCF				
Total CO₂ emissions excluding net CO₂ from LULUCF				
Memo items:				
International bunkers				
Aviation				
Marine				
Multilateral operations				
CO₂ emissions from biomass				

Abbreviations: CRF = common reporting format, LULUCF = land use, land-use change and forestry.

^a The column "Base year" should be filled in only by those Parties with economies in transition that use a base year different from 1990 in accordance with the relevant decisions of the Conference of the Parties. For these Parties, this different base year is used to calculate the percentage change in the final column of this table.

^b Fill in net emissions/removals as reported in table Summary 1.A of the latest reported inventory year. For the purposes of reporting, the signs for removals are always negative (-) and for emissions positive (+).

Table 1
(cont.) **Emission trends (CH₄)**

Year
Submission
Country

GREENHOUSE GAS SOURCE AND SINK CATEGORIES	Base year ^a	1990	(Years 1991 to latest reported year)	Change from base to latest reported year
	(kt)			(%)
1. Energy				
A. Fuel combustion (sectoral approach)				
1. Energy industries				
2. Manufacturing industries and construction				
3. Transport				
4. Other sectors				
5. Other				
B. Fugitive emissions from fuels				
1. Solid fuels				
2. Oil and natural gas				
2. Industrial processes				
A. Mineral products				
B. Chemical industry				
C. Metal production				
D. Other production				
E. Production of halocarbons and SF ₆				
F. Consumption of halocarbons and SF ₆				
G. Other				
3. Solvent and other product use				
4. Agriculture				
A. Enteric fermentation				
B. Manure management				
C. Rice cultivation				
D. Agricultural soils				
E. Prescribed burning of savannas				
F. Field burning of agricultural residues				
G. Other				
5. Land use, land-use change and forestry				
A. Forest land				
B. Cropland				
C. Grassland				

D. Wetlands				
E. Settlements				
F. Other land				
G. Other				
6. Waste				
A. Solid waste disposal on land				
B. Wastewater handling				
C. Waste incineration				
D. Other				
7. Other (as specified in the summary 1.A in the latest submitted CRF)				
Total CH₄ emissions including CH₄ from LULUCF				
Total CH₄ emissions excluding CH₄ from LULUCF				
Memo items:				
International bunkers				
Aviation				
Marine				
Multilateral operations				
CO₂ emissions from biomass				

Abbreviations: CRF = common reporting format, LULUCF = land use, land-use change and forestry.

^a The column “Base year” should be filled in only by those Parties with economies in transition that use a base year different from 1990 in accordance with the relevant decisions of the Conference of the Parties. For these Parties, this different base year is used to calculate the percentage change in the final column of this table.

Table 1
(cont.) **Emission trends (N₂O)**

Year
Submission
Country

GREENHOUSE GAS SOURCE AND SINK CATEGORIES	Base year ^a	1990	(Years 1991 to latest reported year)	Change from base to latest reported year
	(kt)			(%)
1. Energy				
A. Fuel combustion (sectoral approach)				
1. Energy industries				
2. Manufacturing industries and construction				
3. Transport				
4. Other sectors				
5. Other				
B. Fugitive emissions from fuels				
1. Solid fuels				
2. Oil and natural gas				
2. Industrial processes				
A. Mineral products				
B. Chemical industry				
C. Metal production				
D. Other production				
E. Production of halocarbons and SF ₆				
F. Consumption of halocarbons and SF ₆				
G. Other				
3. Solvent and other product use				
4. Agriculture				
A. Enteric fermentation				
B. Manure management				
C. Rice cultivation				
D. Agricultural soils				
E. Prescribed burning of savannas				
F. Field burning of agricultural residues				
G. Other				
5. Land use, land-use change and forestry				
A. Forest land				
B. Cropland				
C. Grassland				
D. Wetlands				

E. Settlements				
F. Other land				
G. Other				
6. Waste				
A. Solid waste disposal on land				
B. Wastewater handling				
C. Waste incineration				
D. Other				
7. Other (as specified in the summary table in CRF)				
Total N₂O emissions including N₂O from LULUCF				
Total N₂O emissions excluding N₂O from LULUCF				
Memo items:				
International bunkers				
Aviation				
Marine				
Multilateral operations				
CO₂ emissions from biomass				

Abbreviations: CRF = common reporting format, LULUCF = land use, land-use change and forestry.

^a The column “Base year” should be filled in only by those Parties with economies in transition that use a base year different from 1990 in accordance with the relevant decisions of the Conference of the Parties. For these Parties, this different base year is used to calculate the percentage change in the final column of this table.

Table 1
(cont.) **Emission trends (HFCs, PFCs and SF₆)**

Year
Submission
Country

GREENHOUSE GAS SOURCE AND SINK CATEGORIES	Base year ^a	1990	(Years 1991 to latest reported year)	Change from base to latest reported year
	(kt)			(%)
Emissions of HFCs^c (kt CO₂ eq)				
HFC-23				
HFC-32				
HFC-41				
HFC-43-10mee				
HFC-125				
HFC-134				
HFC-134a				
HFC-152a				
HFC-143				
HFC-143a				
HFC-227ea				
HFC-236fa				
HFC-245ca				
Unspecified mix of listed HFCs ^d (kt CO ₂ eq)				
Emissions of PFCs^c (kt CO₂ eq)				
CF ₄				
C ₂ F ₆				
C ₃ F ₈				
C ₄ F ₁₀				
c-C ₄ F ₈				
C ₅ F ₁₂				
C ₆ F ₁₄				
Unspecified mix of listed PFCs ^a (kt CO ₂ eq)				
Emissions of SF₆^c (kt CO₂ eq)				
SF ₆				

Chemical	GWP ^b
HFCs	
HFC-23	11 700
HFC-32	650
HFC-41	150
HFC-43-10mee	1 300
HFC-125	2 800
HFC-134	1 000
HFC-134a	1 300
HFC-152a	140
HFC-143	300
HFC-143a	3 800
HFC-227ea	2 900
HFC-236fa	6 300
HFC-245ca	560
PFCs	
CF ₄	6 500
C ₂ F ₆	9 200
C ₃ F ₈	7 000
C ₄ F ₁₀	7 000
c-C ₄ F ₈	8 700
C ₅ F ₁₂	7 500
C ₆ F ₁₄	7 400
SF ₆	23 900

Abbreviation: GWP = global warming potential.

^a The column “Base year” should be filled in only by those Parties with economies in transition that use a base year different from 1990 in accordance with the relevant decisions of the Conference of the Parties. For these Parties, this different base year is used to calculate the percentage change in the final column of this table.

^b For the second and subsequent biennial reports, the global warming potential values need to be revised in accordance with decision 15/CP.17.

^c Enter actual emissions estimates. If only potential emissions estimates are available, these should be reported in this table and an indication for this be provided in the documentation box. Only in these rows are the emissions expressed as CO₂ equivalent emissions.

^d In accordance with the “Guidelines for the preparation of national communications by Parties included in Annex I to the Convention, Part I: UNFCCC reporting guidelines on annual inventories”, HFC and PFC emissions should be reported for each relevant chemical. However, if it is not possible to report values for each chemical (i.e. mixtures, confidential data, lack of disaggregation), this row could be used for reporting aggregate figures for HFCs and PFCs, respectively. Note that the unit used for this row is kt of CO₂ equivalent and that appropriate notation keys should be entered in the cells for the individual chemicals.

Documentation box:

Table 2(a)
Description of quantified economy-wide emission reduction target: base year^a

<i>Party</i>		
Base year /base period		
Emission reduction target	% of base year/base period	% of 1990 ^b
Period for reaching target		

^a Reporting by a developed country Party on the information specified in the common tabular format does not prejudge the position of other Parties with regard to the treatment of units from market-based mechanisms under the Convention or other market-based mechanisms towards achievement of quantified economy-wide emission reduction targets.

^b Optional.

Table 2(b)

Description of quantified economy-wide emission reduction target: gases and sectors covered^a

Gases covered	Base year for each gas (year):
CO ₂	_____
CH ₄	_____
N ₂ O	_____
HFCs	_____
PFCs	_____
SF ₆	_____
NF ₃	_____
Other gases	_____
Sectors covered ^b	Energy Transport ^c Industrial processes ^d Agriculture LULUCF Waste Other (specify)

Abbreviations: LULUCF = land use, land-use change and forestry.

^a Reporting by a developed country Party on the information specified in the common tabular format does not prejudge the position of other Parties with regard to the treatment of units from market-based mechanisms under the Convention or other market-based mechanisms towards achievement of quantified economy-wide emission reduction targets.

^b More than one selection will be allowed. If Parties use sectors other than those indicated above, the explanation of how these sectors relate to the sectors defined by the IPCC should be provided.

^c Transport is reported as a subsector of the energy sector.

^d Industrial processes refer to the industrial processes and solvent and other product use sectors.

Table 2(c)

Description of quantified economy-wide emission reduction target: global warming potential values (GWP)^a

Gases	GWP values ^b
CO ₂	
CH ₄	
N ₂ O	
HFCs	
PFCs	
SF ₆	
NF ₃	
Other gases ^c	

Abbreviations: GWP = global warming potential

^a Reporting by a developed country Party on the information specified in the common tabular format does not prejudge the position of other Parties with regard to the treatment of units from market-based mechanisms under the Convention or other market-based mechanisms towards achievement of quantified economy-wide emission reduction targets.

^b Please specify the reference for the GWP: Second Assessment Report of the Intergovernmental Panel on Climate Change (IPCC) or the Fourth Assessment Report of the IPCC.

^c Specify.

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Table 2(d)

Description of quantified economy-wide emission reduction target: approach to counting emissions and removals from the LULUCF sector^a

Role of LULUCF	LULUCF in base year level and target	Included
		Excluded
	Contribution of LULUCF is calculated using	Land-based approach
		Activity-based approach
		Other (specify)

Abbreviation: LULUCF = land use, land-use change and forestry.

^a Reporting by a developed country Party on the information specified in the common tabular format does not prejudice the position of other Parties with regard to the treatment of units from market-based mechanisms under the Convention or other market-based mechanisms towards achievement of quantified economy-wide emission reduction targets.

Table 2(e)I

Description of quantified economy-wide emission reduction target: market-based mechanisms under the Convention^a

		Possible scale of contributions (estimated kt CO ₂ eq)
	CERs	
	ERUs	
	AAUs ^b	
	Carry-over units ^c	
	Other mechanism units under the Convention (specify) ^d	

Abbreviations: AAU = assigned amount unit, CER = certified emission reduction, ERU = emission reduction unit.

^a Reporting by a developed country Party on the information specified in the common tabular format does not prejudice the position of other Parties with regard to the treatment of units from market-based mechanisms under the Convention or other market-based mechanisms towards achievement of quantified economy-wide emission reduction targets.

^b AAUs issued to or purchased by a Party.

^c Units carried over from the first to the second commitment periods of the Kyoto Protocol, as described in decision 13/CMP.1 and consistent with decision XX /CMP.8.

^d As indicated in paragraph 5(e) of the guidelines contained in annex I of decision 2/CP.17.

Table 2(e)II

Description of quantified economy-wide emission reduction target: other market-based mechanisms^a

	Possible scale of contributions
(Specify)	<i>(estimated kt CO₂ eq)</i>

^a Reporting by a developed country Party on the information specified in the common tabular format does not prejudice the position of other Parties with regard to the treatment of units from market-based mechanisms under the Convention or other market-based mechanisms towards achievement of quantified economy-wide emission reduction targets.

Table 2(f)

Description of quantified economy-wide emission reduction target: any other information^{a,b}

^a Reporting by a developed country Party on the information specified in the common tabular format does not prejudice the position of other Parties with regard to the treatment of units from market-based mechanisms under the Convention or other market-based mechanisms towards achievement of quantified economy-wide emission reduction targets.

^b This information could include information on the domestic legal status of the target or the total assigned amount of emission units for the period for reaching a target. Some of this information is presented in the narrative part of the biennial report.

Table 3

Progress in achievement of the quantified economy-wide emission reduction target: information on mitigation actions and their effects

Name of mitigation action ^a	Sector(s) affected ^b	GHG(s) affected	Objective and/or activity affected	Type of instrument ^c	Status of implementation ^d	Brief description ^e	Start year of implementation	Implementing entity or entities	Estimate of mitigation impact (not cumulative, in kt CO ₂ eq)	
									20XX ^f	2020

Note: The two final columns specify the year identified by the Party for estimating impacts (based on the status of the measure and whether an ex post or ex ante estimation is available).

Abbreviations: GHG = greenhouse gas; LULUCF = land use, land-use change and forestry.

^a Parties should use an asterisk (*) to indicate that a mitigation action is included in the ‘with measures’ projection.

^b To the extent possible, the following sectors should be used: energy, transport, industry/industrial processes, agriculture, forestry/LULUCF, waste management/waste, other sectors, cross-cutting, as appropriate.

^c To the extent possible, the following types of instrument should be used: economic, fiscal, voluntary agreement, regulatory, information, education, research, other.

^d To the extent possible, the following descriptive terms should be used to report on the status of implementation: implemented, adopted, planned.

^e Additional information may be provided on the cost of the mitigation actions and the relevant timescale.

^f Optional year or years deemed relevant by the Party.

Table 4
Reporting on progress^{a, b}

Year ^c	Total emissions excluding LULUCF (kt CO ₂ eq)	Contribution from LULUCF ^d (kt CO ₂ eq)	Quantity of units from market based mechanisms under the Convention (number of units and kt CO ₂ eq)	Quantity of units from other market based mechanisms (number of units and kt CO ₂ eq)
Base year/base period (specify)				
2010				
2011				
2012				

Abbreviation: GHG = greenhouse gas, LULUCF = land use, land-use change and forestry.

^a Reporting by a developed country Party on the information specified in the common tabular format does not prejudice the position of other Parties with regard to the treatment of units from market-based mechanisms under the Convention or other market-based mechanisms towards achievement of quantified economy-wide emission reduction targets.

^b For the base year, information reported on the emission reduction target shall include the following: (a) total GHG emissions, excluding emissions and removals from the LULUCF sector; (b) emissions and/or removals from the LULUCF sector based on the accounting approach applied taking into consideration any relevant decisions of the Conference of the Parties and the activities and/or land that will be accounted for; (c) total GHG emissions, including emissions and removals from the LULUCF sector. For each reported year, information reported on progress made towards the emission reduction targets shall include, in addition to the information noted in paragraphs 9(a–c) of the UNFCCC biennial reporting guidelines for developed country Parties, information on the use of units from market-based mechanisms.

^c Parties may add additional rows for years other than those specified below.

^d Information in this column should be consistent with the information reported in table 4(a)I or 4(a)II, as appropriate. The Parties for which all relevant information on the LULUCF contribution is reported in table 1 of this common tabular format can refer to table 1.

Table 4(a)I

Progress in achieving the quantified economy-wide emission reduction targets – further information on mitigation actions relevant to the contribution of the land use, land-use change and forestry sector in 20XX-3^{a, b}

	<i>Net GHG emissions/removals from LULUCF categories^c (kt CO₂eq)</i>	<i>Base year/period or reference level value^d (kt CO₂eq)</i>	<i>Contribution from LULUCF for reported year (kt CO₂eq)</i>	<i>Cumulative contribution from LULUCF^e (kt CO₂eq)</i>	<i>Accounting approach^f</i>
Total LULUCF					
A: Forest land					
1. Forest land remaining forest land					
2. Land converted to forest land					
3. Other (please specify) ^g					
B: Cropland					
1. Cropland remaining cropland					
2. Land converted to cropland					
3. Other (please specify) ^g					
C: Grassland					
1. Grassland remaining grassland					
2. Land converted to grassland					
3. Other (please specify) ^g					
D: Wetlands					
1. Wetlands remaining wetlands					
2. Land converted to wetlands					
3. Other (please specify) ^g					
E: Settlements					
1. Settlements remaining settlements					
2. Land converted to settlements					
3. Other (please specify) ^g					
F: Other land					
1. Other land remaining other land					
2. Land converted to other land					
3. Other ^g					
G: Other (please specify) ^g					
Harvested wood products					

Abbreviations: GHG = greenhouse gas, LULUCF = land use, land-use change and forestry.

^a Reporting by a developed country Party on the information specified in the common tabular format does not prejudice the position of other Parties with regard to the treatment of units from market-based mechanisms under the Convention or other market-based mechanisms towards achievement of quantified economy-wide emission reduction targets.

^b Parties that use the LULUCF approach that is based on table 1 do not need to complete this table, but should indicate the approach in table 2. Parties should fill in a separate table for each year, namely 20XX-3 and 20XX-2, where 20XX is the reporting year.

^c For each category, enter the net emissions or removals reported in the most recent inventory submission for the corresponding inventory year. If a category differs from that used for the reporting under the Convention or its Kyoto Protocol, explain in the biennial report how the value was derived.

- ^d Enter one reference level or base year/period value for each category. Explain in the biennial report how these values have been calculated.
- ^e If applicable to the accounting approach chosen. Explain in this biennial report to which years or period the cumulative contribution refers to.
- ^f Label each accounting approach and indicate where additional information is provided within this biennial report explaining how it was implemented, including all relevant accounting parameters (i.e. natural disturbances, caps).
- ^g Specify what was used for the category “other”. Explain in this biennial report how each was defined and how it relates to the categories used for reporting under the Convention or its Kyoto Protocol.

Table 4(a)II

Progress in achievement of the quantified economy-wide emission reduction targets – further information on mitigation actions relevant to the counting of emissions and removals from the land use, land-use change and forestry sector in relation to activities under Article 3, paragraphs 3 and 4, of the Kyoto Protocol^{a,b,c}

GREENHOUSE GAS SOURCE AND SINK ACTIVITIES		Net emissions/removals ^e				Accounting parameters ^h	Accounting quantity ⁱ
		Base year ^d	2008	2009	... ^f		
	(kt CO ₂ eq)						
A. Article 3, paragraph 3, activities							
A.1. Afforestation and reforestation							
A.1.1. Units of land not harvested since the beginning of the commitment period ^j							
A.1.2. Units of land harvested since the beginning of the commitment period ^j							
A.2. Deforestation							
B. Article 3, paragraph 4, activities							
B.1. Forest management (if elected)							
3.3 offset ^k							
Forest management cap ^l							
B.2. Cropland management (if elected)							
B.3. Grazing land management (if elected)							
B.4. Revegetation (if elected)							

Note: 1 kt CO₂ eq equals 1 Gg CO₂ eq.

Abbreviations: CRF = common reporting format, LULUCF = land use, land-use change and forestry.

^a Reporting by a developed country Party on the information specified in the common tabular format does not prejudice the position of other Parties with regard to the treatment of units from market-based mechanisms under the Convention or other market-based mechanisms towards achievement of quantified economy-wide emission reduction targets.

^b Developed country Parties with a quantified economy-wide emission reduction target as communicated to the secretariat and contained in document FCCC/SB/2011/INF.1/Rev.1 or any update to that document, that are Parties to the Kyoto Protocol, may use table 4(a)II for reporting of accounting quantities if LULUCF is contributing to the attainment of that target.

^c Parties can include references to the relevant parts of the national inventory report, where accounting methodologies regarding LULUCF are further described in the documentation box or in the biennial reports.

^d Net emissions and removals in the Party's base year, as established by decision 9/CP.2.

^e All values are reported in the information table on accounting for activities under Article 3, paragraphs 3 and 4, of the Kyoto Protocol, of the CRF for the relevant inventory year as reported in the current submission and are automatically entered in this table.

^f Additional columns for relevant years should be added, if applicable.

^g Cumulative net emissions and removals for all years of the commitment period reported in the current submission.

^h The values in the cells "3.3 offset" and "Forest management cap" are absolute values.

ⁱ The accounting quantity is the total quantity of units to be added to or subtracted from a Party's assigned amount for a particular activity in accordance with the provisions of Article 7, paragraph 4, of the Kyoto Protocol.

^j In accordance with paragraph 4 of the annex to decision 16/CMP.1, debits resulting from harvesting during the first commitment period following afforestation and reforestation since 1990 shall not be greater than the credits accounted for on that unit of land.

^k In accordance with paragraph 10 of the annex to decision 16/CMP.1, for the first commitment period a Party included in Annex I that incurs a net source of emissions under the provisions of Article 3 paragraph 3, may account for anthropogenic greenhouse gas emissions by sources and removals by sinks in areas under forest management under Article 3, paragraph 4, up to a level that is equal to the net source of emissions under the provisions of Article 3, paragraph 3, but not greater than 9.0 megatonnes of carbon times five, if the total anthropogenic greenhouse gas emissions by sources and removals by sinks in the managed forest since 1990 is equal to, or larger than, the net source of emissions incurred under Article 3, paragraph 3.

^l In accordance with paragraph 11 of the annex to decision 16/CMP.1, for the first commitment period of the Kyoto Protocol only, additions to and subtractions from the assigned amount of a Party resulting from Forest management under Article 3, paragraph 4, after the application of paragraph 10 of the annex to decision 16/CMP.1 and resulting from forest management project activities undertaken under Article 6, shall not exceed the value inscribed in the appendix of the annex to decision 16/CMP.1, times five.

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Table 4(b)
Reporting on progress^{a, b, c}

Kyoto Protocol units ^d (kt CO ₂ eq)										Other units ^{d,e} (kt CO ₂ eq)			
AAUs		ERUs		CERs		tCERs		lCERs		Units from market-based mechanisms under the Convention		Units from other market-based mechanisms	
20XX-3	20XX-2	20XX-3	Year X-2	20XX-3	20XX-2	20XX-3	20XX-2	20XX-3	20XX-2	20XX-3	20XX-2	20XX-3	20XX-2
Quantity of units													
										20XX-3			
										20XX-2			
Total													

Note: 20XX is the latest reporting year.

Abbreviations: AAUs = assigned amount units, CERs = certified emission reductions, ERUs = emission reduction units, ICERs = long-term certified emission reductions, tCERs = temporary certified emission reductions.

^a Reporting by a developed country Party on the information specified in the common tabular format does not prejudice the position of other Parties with regard to the treatment of units from market-based mechanisms under the Convention or other market-based mechanisms towards achievement of quantified economy-wide emission reduction targets.

^b For each reported year, information reported on progress made towards the emission reduction target shall include, in addition to the information noted in paragraphs 9(a-c) of the reporting guidelines, on the use of units from market-based mechanisms.

^c Parties may include this information, as appropriate and if relevant to their target.

^d Units surrendered by that Party for that year that have not been previously surrendered by that or any other Party.

^e Additional columns for each market-based mechanism should be added, if applicable.

Table 5
Summary of key variables and assumptions used in the projections analysis^a

<i>Key underlying assumptions</i>	<i>Historical^b</i>							<i>Projected</i>				
	<i>1990</i>	<i>1995</i>	<i>2000</i>	<i>2005</i>	<i>2010</i>	<i>2011</i>	<i>...</i>	<i>...</i>	<i>2015</i>	<i>2020</i>	<i>2025</i>	<i>2030</i>

^a Parties should include key underlying assumptions as appropriate.

^b Parties should include historical data used to develop the greenhouse gas projections reported.

Abbreviations: GHG = greenhouse gas, LULUCF = land use, land-use change and forestry.

^a In accordance with the “Guidelines for the preparation of national communications by Parties included in Annex I to the Convention, Part II: UNFCCC reporting guidelines on national communications”, at a minimum Parties shall report a ‘with measures’ scenario, and may report ‘without measures’ and ‘with additional measures’ scenarios. If a Party chooses to report ‘without measures’ and/or ‘with additional measures’ scenarios they are to use tables 6(b) and/or 6(c), respectively. If a Party does not choose to report ‘without measures’ or ‘with additional measures’ scenarios then it should not include tables 6(b) or 6(c) in the biennial report.

^b Emissions and removals reported in these columns should be as reported in the latest GHG inventory and consistent with the emissions and removals reported in the table on GHG emissions and trends provided in this biennial report. Where the sectoral breakdown differs from that reported in the GHG inventory Parties should explain in their biennial report how the inventory sectors relate to the sectors reported in this table.

^c 20XX is the reporting due-date year (i.e. 2014 for the first biennial report).

^d In accordance with paragraph 34 of the “Guidelines for the preparation of national communications by Parties included in Annex I to the Convention, Part II: UNFCCC reporting guidelines on national communications”, projections shall be presented on a sectoral basis, to the extent possible, using the same sectoral categories used in the policies and measures section. This table should follow, to the extent possible, the same sectoral categories as those listed in paragraph 17 of those guidelines, namely, to the extent appropriate, the following sectors should be considered: energy, transport, industry, agriculture, forestry and waste management.

^e To the extent possible, the following sectors should be used: energy, transport, industry/industrial processes, agriculture, forestry/LULUCF, waste management/waste, other sectors (i.e. cross-cutting), as appropriate.

^f Parties may choose to report total emissions with or without LULUCF, as appropriate.

Abbreviations: GHG = greenhouse gas, LULUCF = land use, land-use change and forestry.

^a In accordance with the “Guidelines for the preparation of national communications by Parties included in Annex I to the Convention, Part II: UNFCCC reporting guidelines on national communications”, at a minimum Parties shall report a ‘with measures’ scenario, and may report ‘without measures’ and ‘with additional measures’ scenarios. If a Party chooses to report ‘without measures’ and/or ‘with additional measures’ scenarios they are to use tables 6(b) and/or 6(c), respectively. If a Party does not choose to report ‘without measures’ or ‘with additional measures’ scenarios then it should not include tables 6(b) or 6(c) in the biennial report.

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^e To the extent possible, the following sectors should be used: energy, transport, industry/industrial processes, agriculture, forestry/LULUCF, waste management/waste, other sectors (i.e. cross-cutting), as appropriate.

^f Parties may choose to report total emissions with or without LULUCF, as appropriate.

Abbreviations: GHG = greenhouse gas, LULUCF = land use, land-use change and forestry.

^a In accordance with the “Guidelines for the preparation of national communications by Parties included in Annex I to the Convention, Part II: UNFCCC reporting guidelines on national communications”, at a minimum Parties shall report a ‘with measures’ scenario, and may report ‘without measures’ and ‘with additional measures’ scenarios. If a Party chooses to report ‘without measures’ and/or ‘with additional measures’ scenarios they are to use tables 6(b) and/or 6(c), respectively. If a Party does not choose to report ‘without measures’ or ‘with additional measures’ scenarios then it should not include tables 6(b) or 6(c) in the biennial report.

^b Emissions and removals reported in these columns should be as reported in the latest GHG inventory and consistent with the emissions and removals reported in the table on GHG emissions and trends provided in this biennial report. Where the sectoral breakdown differs from that reported in the GHG inventory Parties should explain in their biennial report how the inventory sectors relate to the sectors reported in this table.

^c 20XX is the reporting due-date year (i.e. 2014 for the first biennial report).

^d In accordance with paragraph 34 of the “Guidelines for the preparation of national communications by Parties included in Annex I to the Convention, Part II: UNFCCC reporting guidelines on national communications”, projections shall be presented on a sectoral basis, to the extent possible, using the same sectoral categories used in the policies and measures section. This table should follow, to the extent possible, the same sectoral categories as those listed in paragraph 17 of those guidelines, namely, to the extent appropriate, the following sectors should be considered: energy, transport, industry, agriculture, forestry and waste management.

^e To the extent possible, the following sectors should be used: energy, transport, industry/industrial processes, agriculture, forestry/LULUCF, waste management/waste, other sectors (i.e. cross-cutting), as appropriate.

^f Parties may choose to report total emissions with or without LULUCF, as appropriate.

Table 7
Provision of public financial support: summary information in 20XX-3^a

						Year				
Allocation channels	Domestic currency					USD ^b				
	Core/ general ^c	Climate-specific ^d				Core/ general ^c	Climate-specific ^d			
		Mitigation	Adaptation	Cross-cutting ^e	Other ^f		Mitigation	Adaptation	Cross-cutting ^e	Other ^f
Total contributions through multilateral channels:										
Multilateral climate change funds ^g										
Other multilateral climate change funds ^h										
Multilateral financial institutions, including regional development banks										
Specialized United Nations bodies										
Total contributions through bilateral, regional and other channels										
Total										

Abbreviation: USD = United States dollars.

^a Parties should fill in a separate table for each year, namely 20XX-3 and 20XX-2, where 20XX is the reporting year.

^b Parties should provide an explanation on methodology used for currency exchange for the information provided in table 7, 7(a) and 7(b) in the box below.

^c This refers to support to multilateral institutions that Parties cannot specify as climate-specific.

^d Parties should explain in their biennial reports how they define funds as being climate-specific.

^e This refers to funding for activities which are cross-cutting across mitigation and adaptation.

^f Please specify.

^g Multilateral climate change funds listed in paragraph 17(a) of the “UNFCCC biennial reporting guidelines for developed country Parties” in decision 2/CP.17.

^h Other multilateral climate change funds as referred in paragraph 17(b) of the “UNFCCC biennial reporting guidelines for developed country Parties” in decision 2/CP.17.

Each Party shall provide an indication of what new and additional financial resources they have provided, and clarify how they have determined that such resources are new and additional. Please provide this information in relation to table 7(a) and table 7(b).
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Table 7(a)

Provision of public financial support: contribution through multilateral channels in 20XX-3^a

	Total amount				Status ^b	Funding source	Financial instrument	Type of support	Sector ^c
	Core/general ^d		Climate-specific ^e						
Donor funding	Domestic currency	USD	Domestic currency	USD	Provided Committed Pledged	ODA OOF Other ^f	Grant Concessional loan Non-concessional loan Equity Other ^f	Mitigation Adaptation Cross-cutting ^g Other ^f	Energy Transport Industry Agriculture Forestry Water and sanitation Cross-cutting Other ^f Not applicable
Multilateral climate change funds									
1. Global Environment Facility									
2. Least Developed Countries Fund									
3. Special Climate Change Fund									
4. Adaptation Fund									
5. Green Climate Fund									
6. UNFCCC Trust Fund for Supplementary Activities									
7. Other multilateral climate change funds									
Subtotal									
Multilateral financial institutions, including regional development banks									
1. World Bank									
2. International Finance Corporation									
3. African Development Bank									
4. Asian Development Bank									
5. European Bank for Reconstruction and Development									
6. Inter-American Development Bank									
7. Other									
Subtotal									

Table 7(a) (cont.)

Provision of public financial support: contribution through multilateral channels in 20XX-3^a

Specialized United Nations bodies

1. United Nations Development

Programme

(specific programmes)

2. United Nations Environment

Programme

(specific programmes)

3. Other

Subtotal

Total

Abbreviations: ODA = official development assistance, OOF = other official flows.

^a Parties should fill in a separate table for each year, namely 20XX-3 and 20XX-2, where 20XX is the reporting year.

^b Parties should explain, in their biennial reports, the methodologies used to specify the funds as provided, committed and/or pledged. Parties will provide the information for as many status categories as appropriate in the following order of priority: provided, committed, pledged.

^c Parties may select several applicable sectors. Parties may report sectoral distribution, as applicable, under “Other”.

^d This refers to support to multilateral institutions that Parties cannot specify as climate-specific.

^e Parties should explain in their biennial reports how they define funds as being climate-specific.

^f Please specify.

^g This refers to funding for activities which are cross-cutting across mitigation and adaptation.

Table 7(b)

Provision of public financial support: contribution through bilateral, regional and other channels in 20XX-3^a

<i>Recipient country/ region/project/programme^b</i>	<i>Total amount</i>		<i>Status^c</i>	<i>Funding source</i>	<i>Financial instrument</i>	<i>Type of support</i>	<i>Sector^d</i>	<i>Additional Information^e</i>
	<i>Climate-specific^f</i>		<i>Provided, Committed, Pledged</i>	<i>ODA OOF Other^g</i>	<i>Grant Concessional loan Non-concessional loan Equity Other^g</i>	<i>Mitigation Adaptation Cross-cutting^h Other^g</i>	<i>Energy Transport Industry Agriculture Forestry Water and sanitation Cross-cutting Other^g</i>	
	<i>Domestic currency</i>	<i>USD</i>						

Abbreviations: ODA = official development assistance, OOF = other official flows; USD = United States dollars.

^a Parties should fill in a separate table for each year, namely 20XX-3 and 20XX-2, where 20XX is the reporting year.

^b Parties should report, to the extent possible, on details contained in this table.

^c Parties should explain, in their biennial reports, the methodologies used to specify the funds as provided, committed and/or pledged. Parties will provide the information for as many status categories as appropriate in the following order of priority: provided, committed, pledged.

^d Parties may select several applicable sectors. Parties may report sectoral distribution, as applicable, under "Other".

^e Parties should report, as appropriate, on project details and the implementing agency.

^f Parties should explain in their biennial reports how they define funds as being climate-specific.

^g Please specify.

^h This refers to funding for activities which are cross-cutting across mitigation and adaptation.

Table 8

Provision of technology development and transfer support^{a,b}

<i>Recipient country and/or region</i>	<i>Targeted area</i>	<i>Measures and activities related to technology transfer</i>	<i>Sector^c</i>	<i>Source of the funding for technology transfer</i>	<i>Activities undertaken by</i>	<i>Status</i>	<i>Additional information^d</i>
	<i>Mitigation Adaptation Mitigation and adaptation</i>		<i>Energy Transport Industry Agriculture Water and sanitation Other</i>	<i>Private Public Private and public</i>	<i>Private Public Private and public</i>	<i>Implemented Planned</i>	

^a To be reported to the extent possible.

^b The tables should include measures and activities since the last national communication or biennial report.

^c Parties may report sectoral disaggregation, as appropriate.

^d Additional information may include, for example, funding for technology development and transfer provided, a short description of the measure or activity and co-financing arrangements.

Table 9

Provision of capacity-building support^a

<i>Recipient country/ region</i>	<i>Targeted area</i>	<i>Programme or project title</i>	<i>Description of programme or project^{b,c}</i>
	<i>Mitigation</i>		
	<i>Adaptation</i>		
	<i>Technology development and transfer</i>		
	<i>Multiple areas</i>		

^a To be reported to the extent possible.

^b Each Party included in Annex II to the Convention shall provide information, to the extent possible, on how it has provided capacity-building support that responds to the existing and emerging capacity-building needs identified by Parties not included in Annex I to the Convention in the areas of mitigation, adaptation and technology development and transfer.

^c Additional information may be provided on, for example, the measure or activity and co-financing arrangements.

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8 December 2012*

Decision 20/CP.18

Status of submission and review of fifth national communications from Parties included in Annex I to the Convention and compilation and synthesis of fifth national communications from Parties included in Annex I to the Convention

The Conference of the Parties,

Recalling Article 2, Article 3, paragraph 1, Article 4, paragraph 2(a) and (b), Article 12 and other relevant provisions of the Convention,

Also recalling decisions 2/CP.1, 3/CP.1, 6/CP.3, 11/CP.4, 4/CP.5, 26/CP.7, 33/CP.7, 4/CP.8, 1/CP.9, 7/CP.11, 10/CP.13, 9/CP.16 and 2/CP.17,

Emphasizing that the national communications and annual greenhouse gas inventories submitted by Parties included in Annex I to the Convention (Annex I Parties) are the main source of information for reviewing the implementation of the Convention by these Parties, and that the reports of the in-depth reviews of these national communications provide important additional information for this purpose,

Welcoming the work of the secretariat in preparing the compilation and synthesis of the fifth national communications,¹

Acknowledging the considerable improvement in the timeliness of the submission of national communications from Annex I Parties and noting that 16 Annex I Parties submitted their fifth national communications before the due date in accordance with decision 10/CP.13, although 24 submitted after that date and one Party has yet to submit its national communication,

1. *Urges* the Party included in Annex I to the Convention (Annex I Party) that has not yet submitted the fifth national communication in accordance with decision 10/CP.13 to do so as a matter of priority;
2. *Requests* Annex I Parties to submit to the secretariat their future national communications, in accordance with Article 12, paragraphs 1 and 2, of the Convention, in a timely manner in accordance with decisions 9/CP.16 and 2/CP.17.

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¹ FCCC/SBI/2011/INF.1 and Add.1 and 2.

Decision 21/CP.18

Capacity-building under the Convention for countries with economies in transition

The Conference of the Parties,

Recalling decisions 3/CP.7, 9/CP.9, 3/CP.10 and 2/CP.17,

Acknowledging that capacity-building for countries with economies in transition is essential to enable them to implement effectively their commitments under the Convention,

Having considered the information in documents prepared by the secretariat in support of the third review of the implementation of the framework for capacity-building in countries with economies in transition established under decision 3/CP.7,¹

1. *Recognizes* that:

(a) Significant progress has been made in building the capacity of countries with economies in transition to mitigate and adapt to climate change; some countries with economies in transition have not only been the recipients of assistance but have also started to transfer their own expertise, knowledge and lessons learned on capacity-building to Parties not included in Annex I to the Convention;

(b) Parties included in Annex I to the Convention have provided adequate resources and assistance for the implementation of the framework for capacity-building in countries with economies in transition established under decision 3/CP.7;

(c) Notwithstanding the progress made, those countries with economies in transition that are currently receiving support are in need of further capacity-building, in particular for the development and implementation of their national low-carbon development strategies consistent with their national priorities and with their emission reduction targets;

2. *Reaffirms* that the scope of the needs identified in the framework for capacity-building in countries with economies in transition established under decision 3/CP.7 and the key factors identified in decision 3/CP.10 remain relevant and continue to be the basis for, and guide the implementation of, capacity-building activities in those countries with economies in transition that are currently receiving support;

3. *Invites* Parties included in Annex II to the Convention and other Parties in a position to do so, the Global Environment Facility within its mandate, multilateral and bilateral agencies, other international organizations, and the private sector, or any further arrangements as appropriate, to continue to provide support for capacity-building activities in those countries with economies in transition that are currently receiving support;

4. *Decides* to conclude the third review and to conduct the fourth review of the implementation of the framework for capacity-building in countries with economies in transition at the forty-sixth session of the Subsidiary Body for Implementation, with a view to completing this review at the twenty-third session of the Conference of the Parties;

5. *Invites* Parties and relevant organizations to submit to the secretariat, by February 2016, information on how they have implemented capacity-building activities in those countries with economies in transition that are currently receiving support; Parties could

¹ FCCC/SBI/2012/10 and FCCC/SBI/2012/MISC.5.

include this information as part of their annual submissions on capacity-building in accordance with decision 4/CP.12, paragraph 1(a);

6. *Requests* the secretariat to compile and synthesize the information referred to in paragraph 5 above and make it available for consideration by the Subsidiary Body for Implementation at its forty-sixth session.

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Decision 22/CP.18

Activities implemented jointly under the pilot phase

The Conference of the Parties,

Recalling decisions 5/CP.1, 10/CP.3, 13/CP.5, 8/CP.7, 14/CP.8, 10/CP.10, 6/CP.12, 7/CP.14 and 8/CP.16,

Having considered the conclusions of the Subsidiary Body for Scientific and Technological Advice at its thirty-seventh session,

Considering that reports on activities implemented jointly have provided a rich opportunity for learning-by-doing and that no further reports have been submitted by Parties since 2006,

Recognizing that other channels for providing similar information exist,

Decides to conclude the pilot phase for activities implemented jointly.

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7 December 2012*

Decision 23/CP.18

Promoting gender balance and improving the participation of women in UNFCCC negotiations and in the representation of Parties in bodies established pursuant to the Convention or the Kyoto Protocol

The Conference of the Parties,

Recalling decision 36/CP.7 on improving the participation of women in the representation of Parties in bodies established under the Convention or the Kyoto Protocol,

Acknowledging the recent progress made under the Convention and the Kyoto Protocol in advancing gender balance and women's empowerment in international climate change policy under the guidance of decision 1/CP.13 (Bali Action Plan) and decisions taken at its sixteenth and seventeenth sessions,¹ as well as in various bodies and programmes under the Convention,

Noting that notwithstanding the efforts made by Parties to implement decision 36/CP.7, women continue to be underrepresented in bodies established under the Convention and the Kyoto Protocol,

Recognizing the need for women to be represented in all aspects of the UNFCCC process, including through membership of their national delegations and the chairing and facilitation of formal and informal negotiating groups, in order to inform gender-responsive climate policy,

Also recognizing the importance of a balanced representation of women from developing and developed country Parties in the UNFCCC process so that gender-responsive climate policy responds to the differing needs of men and women in national and local contexts,

Considering the importance of ensuring coherence between the participation of women in the UNFCCC process and the principles and objectives of international instruments and relevant multilateral processes, such as the Convention on the Elimination of All Forms of Discrimination against Women and the Beijing Declaration and Platform for Action, which recognize the importance of women's empowerment and their full participation on equal terms with men in all spheres of society, including participation in decision-making processes and access to power,

Acknowledging the outcome of the United Nations Conference on Sustainable Development, in particular the recognition of women's leadership and their vital role in achieving sustainable development and the emphasis on the impact of setting specific targets and implementing temporary measures, as appropriate, for substantially increasing the number of women in leadership positions, with the aim of achieving gender parity,²

Recognizing the advances made by Parties in the promotion of gender balance and the empowerment of women,

¹ Including for example, decisions 1/CP.16, 6/CP.16, 7/CP.16, 2/CP.17, 3/CP.17, 5/CP.17, 6/CP.17, 12/CP.17 and 13/CP.17.

² *The Future We Want*, outcome document of the United Nations Conference on Sustainable Development, adopted on 21 June 2012 (United Nations General Assembly resolution A/RES/66/288, para. 237).

1. *Agrees* that additional efforts need to be made by all Parties to improve the participation of women in bodies established pursuant to the Convention and the Kyoto Protocol as envisaged in decision 36/CP.7;
2. *Decides* to enhance decision 36/CP.7 by adopting a goal of gender balance in bodies established pursuant to the Convention and the Kyoto Protocol, in order to improve women's participation and inform more effective climate change policy that addresses the needs of women and men equally;
3. *Invites* current and future chairs of such bodies to be guided by the goal of gender balance when setting up informal negotiating groups and consultation mechanisms, such as contact groups, spin-off groups and panels, and nominating their facilitators and chairs;
4. *Also invites* other institutions established pursuant to the Convention and the Kyoto Protocol to be guided by the goal of gender balance, with the aim of a gradual but significant increase in the participation of women towards achieving this goal and review progress made at the twenty-second session of the Conference of the Parties;
5. *Further invites* Parties to commit to meeting the goal of gender balance by, inter alia, nominating women to bodies established under the Convention and the Kyoto Protocol with the aim of a gradual but significant increase in the participation of women towards achieving this goal, and review progress made at the twenty-second session of the Conference of the Parties;
6. *Invites* Parties to encourage more women to be candidates for positions within bodies established pursuant to the Convention and the Kyoto Protocol and to give due consideration to nominating female representatives to these bodies;
7. *Also invites* Parties to strive for gender balance in their delegations to sessions under the Convention and the Kyoto Protocol;
8. *Requests* the secretariat to maintain information on the gender composition of constituted bodies established under the Convention and the Kyoto Protocol, including information on the representation of women from regional groups, to gather information on the gender composition of delegations to sessions under the Convention and the Kyoto Protocol and to report this information to the Conference of the Parties for its consideration on an annual basis, in order to enable the tracking of progress made towards the goal of gender balance in advancing gender-sensitive climate policy;
9. *Decides* to add the issue of gender and climate change as a standing item on the agenda of sessions of the Conference of the Parties to allow the Conference of the Parties to consider the information referred to in paragraph 8 above;
10. *Requests* the secretariat to organize, in conjunction with the nineteenth session of the Conference of the Parties, an in-session workshop on gender balance in the UNFCCC process, gender-sensitive climate policy and capacity-building activities to promote the greater participation of women in the UNFCCC process;
11. *Also requests* Parties and observer organizations to submit to the secretariat, by 2 September 2013, their views on options and ways to advance the goal referred to in paragraph 2 above;
12. *Further requests* the secretariat to compile those submissions into a miscellaneous document for consideration by the Conference of the Parties at its nineteenth session;
13. *Takes note* of the estimated budgetary implications of the activities to be undertaken by the secretariat pursuant to the provisions contained in paragraphs 8, 10 and 12 above;
14. *Requests* that the actions of the secretariat called for in this decision be undertaken subject to the availability of financial resources;

15. *Invites* the Conference of the Parties serving as the meeting of the Parties to the Kyoto Protocol to endorse this decision.

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Decision 24/CP.18

Economic diversification initiative

The Conference of the Parties,

Recalling decisions 1/CP.13 (Bali Action Plan), 1/CP.16 and 2/CP.17,

Recognizing that climate change calls for the widest possible cooperation by all countries, and that measures taken by Parties on their low-emission development path and Parties' efforts to diversify their economies will reflect their national circumstances,

Welcoming the announcements made by developing country Parties in their national statements at the high-level segment of the session,

1. *Takes note of and welcomes* the submission from Bahrain, Saudi Arabia, Qatar and United Arab Emirates indicating their readiness to put forward their current actions and plans in pursuit of economic diversification that have co-benefits in the form of emission reductions, adaptation to the impacts of climate change and response measures;¹
2. *Decides* that the relevant aspects of such actions and plans will be anchored under decision 1/CP.13, paragraph 1(b)(ii), and *invites* the Parties concerned and other Parties to submit further information on their actions and plans to the secretariat;
3. *Decides* that measurement, reporting and verification of the relevant aspects of actions and plans submitted under this decision will proceed as per the arrangements established by decisions 1/CP.16, 2/CP.17 and 1/CP.18 taking into account the broader objectives of the actions to be presented;
4. *Affirms* that this decision does not affect eligibility for support under the Convention.

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8 December 2012*

¹ FCCC/CP/2012/MISC.2.

Decision 25/CP.18

Administrative, financial and institutional matters

The Conference of the Parties,

Recalling decision 18/CP.17, in which the programme budget for the biennium 2012–2013 was approved and the Executive Secretary was requested to report to the Conference of the Parties at its eighteenth session on income and budget performance and to propose any adjustments that might be needed in the programme budget for the biennium 2012–2013,

Also recalling paragraph 11 of the financial procedures of the Conference of the Parties,¹

Having considered the information contained in the documents prepared by the secretariat on administrative, financial and institutional matters,²

I. Audited financial statements for the biennium 2010–2011

1. *Takes note* of the audited financial statements for the biennium 2010–2011, the audit report of the United Nations Board of Auditors, which includes recommendations, and the comments of the secretariat thereon;
2. *Expresses its appreciation* to the United Nations for arranging the audits of the accounts of the Convention and for the valuable observations and recommendations of the auditors;
3. *Urges* the Executive Secretary to implement the recommendations of the auditors, as appropriate;

II. Budget performance for the biennium 2012–2013

4. *Takes note* of the reporting on budget performance for the biennium 2012–2013 as at 30 June 2012 and of the updated status of contributions as at 15 November 2012 to the trust funds administered by the secretariat;
5. *Expresses its appreciation* to Parties that have paid their contributions to the core budget in a timely manner;
6. *Calls upon* Parties that have not paid their contributions to the core budget to do so without delay, bearing in mind that contributions are due on 1 January of each year in accordance with the financial procedures of the Conference of the Parties;
7. *Expresses its appreciation* for the contributions received from Parties to the Trust Fund for Participation in the UNFCCC Process and to the Trust Fund for Supplementary Activities;
8. *Urges* Parties to further contribute to the Trust Fund for Participation in the UNFCCC Process, in order to ensure the widest possible participation in the negotiations in 2013, and to the Trust Fund for Supplementary Activities;

¹ Decision 15/CP.1, annex I.

² FCCC/SBI/2012/23, FCCC/SBI/2012/24 and Add.1 and 2 and FCCC/SBI/2012/INF.12 and Corr.1.

9. *Reiterates its appreciation* to the Government of Germany for its annual voluntary contribution to the core budget of EUR 766,938 and its special contribution of EUR 1,789,522 as Host Government to the secretariat in Bonn;

10. *Welcomes* the Executive Secretary's commitment to increasing the cost-effectiveness of the secretariat's operations and, in this context, the efforts undertaken by the secretariat, in cooperation with the Government of Germany, to consolidate Bonn as the hub for UNFCCC sessions and meetings, in order to reduce costs and further enhance the facilities and services made available at the secretariat's headquarters;

III. Programme budget for the biennium 2014–2015

11. *Requests* the Executive Secretary to submit, for consideration by the Subsidiary Body for Implementation at its thirty-eighth session, a proposed programme budget for the biennium 2014–2015;

12. *Also requests* the Executive Secretary, when preparing the programme budget for the biennium 2014–2015, to prepare a contingency for funding conference services, should this prove necessary in the light of decisions taken by the General Assembly at its sixty-eighth session;

13. *Requests* the Subsidiary Body for Implementation to recommend, at its thirty-eighth session, a programme budget for adoption by the Conference of the Parties at its nineteenth session and by the Conference of the Parties serving as the meeting of the Parties to the Kyoto Protocol at its ninth session;

14. *Also requests* the Subsidiary Body for Implementation to authorize the Executive Secretary to notify Parties of their indicative contributions for 2014 on the basis of the recommended budget.

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7 December 2012*

Decision 26/CP.18

Dates and venues of future sessions

The Conference of the Parties,

Recalling Article 7, paragraph 4, of the Convention,

Also recalling United Nations General Assembly resolution 40/243 of 18 December 1985 on the pattern of conferences,

Further recalling rule 22, paragraph 1, of the draft rules of procedure being applied regarding the rotation of the office of President among the five regional groups,

I. Dates and venues of future sessions

A. Nineteenth session of the Conference of the Parties and ninth session of the Conference of the Parties serving as the meeting of the Parties to the Kyoto Protocol

1. *Decides* to accept with appreciation the offer by the Government of Poland to host the nineteenth session of the Conference of the Parties and the ninth session of the Conference of the Parties serving as the meeting of the Parties to the Kyoto Protocol in Warsaw, Poland, from Monday, 11 November to Friday, 22 November 2013, subject to confirmation by the Bureau of the Conference of the Parties and the Conference of the Parties serving as the meeting of the Parties to the Kyoto Protocol that all logistical, technical and financial elements for hosting the sessions are available, in conformity with United Nations General Assembly resolution 40/243, and subject to the successful conclusion of a Host Country Agreement;

2. *Requests* the Executive Secretary to continue consultations with the Government of Poland and to negotiate a Host Country Agreement for convening the sessions that complies with the provisions of the United Nations administrative instruction ST/AI/342, with a view to concluding and signing the Host Country Agreement not later than the thirty-eighth sessions of the Subsidiary Body for Scientific and Technological Advice and the Subsidiary Body for Implementation;

B. Twentieth session of the Conference of the Parties and tenth session of the Conference of the Parties serving as the meeting of the Parties to the Kyoto Protocol

3. *Notes* that in keeping with the principle of rotation among regional groups, the President of the twentieth session of the Conference of the Parties and the tenth session of the Conference of the Parties serving as the meeting of the Parties to the Kyoto Protocol would come from the Latin America and Caribbean States;

4. *Invites* Parties to consult further on the hosting of the twentieth session of the Conference of the Parties and the tenth session of the Conference of the Parties serving as the meeting of the Parties to the Kyoto Protocol from Wednesday, 3 December to Sunday, 14 December 2014, with a view to concluding these consultations not later than the thirty-eighth session of the Subsidiary Body for Implementation;

5. *Requests* the Subsidiary Body for Implementation, at its thirty-eighth session, to consider the issue of the host of the twentieth session of the Conference of the Parties and the tenth session of the Conference of the Parties serving as the meeting of the Parties to the Kyoto Protocol, and to recommend a draft decision on this matter to the Conference of the Parties for adoption at its nineteenth session;

C. Twenty-first session of the Conference of the Parties and eleventh session of the Conference of the Parties serving as the meeting of the Parties to the Kyoto Protocol

6. *Takes note* of the offer of the Government of France to host the twenty-first session of the Conference of the Parties and the eleventh session of the Conference of the Parties serving as the meeting of the Parties to the Kyoto Protocol from Wednesday, 2 December to Sunday, 13 December 2015;

7. *Invites* Parties to consult further on the host of the twenty-first session of the Conference of the Parties and the eleventh session of the Conference of the Parties serving as the meeting of the Parties to the Kyoto Protocol, with a view to concluding these consultations not later than the thirty-eighth session of the Subsidiary Body for Implementation;

8. *Requests* the Subsidiary Body for Implementation, at its thirty-eighth session, to consider the issue of the host of the twenty-first session of the Conference of the Parties and the eleventh session of the Conference of the Parties serving as the meeting of the Parties to the Kyoto Protocol, and to recommend a draft decision on this matter to the Conference of the Parties for adoption at its nineteenth session;

II. Calendar of meetings of the Convention bodies

9. *Decides* to adopt the following dates for the sessional periods in 2017;¹

- Wednesday, 10 May to Sunday, 21 May;
- Wednesday, 29 November to Sunday, 10 December.

*9th plenary meeting
7 December 2012*

¹ As recommended by the Subsidiary Body for Implementation at its thirty-sixth session (FCCC/SBI/2012/15, para. 237).

Resolution 1/CP.18

Expression of gratitude to the Government of the State of Qatar and the people of the city of Doha

The Conference of the Parties and the Conference of the Parties serving as the meeting of the Parties to the Kyoto Protocol,

Having met in Doha from 26 November to 7 December 2012 at the invitation of the Government of the State of Qatar,

1. *Express their profound gratitude* to the Government of the State of Qatar for having made it possible for the eighteenth session of the Conference of the Parties and the eight session of the Conference of the Parties serving as the meeting of the Parties to the Kyoto Protocol to be held in Doha;
2. *Request* the Government of the State of Qatar to convey to the people of Doha the gratitude of the Conference of the Parties and the Conference of the Parties serving as the meeting of the Parties to the Kyoto Protocol for the hospitality and warmth extended to the participants.

*9th plenary meeting
8 December 2012*