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IMPLEMENTATION OF THE BUENOS AIRES PLAN OF ACTION: ADOPTION OF THE DECISIONS GIVING EFFECT TO THE BONN AGREEMENTS

DRAFT DECISIONS FORWARDED FOR ELABORATION, COMPLETION AND ADOPTION

WORK PROGRAMME ON MECHANISMS (DECISIONS 7/CP.4 AND 14/CP.4)

Proposal by the President

Draft decision -/CP.7 (Mechanisms)

Principles, nature and scope of the mechanisms pursuant to Articles 6, 12 and 17 of the Kyoto Protocol

The Conference of the Parties,

Recalling its decision 1/CP.3, in particular paragraphs 5 (b), (c) and (e),

Further recalling its decisions 7/CP.4, 8/CP.4, 9/CP.4, 14/CP.5 and 5/CP.6, as appropriate,

Reaffirming the preamble to the Convention,

Recognizing that, in using the mechanisms, Parties shall be guided by the objective and principles contained in Articles 2 and 3 and by Article 4, paragraph 7, of the Convention,

Further recognizing that the Kyoto Protocol has not created or bestowed any right, title or entitlement to emissions of any kind on Parties included in Annex I,

Emphasizing that the Parties included in Annex I shall implement domestic action in accordance with national circumstances and with a view to reducing emissions in a manner conducive to narrowing per capita differences between developed and developing country Parties while working towards achievement of the ultimate objective of the Convention,

Affirming that the use of the mechanisms shall be supplemental to domestic action and that domestic action shall thus constitute a significant element of the effort made by each Party included in Annex I to meet its quantified emission limitation and reduction commitments under Article 3, paragraph 1,

Further emphasizing that environmental integrity is to be achieved through sound modalities, rules and guidelines for the mechanisms, sound and strong principles and rules governing land use, land-use change and forestry activities and a strong compliance regime,

Aware of decisions -/CP.7 (Article 6), -/CP.7 (Article 12), -/CP.7 (Article 17), -/CP.7 (Compliance), -/CP.7 (Land use, land-use change and forestry) and -/CP.7 (Modalities for accounting of assigned amounts),

Recommends that the Conference of the Parties serving as the meeting of the Parties to the Kyoto Protocol, at its first session, adopt the following decision:

Draft decision -/CMP.1 (Mechanisms)

Principles, nature and scope of the mechanisms pursuant to Articles 6, 12 and 17 of the Kyoto Protocol

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

Recalling decision 1/CP.3, in particular paragraphs 5 (b), (c) and (e),

Further recalling decisions 7/CP.4, 8/CP.4, 9/CP.4, 14/CP.5, 5/CP.6, -/CP.7 (Article 6), -/CP.7 (Article 12), -/CP.7 (Article 17), -/CP.7 (Compliance), -/CP.7 (Land use, land-use change and forestry), and -/CP.7 (Modalities for the accounting of assigned amounts), as appropriate,

Reaffirming the preamble to the Convention,

Recognizing that, in using the mechanisms, Parties shall be guided by the objective and principles contained in Articles 2 and 3 and by Article 4, paragraph 7, of the Convention,

Further recognizing that the Kyoto Protocol has not created or bestowed any right, title or entitlement to emissions of any kind on Parties included in Annex I,

Emphasizing that the Parties included in Annex I shall implement domestic action in accordance with national circumstances and with a view to reducing emissions in a manner conducive to narrowing per capita differences between developed and developing country Parties while working towards achievement of the ultimate objective of the Convention,

Further emphasizing that environmental integrity is to be achieved through sound modalities, rules and guidelines for the mechanisms, sound and strong principles and rules governing land use, land-use change and forestry activities, and a strong compliance regime,

Aware of its decisions -/CMP.1 (Article 6), -/CMP.1 (Article 12), -/CMP.1 (Article 17) and -/CMP.1 (Modalities for accounting of assigned amounts),

- 1. Decides that the use of the mechanisms shall be supplemental to domestic action and that domestic action shall thus constitute a significant element of the effort made by each Party included in Annex I to meet its quantified emission limitation and reduction commitments under Article 3, paragraph 1;
- 2. Requests the Parties included in Annex I to provide relevant information in relation to paragraph 1 above, in accordance with Article 7 of the Kyoto Protocol, for review under its Article 8;
- 3. *Decides* that the provision of such information shall take into account reporting on demonstrable progress as contained in decision -/CP.7 (Article 7);
- 4. *Requests* the facilitative branch of the Compliance Committee to address questions of implementation with respect to paragraphs 2. and 3. above;
- 5. Decides that the eligibility to participate in the mechanisms by a Party included in Annex I shall be dependent on its compliance with methodological and reporting requirements under Article 5, paragraphs 1 and 2, and Article 7, paragraphs 1 and 4, of the Kyoto Protocol with oversight being provided by the enforcement branch of the compliance committee, in accordance with the relevant provisions, and its being subject to the procedures and mechanisms on compliance under the Kyoto Protocol, as referred to in decision -/CP.7 (Compliance);
- 6. Decides that certified emission reductions, emission reduction units and assigned amount units under Articles 6, 12 and 17 may be used to meet commitments under Article 3, paragraph 1, of the Parties included in Annex I, and can be added as provided for in Article 3, paragraphs 10, 11 and 12; and that emission reduction units and assigned amount units can be subtracted as provided for in Article 3, paragraphs 10 and 11, in conformity with the provisions on registries (decision -/CP.7 Modalities for accounting of assigned amount), without altering the quantified emission limitation and reduction commitments inscribed in Annex B to the Kyoto Protocol.

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