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**Ad Hoc Working Group on Further Commitments  
for Annex I Parties under the Kyoto Protocol****Report of the Ad Hoc Working Group on Further  
Commitments for Annex I Parties under the Kyoto Protocol  
on the third and fourth parts of its sixteenth session, held in  
Panama City from 1 to 7 October 2011, and Durban from  
29 November to 10 December 2011****Contents**

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## **I. Opening of the session**

(Agenda item 1)

1. The sixteenth session of the Ad Hoc Working Group on Further Commitments for Annex I Parties under the Kyoto Protocol (AWG-KP) was opened in Bangkok, Thailand, on 5 April 2011, and resumed in Bonn, Germany, on 7 June 2011, as referred to in the report on the first two parts of the session, contained in document FCCC/KP/AWG/2011/4.

### **A. Host Government welcoming ceremony**

2. On Saturday, 1 October 2011, a welcoming ceremony organized by the Government of Panama was held in Panama City, Panama, to mark the opening of the third part of the sixteenth session of the AWG-KP and the third part of the fourteenth session of the Ad Hoc Working Group on Long-term Cooperative Action under the Convention.

3. Statements were made by Ms. Christiana Figueres, Executive Secretary of the UNFCCC, and Mr. Roberto C. Henriquez, Minister of Foreign Affairs of Panama.

### **B. Opening and resumption of the session**

4. The third part of the sixteenth session of the AWG-KP was held at the Centro de Convenciones ATLAPA in Panama City from 1 to 7 October 2011. The Chair of the AWG-KP, Mr. Adrian Macey (New Zealand), opened the third part of the sixteenth session on 1 October. He welcomed all Parties and observers, and expressed his appreciation to the Government of Panama for hosting the third part of the sixteenth session of the AWG-KP.

5. The session was suspended on 7 October and was resumed at the International Convention Centre and Durban Exhibition Centre in Durban, South Africa, from 29 November to 10 December 2011.

6. The Chair opened the fourth part of the sixteenth session of the AWG-KP on 29 November and welcomed all Parties and observers to the seventh plenary meeting of the session.

## **II. Organizational matters**

(Agenda item 2)

### **A. Adoption of the agenda**

(Agenda item 2(a))

7. The agenda for the sixteenth session of the AWG-KP was adopted at its 1<sup>st</sup> meeting held on 5 April 2011 in Bangkok.<sup>1</sup>

### **B. Organization of the work of the session**

(Agenda item 2(b))

8. The AWG-KP considered this sub-item at its 5<sup>th</sup> meeting, on 1 October, and at its 7<sup>th</sup> meeting, on 29 November.

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<sup>1</sup> FCCC/KP/AWG/2011/4, paragraph 7.

9. At the 5<sup>th</sup> meeting in Panama City, the Chair referred to the scenario note prepared for the third part of the session, contained in document FCCC/KP/AWG/2011/5. The Chair then outlined his proposed sequence of work for the session. The AWG-KP agreed to the proposed organization of the work.

10. At the 7<sup>th</sup> meeting in Durban, the AWG-KP agreed to the Chair's proposed sequence of work for the session as well as to his organization of work as per his scenario note contained in document FCCC/KP/AWG/2011/6.

### **III. Consideration of further commitments for Annex I Parties under the Kyoto Protocol**

(Agenda item 3)

#### **1. Proceedings**

11. The AWG-KP considered this item at its 5<sup>th</sup>, 6<sup>th</sup>, 7<sup>th</sup> and 8<sup>th</sup> meetings, on 1 and 7 October, 29 November and 10 December, respectively.

12. At its 5<sup>th</sup> meeting, the AWG-KP had before it documents FCCC/KP/AWG/2011/5 and FCCC/KP/AWG/2011/CRP.1.

13. At the same meeting, the Chair assured the AWG-KP of the recognition at the highest political level of the importance of the outcome on the Kyoto Protocol, and notably the question of the second commitment period in the Durban outcome. The Chair underlined this statement by quoting the President of the Republic of South Africa, Mr. Jacob Zuma, who said: "We cannot avoid addressing the end of the first commitment period of the Kyoto Protocol in 2012. The international community will therefore be once again at a crossroads in Durban. Any decision on the future of the Kyoto Protocol will inevitably be part of the broader question of the future and nature of the climate change regime".

14. The Chair acknowledged that the work of the AWG-KP on resolving the key political issues in 2011 had been helpful, and clarity had been gained in understanding Parties' concerns. He added, recalling decision 1/CMP.6, that there was a need to make progress at the third part of the session and find a zone of convergence to that end.

15. The Chair encouraged the AWG-KP to persist in its effort to streamline the text contained in document FCCC/KP/AWG/2011/CRP.1 so as to get as mature a text as possible for consideration at the Conference of the Parties serving as the meeting of the Parties to the Kyoto Protocol (CMP) in December.

16. A statement was made by the incoming Presidency of the CMP to report on the informal meetings that took place outside of, but that are relevant to, the AWG-KP process since the second part of the sixteenth session of the AWG-KP.

17. Statements were then made by representatives of 13 Parties, including statements on behalf of the Group of 77 and China, the African Group, the European Union (EU) and its 27 member States, the Umbrella Group, the least developed countries (LDCs), the Environmental Integrity Group (EIG), the Alliance of Small Island States (AOSIS), the Coalition for Rainforest Nations, the Arab Group, the Central American Integration System (SICA), the Bolivarian Alliance for the Peoples of Our America – Peoples' Trade Treaty (ALBA) and the Cartagena Dialogue. In addition, statements were made on behalf of business and industry non-governmental organizations (BINGOs), indigenous peoples' organizations (IPOs) and by two representatives of environmental non-governmental organizations (ENGOs).

18. At the 6<sup>th</sup> meeting the Chair reported on the progress made during the session and presented his revised proposal to facilitate negotiations contained in document FCCC/KP/AWG/2011/CRP.2/Rev.1.

19. He noted that some of the issues encompassed in the text still required technical work, whereas others were technically complete but awaited political decisions. He also observed that there was a strong wish by all Parties to complete the work of AWG-KP in Durban.

20. The Chair asked the AWG-KP to use the time before the COP 17/CMP 7 sessions to further develop ideas for convergence, and thanked Parties for their constructive engagement in the discussion.

21. In addition to a statement made by the incoming Presidency, statements were made by representatives of 15 Parties, including statements on behalf of the Group of 77 and China, EIG, the Umbrella Group, the EU and its 27 member States, AOSIS, the African Group, LDCs, the Arab Group, ALBA, the Coalition for Rainforest Nations, and SICA. Statements were also made on behalf of IPOs, the trade union non-governmental organizations (TUNGOS), the youth non-governmental organizations (YOUNGOS) and by two representatives of ENGOs.

22. At its 7<sup>th</sup> meeting on 29 November, the AWG-KP had before it the revised proposal by the Chair to facilitate negotiations as streamlined at the third part of its sixteenth session and the scenario note on the fourth part of the session, respectively, contained in documents FCCC/KP/AWG/2011/CRP.2/Rev.1 and FCCC/KP/AWG/2011/6.

23. The Chair recalled that the contact group established at the first part of the sixteenth session of the AWG-KP had proved to be helpful and proposed that it take a prominent role during the fourth part of the sixteenth session with a view to bringing together the elements of a possible AWG-KP package on all issues under discussion.

24. He also recognized the role of a substantive outcome under the AWG-KP in a broader Durban outcome, but noted that this was beyond the scope of the AWG-KP and may involve the COP 17/CMP 7 Presidency.

25. Statements were made by representatives of 13 Parties, including statements on behalf of the Group of 77 and China, the Umbrella Group, EIG, the EU and its 27 member States, the African Group, AOSIS, LDCs, SICA, ALBA, the Coalition for Rainforest Nations, and the Arab Group. Two Parties delivered statements with a view to providing the AWG-KP with updates on the meetings that took place before the Durban sessions and outside of the UNFCCC process. In addition, statements were made on behalf of BINGOs, IPOs, TUNGOS, YOUNGOS and by two representatives of ENGOs.

26. At its 8<sup>th</sup> meeting on 10 December, the AWG-KP had before it documents FCCC/KP/AWG/2011/L.3, FCCC/KP/AWG/2011/L.3/Add.1–5 that contained draft decisions prepared by the AWG-KP reflecting the outcome from the work of the group.

27. The Chair briefly presented the outcomes of the work conducted during the previous two weeks both at the technical level and at the political or ministerial level, and recalled that as mandated by decision 2/CMP.6, the AWG-KP had also considered the synthesis report of the technical assessments of the forest management reference level submissions contained in document FCCC/KP/AWG/2011/INF.2 in the context of its work on a draft decision on land use, land-use change and forestry. He informed the AWG-KP that he would forward the outcome of this work to the CMP through the Chair's report to the CMP.

28. Interventions were made by 18 Parties to propose changes to the draft decisions contained in the documents referred to in paragraph 26 above.

## **2. Conclusions**

29. The Chair, in the light of the discussion held at the 8<sup>th</sup> plenary meeting, concluded that the AWG-KP was not able to agree on the draft decision texts to be forwarded to the CMP. He informed the AWG-KP that he would, under his own authority, and taking into account the discussion, forward the draft decision texts to the CMP for consideration. The texts, as forwarded by the Chair to the CMP, are contained in documents FCCC/KP/AWG/2011/L.3/Add.2–6.

## **IV. Other matters**

(Agenda item 4)

30. This item was considered at the 5<sup>th</sup> and 7<sup>th</sup> meetings of the AWG-KP plenary.

31. No other matters were raised.

## **V. Report on the third and fourth parts of the session**

(Agenda item 5)

32. At its 8<sup>th</sup> meeting, on 10 December, the AWG-KP considered the draft report contained in document FCCC/KP/AWG/2011/L.2.

33. At the same meeting, the AWG-KP adopted the draft report on the third and fourth parts of its sixteenth session.

34. In the absence of the Rapporteur, the AWG-KP agreed to the Chair authorizing the Rapporteur to complete the report on the third and fourth parts of the session under his guidance with the assistance of the secretariat and to make it available to Parties.

## **VI. Suspension and closure of the session**

35. At the 6<sup>th</sup> meeting, on 7 October, the Chair reminded Parties of the agreement reached during the session to suspend it once more, so as to maximize the use of time in Durban. The AWG-KP, therefore, decided to proceed with the suspension of the session and the Chair then declared the sixteenth session of the AWG-KP suspended.

36. At the 8<sup>th</sup> and final meeting, the Chair thanked the Vice-Chair for her work throughout the year, as well as the team of co-facilitators who worked on the various issues. He also thanked the interpreters for their service throughout the session and the secretariat team that worked with him. The Chair finally thanked the CMP President and her team for their excellent collaboration during the session.

37. The Chair then declared the sixteenth session of the AWG-KP closed.

## Annex

### **Documents prepared for the Ad Hoc Working Group on Further Commitments for Annex I Parties under the Kyoto Protocol at its sixteenth session**

#### **Documents prepared for the session**

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| FCCC/KP/AWG/2011/1     | Provisional agenda and annotations. Note by the Executive Secretary   |
| FCCC/KP/AWG/2011/2     | Scenario note on the sixteenth session. Note by the Chair   |
| FCCC/KP/AWG/2011/3     | Scenario note on the second part of the sixteenth session. Note by the Chair  |
| FCCC/KP/AWG/2011/4     | Report of the Ad Hoc Working Group on Further Commitments for Annex I Parties under the Kyoto Protocol on the first and second parts of its sixteenth session, held in Bangkok from 5 to 8 April 2011, and Bonn from 7 to 17 June 2011                        |
| FCCC/KP/AWG/2011/5     | Scenario note on the third part of the sixteenth session. Note by the Chair   |
| FCCC/KP/AWG/2011/6     | Scenario note on the fourth part of the sixteenth session. Note by the Chair  |
| FCCC/KP/AWG/2011/INF.1 | Information on the report on the workshop on assumptions and conditions related to the attainment of economy-wide emission reduction targets by the developed country Parties. Note by the secretariat  |
| FCCC/KP/AWG/2011/INF.2 | Synthesis report of the technical assessments of the forest management reference level submissions. Note by the secretariat   |
| FCCC/KP/AWG/2011/L.1   | Draft report of the Ad Hoc Working Group on Further Commitments for Annex I Parties under the Kyoto Protocol on its sixteenth session   |
| FCCC/KP/AWG/2011/L.2   | Draft report of the Ad Hoc Working Group on Further Commitments for Annex I Parties under the Kyoto Protocol on the third and fourth parts of its sixteenth session held in Panama from 1 to 7 October 2011 and in Durban from 29 November to x December 2011 |

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| FCCC/KP/AWG/2011/L.3                      | Consideration of further commitments for Annex I Parties under the Kyoto Protocol. Draft conclusions proposed by the Chair  |
| FCCC/KP/AWG/2011/L.3/Add.1-6              | Consideration of further commitments for Annex I Parties under the Kyoto Protocol   |
| FCCC/KP/AWG/2011/CRP.1                    | Revised proposal by the Chair to facilitate negotiations  |
| FCCC/KP/AWG/2011/CRP.2/Rev.1              | Revised proposal by the Chair to facilitate negotiations  |
| <b>Other documents before the session</b> |   |
| FCCC/KP/AWG/2010/18 and Add.1             | Report of the Ad Hoc Working Group on Further Commitments for Annex I Parties under the Kyoto Protocol on its fifteenth session, held in Cancun from 29 November to 10 December 2010  |
| FCCC/KP/CMP/2010/12/Add.1                 | Report of the Conference of the Parties serving as the meeting of the Parties to the Kyoto Protocol on its sixth session, held in Cancun from 29 November to 10 December 2010. Part Two: Action taken by the Conference of the Parties serving as the meeting of the Parties to the Kyoto Protocol at its sixth session |
| FCCC/AWGLCA/2011/7                        | Workshop on assumptions and conditions related to the attainment of quantified economy-wide emission reduction targets by developed country Parties, as requested by decision 1/CP.16, paragraph 38. Report by the Co-Chairs of the workshop  |
| FCCC/SB/2011/INF.1/Rev.1                  | Compilation of economy-wide emission reduction targets to be implemented by Parties included in Annex I to the Convention. Revised note by the secretariat  |

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