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Draft conclusions proposed by the Chair

1. The Subsidiary Body for Scientific and Technological Advice (SBSTA) continued to advance the work programme on clarification of quantified economy-wide emission reduction targets of developed country Parties as contained in document FCCC/SB/2011/INF.1/Rev.1 (hereinafter referred to as the work programme) in accordance with decision 1/CP.18, paragraph 8.

2. The SBSTA acknowledged that, regarding the identification of common elements for measuring the progress made towards the achievement of the quantified economy-wide emission reduction targets, as contained in decision 2/CP.17, paragraph 5, there is a convergence in the coverage of sectors and gases and in the use of global warming potential values among developed country Parties.

3. The SBSTA also acknowledged that the identification of common elements for measuring the progress made towards the achievement of the quantified economy-wide emission reduction targets will contribute to ensuring the comparability of efforts among developed country Parties.

4. The SBSTA took note of the information provided in documents FCCC/TP/2013/7 and FCCC/SBSTA/2013/INF.10 and in the technical briefing on reporting on land use, land-use change and forestry, and expressed its appreciation to the Food and Agriculture Organization of the United Nations and the Intergovernmental Panel on Climate Change for their presentations.

5. The SBSTA agreed to undertake further work in 2014 on identifying common elements, with regard to the elements referred to in decision 2/CP.17, paragraph 5, for measuring the progress made towards the achievement of the quantified economy-wide emission reduction targets as contained in document FCCC/SB/2011/INF.1/Rev.1, and on ensuring comparability of efforts among developed country Parties, taking into account differences in their national circumstances. In that regard, it elaborated on the activities to

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be undertaken under the work programme in 2014, taking into account that biennial reports are due on 1 January 2014, and requested the following:

(a) The secretariat to organize focused in-session expert meetings and technical briefings, on the following:

(i) Further clarification of the role of land use, land-use change and forestry;

(ii) Further clarification of the role of carbon credits from market-based mechanisms;

(iii) Further clarification with regard to the coverage of gases and sectors and to global warming potential values;

(iv) Further clarification of assumptions and conditions related to the ambition of the pledges;

(b) The secretariat to update document FCCC/TP/2013/7.

6. The SBSTA recalled its mandate¹ to report on the progress achieved under the work programme to the Conference of the Parties (COP) and recommended draft conclusions on this matter for consideration and adoption at COP 19 (for the text of the conclusions, see FCCC/SBSTA/2013/L.30/Add.1).

¹ Decision 1/CP.18, paragraph 13.