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of a framework convention on climate change

Note by the secretariat

Corrigendum to Addendum 3*

* This Corrigendum contains additional material which was conveyed to the secretariat by the authors of the original Paper No. 16. The material contained herein has been reflected in document A/AC.237/Misc.2/Rev.1.

Paper No. 16: Vanuatu

1. Page 22, paragraph 1.1, Problem

The fourth entry should read

The very existence of low-lying coastal and small vulnerable island countries is placed at risk by the adverse consequences of climate change, particularly sea level rise.

2. Page 23, paragraph 1.4

Replace subparagraphs (b), (c), (d), (e) and (f) by the following:

- (b) UNGA Resolutions 43/53 and 44/207 recognize climate change as a common concern of mankind and urge that action should be taken at a global level to combat climate change
- (c) UNGA Resolution 44/206 recognizes the possible adverse effects of sea level rise on islands and coastal areas, particularly low-lying coastal areas
- (d) General Assembly Resolution 44/228 convening the UNCED
- (e) The First Assessment Report of the IPCC
- (f) UNGA Resolution 45/212 convening the Intergovernmental Negotiating Committee for a Framework Convention on Climate Change
- (g) The Ministerial Declaration of the Second World Climate Conference (A/45/696/Add.1, annex III)

3. Page 24

Replace paragraphs 3.2, 3.3, 3.4, 3.5, 3.6, 3.7 and 3.8 by the following:

- 3.2 The Principle of Inter-connectedness: the principle that all elements of the ecosystem are linked, interrelated, and interdependent, so that actions in one area influence and have effects upon other areas.
- 3.3 The Polluter Pays Principle: the principle that those responsible for causing damage to the environment bear the responsibility for rectifying that damage.
- 3.4 Sustainable Development
- 3.5 Equity: Action to be taken should be based on equity, in accordance with the proportionate contributions to the problem, with due regard to the development requirements of developing countries, especially those whose current emissions are low.

- 3.6 Differentiated Responsibility: There should be different targets with different time-frames for different categories of countries so that the right to development of developing countries is taken into account. Countries with low energy consumption can set appropriate targets by, inter alia, taking advantage of more energy efficient and less pollutive technologies.
- 3.7 Inter-generational Equity: the duty of all States to preserve and protect natural capital for the benefit of present and future generations.
- 3.8 Liability: This Convention shall be without prejudice to the application of the rules of international law governing the liability of States.
- 3.9 Relevant Scientific, Technical and Economic Considerations: Implementation of this Convention shall be based on relevant scientific and technical considerations. Action shall be taken by the parties in accordance with the means at their disposal and their capabilities.
- 3.10 Clean Production

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Paragraph 4.5 should read

- 4.5 Consideration of specific localised problems including coral bleaching (and related damage to near-shore marine systems and harvestable resources), increasing hurricane intensity, hydrology and storm surges.
