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### **Draft conclusions proposed by the Chair**

1. The Subsidiary Body for Scientific and Technological Advice (SBSTA), pursuant to paragraph 9 of decision 7/CMA.4, considered matters relating to the rules, modalities and procedures for the mechanism established by Article 6, paragraph 4, of the Paris Agreement.<sup>1</sup>
2. The SBSTA took note of the synthesis report<sup>2</sup> by the secretariat on the views submitted by Parties and observer organizations on the matters referred to in paragraph 9 of decision 7/CMA.4.
3. The SBSTA also took note of the informal note<sup>3</sup> prepared by the co-facilitators for this agenda item to capture the views expressed by Parties at this session on the matters referred to in paragraph 9 of decision 7/CMA.4.
4. The SBSTA recalled paragraph 11 of decision 7/CMA.4, whereby the secretariat was requested to organize a technical expert dialogue, to be held before SBSTA 59 (November–December 2023), ensuring broad participation of Parties, to consider the matters referred to in paragraph 9 of decision 7/CMA.4 taking into account the submissions and synthesis report referred to in paragraph 2 above.
5. The SBSTA agreed to also take into account the views expressed by Parties at this session at the technical expert dialogue referred to in paragraph 4 above.
6. Regarding the matters referred to in paragraph 9 of decision 7/CMA.4 and their relation to the corresponding matters under the cooperative approaches referred to in Article 6, paragraph 2, of the Paris Agreement, the SBSTA agreed to discuss these related issues in joint sessions during the technical expert dialogue referred to in paragraph 4 above in order to inform consistent outcomes on the related matters for the Conference of the Parties serving as the meeting of the Parties to the Paris Agreement at its fifth session (November–December 2023).

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<sup>1</sup> Decision 3/CMA.3, annex.

<sup>2</sup> FCCC/SBSTA/2023/3.

<sup>3</sup> Available at <https://unfccc.int/documents/630087>.

7. The SBSTA requested that the secretariat organize the technical expert dialogue referred to in paragraph 4 above to also allow virtual participation.
8. The SBSTA invited Parties and observer organizations to submit via the submission portal<sup>4</sup> by 15 September 2023 views on the matters referred to in paragraph 9 of decision 7/CMA.4 for consideration at SBSTA 59.
9. To facilitate deliberations on further guidance on the rules, modalities and procedures for the mechanism established by Article 6, paragraph 4, of the Paris Agreement, the SBSTA requested its Chair to prepare an informal document on the basis of the views expressed by Parties at this session and the outcomes of the technical expert dialogue and the submissions referred to in paragraphs 4 and 8 above respectively, including textual proposals, for consideration at SBSTA 59 with a view to it recommending a draft decision on further guidance on the rules, modalities and procedures for consideration and adoption by the Conference of the Parties serving as the meeting of the Parties to the Paris Agreement at its fifth session.
10. Regarding the matters referred to in paragraph 9 of decision 7/CMA.4 and their relation to the corresponding matters under the cooperative approaches referred to in Article 6, paragraph 2, of the Paris Agreement, the SBSTA invited its Chair to consider organizing, at SBSTA 59, a joint<sup>5</sup> meeting for the informal consultations on the guidance on the cooperative approaches referred to in Article 6, paragraph 2, of the Paris Agreement and on the rules, modalities and procedures for the mechanism established by Article 6, paragraph 4, of the Paris Agreement, in order to prepare for consistent outcomes on these related matters for CMA 5.
11. The SBSTA took note of the estimated budgetary implications of the activities to be undertaken by the secretariat referred to in paragraphs 4–9 above.
12. The SBSTA requested that the actions of the secretariat called for in these conclusions be undertaken subject to the availability of financial resources.
13. The SBSTA agreed to continue consideration of these matters at SBSTA 59.

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<sup>4</sup> <https://www4.unfccc.int/sites/submissionsstaging/Pages/Home.aspx>.

<sup>5</sup> In addition to separate informal consultations for each of these two agenda items.