

Decision 11/CP.13

Reporting on global observing systems for climate

The Conference of the Parties,

Recalling decisions 4/CP.5, 5/CP.5, 11/CP.9 and 5/CP.10,

Noting the need to revise the “UNFCCC reporting guidelines on global climate change observing systems”¹ in order to reflect the priorities of the Global Climate Observing System implementation plan and incorporate the reporting on essential climate variables,

Recognizing the proposals made by the secretariat of the Global Climate Observing System,

Having considered the recommendations of the Subsidiary Body for Scientific and Technological Advice on this matter at its twenty-third, twenty-fifth and twenty-seventh sessions,²

1. *Adopts* the revised UNFCCC reporting guidelines on global climate change observing systems as contained in the annex to this decision;³
2. *Decides* that these revised guidelines should take effect immediately for the preparation of detailed technical reports on systematic observations in accordance with the provisions of decisions 4/CP.5 and 5/CP.5;
3. *Requests* Parties included in Annex I to the Convention to continue providing such reports in conjunction with their national communications;
4. *Invites* Parties not included in Annex I to the Convention to provide such reports on a voluntary basis.

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¹ See decision 5/CP.5 and document FCCC/CP/1999/7, chapter III.

² FCCC/SBSTA/2005/10, paragraph 97; FCCC/SBSTA/2006/11, paragraph 95; and FCCC/SBSTA/2007/16, paragraph 35.

³ For ease of reference, the annex containing the revised UNFCCC reporting guidelines can be found in document FCCC/CP/2007/6/Add.2.