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Title: APA Agenda Item 4: Informal consultations on further guidance in relation to the adaptation communication, including, inter alia, as a component of nationally determined contributions, referred to in Article 7, paragraphs 10 and 11, of the Paris Agreement

Date / time: 10 November 2017, 12.15pm to 1.30pm

Remarks: Not all that was said was noted down. Highlighted text are not sure, items to double-check.

Notes taken:

If you like to be added to email list on APA item 4, send a message to klucas@unfccc.int

Co-Facilitator:

- Already a draft available, a base to start working. Idea is to have a base to start commenting, be specific and advance the work
- For this session, good start to talk about headings. Like to see a good population of exchange, ideas, information
- 2 slots tomorrow, 1 hour each. Work towards a useful document for discussion tomorrow
- Go into analysing the text, and the headings

Argentina:

- Intervene for G77 and China
- Understanding that this is the first iteration of informal note, the headings will not appear. Is understanding correct?

- Group is disposed to continue working with you, and ability to engage. Happy to hear that the headings in the draft will be deleted, as the conversation has not yet happened. Wise approach
- Will provide today a clear version to be included without edit. Example under support. Not just support but support for developing countries. Important for the group. Not just support, but support for developing countries.
- G77 and China understand that the items should be included, see the provisions are included in preamble and remarks.
- 3 major things important for the Group. Simple, list guiding principles e.g. CBRC. Pleased to introduce to the floor.
- Engage in conversation on difference between sub-headings and content.

Facilitator:

- Wants to hear the different views on headings to see the consensus
- Urge Parties to send textual proposals. Want them early this afternoon / dinner time. Hopefully, hear the inputs in the room, and not wait till much later.

EU:

- Happy to work based on the preliminary material, and try to work on overall list of key topics provided
- See it as a tool to continue our work, and something that can be changed as we go forward
- First step, like to see the clean-up of the main text. Agree with others to park xxx issue for now, and get into the substance
- Ideas presented now is more for content. There might be a need for sub-headings later, we can wait for that.
- Recall article 7 of Paris Agreement
- On guiding principles, may not need to have it in a specific heading. Good idea to have it have a heading for now, to better understand what it is we have.

US:

- Clear way forward. Support the encouragement for views. Support EU to condense the common skeleton. Would like to offer views on headings and sub-headings
- Adaptation communication is for all the parties, no need to include a separate section on principles
- Heading for “support”...
- Financing can be done through existing channels...
- #7, chosen vehicle should not change the content.
- Point of differentiation, looking for clarity on why it is included.

New Zealand:

- Know plan to remove the overarching
- In fact it is useful to group the headings that are on the paper
- #8 talks about timing and frequency, this goes under decision not guidance. Practical reasons on why some items go into decision, and not guidance.
- Some things that NZ would like to see included as sections / sub-headings, e.g. cooperation to enhance adaptation; updating the guidance

Japan:

- #2, #8, #10 - same similar views as EU, US, New Zealand
- #9 linkages, can be incorporated in preamble and introduction
- #11, #12 - can discuss later

Kuwait

- Very encouraged to see progress, and constructive dialogue
- #7, important to keep guiding principles to keep in mind what is important as guidance for reminder of document

Argentina

- Principles. This is the stage for implementation. Principles are now on implementation
- Raise the profile, communicate, provide xxx
- Like to raise the recognition of xxx for the Group

- Insist the idea of common-set elements that Parties no matter the vehicle. Understand the local appropriate, support needs of developing countries.
- Group of G77 and China proposed 3 sub-headings: preparation, submission, clear commitments of developed countries. It would be quite positive to have these incorporated in the first iteration, and then deliberate over 2 hours tomorrow

Co-Facilitator:

- Invite all Parties to do electronic proposals, to be sent to Secretariat today

Mexico

- Speaking on behalf of **EIG?** Group
- Will provide more detailed comments via electronic submission
- No need to have guiding principles
- Would like to support New Zealand proposal in xxx. Understand country vulnerability, will deliberate more in the submission

China

- Important to have guiding principles as heading. Consider the people who implement future works, they are not negotiators, they don't know what was discussed.
- Crucial, what is the method and information to follow for people who implement NDC
- Support Argentina's mention of support for #7, it is important for developing countries

New Zealand

- Verbal statement in the session is sufficient?

Co-Facilitator:

- Like to focus on headings for the first iteration
- Ask for some flexibility in presenting the headings, in order to progress the work
- Meeting tomorrow is at 11am, hopefully a new iteration is available at night. Hesitant to promise on time.

US:

- Include a few keywords of what they hope to see, and the context

EU:

- Ask for clarification on the type of document that will be prepared. Is it a skeleton only? Will it be a populated skeleton?

Co-Facilitator:

- Will add information that is received from Parties

EU:

- Uncertain if an electronic submission is needed now, to make sure that thoughts are included

Co-Facilitator:

- Will focus on headings
- Good notes have been taken of the interventions
- Parties can decide

Argentina:

- Group support the proposal, and will send report by 7.30pm

Switzerland

- Question was what time to send in the submission

Co-Facilitator:

- 7.30pm deadline
- Meeting resumes at 11am tomorrow