

Women and Gender Equality Texts¹ included in Outcome of Copenhagen:

“Draft decisions presented to the Conference of the Parties at its fifteenth session for consideration and adoption”

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A. Draft decision -/CP.15

Outcome of the work of the Ad Hoc Working Group on Long-term Cooperative Action under the Convention

Mindful that the adverse effects of climate change have a range of direct and indirect implications for the full enjoyment of human rights... will be felt most acutely by those parts of the population that are already vulnerable **owing to youth, gender, age or disability,**

Further recognizing that a broad range of stakeholders needs to be engaged on global, regional, national and local levels, ... including the youth and persons with disability, and that **gender equality and the effective participation of women** and indigenous peoples are important for effective action on all aspects of climate change,

B. Draft decision -/CP.15

Enhanced action on adaptation

3. Affirms that enhanced action on adaptation should be undertaken in accordance with the Convention and the provisions there under; follow a country-driven, **gender-sensitive**, participatory approach to Adaptation; be based on and guided by the best available science, traditional knowledge, as appropriate, and good governance and mutual accountability, with the aim of integrating adaptation actions into relevant social, economic and environmental policies;

E. Draft decision -/CP.15

Enhanced action on capacity-building

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4. (e) Strengthening climate change communication, education, training and public awareness at all levels, including at the local and community levels, **taking into account gender issues;**

(f) Encouraging and strengthening participatory and integrated approaches, **including the participation of various stakeholders, including [women and] youth,** taking climate change considerations into account, to the extent feasible, in relevant social, economic and environmental policies and actions;

G. Draft decision -/CP.15

Policy approaches and positive incentives on issues relating to reducing emissions from deforestation and forest degradation in developing countries; and the role of conservation, sustainable management of forests and enhancement of forest carbon stocks in developing countries

6. *Requests* developing country Parties when developing and implementing their national strategy or action plan, [or sub-national strategies] to address, inter alia, drivers of deforestation and forest degradation, land tenure issues, forest governance issues, **gender considerations** and the safeguards identified in paragraph 2 above, ensuring the full and effective participation of relevant stakeholders, inter alia, indigenous peoples and local communities;

H. Draft decision -/CP.15

Enhanced national/international action on mitigation of climate change: economic and social consequences of response measures

[[*Recognizing* the broad nature of the impact of response measures, particularly on developing

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country Parties,] and that negative economic and social consequences of response measures can adversely affect all Parties [, in particular the poorest and most vulnerable developing country Parties that are the least capable of addressing these negative consequences, **taking into account vulnerable groups, such as women and children**],[especially developing country Parties, and in particular those whose economies are dependent on fossil fuel production, use and exportation, tourism and the exportation of agricultural and energy-intensive products, and trade dependent on international transport,]]

[*Affirming* that sustainable development is essential for adopting measures to address climate change and that there is a need to ensure that response measures do not undermine the achievement of economic and social development, **taking into account the special needs of developing countries and the consequences for women and children**,]

Additional relevant language in the draft decisions includes:

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Further recognizing that a **broad range of stakeholders** needs to be engaged on global, regional, national and **local levels**, be they governmental, including sub-national and **local government**, private business **or civil society**

B. Draft decision -/CP.15

Enhanced action on adaptation

3. *Affirms* that enhanced action on adaptation should be undertaken in accordance with the Convention and the provisions there under; follow ... **participatory** approach to adaptation

4. (e) **Building resilience of socio-economic** and ecological systems, including through economic diversification and sustainable management of natural resources;

E. Draft decision -/CP.15

Enhanced action on capacity-building

Reaffirming that capacity-building should be a continuous, progressive and iterative process that is **participatory**, country-driven and consistent with national priorities and circumstances, and is an integral part of enhanced action on mitigation, adaptation, technology development and transfer and access to financial resources,]

Option 2

4. (d) Enhancing capacity for climate change related research; systematic observation; data collection and utilization; knowledge management and decision-making, including for **vulnerability** and adaptation assessments; early warning systems; risk management; and modelling, including **socio-economic modelling** for adaptation and mitigation, and downscaling;

(e) Strengthening climate change communication, education, training and public awareness at all levels, **including at the local and community levels**

(f) Encouraging and strengthening **participatory and integrated approaches, including the participation of various stakeholders**