

On behalf of the governments of Japan, the United States, and Australia, we would like to put forward the following submission in relation to the 5th review of the implementation of the framework for capacity-building in countries with economies in transition (EITs) under the Convention:

We propose that the outcome of the previous review (17/CP.23) be used as the basis for further discussions, with a view to finalising draft decision text for consideration at COP26. Noting the special circumstances due to COVID, and in the interest of ensuring progress and momentum on negotiations, without comprising the necessary discussions Parties must have, we consider the text from 17/CP.23 as a strong basis to consider language for a draft decision.

In putting forward this proposal, we also request to bracket the final paragraph (4). We put forward this proposal only as it relates to the text for the backward-looking review. Parties will need to discuss if/what future steps may be taken regarding the framework.