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Items for discussion and decision: climate change statistics

STATEMENT OF TURKEY

CLIMATE CHANGE STATISTICS

Turkey would like to thank the Statistics Division of the Department of Economic and Social Affairs, the Economic Commission for Europe (ECE) and the UN Framework Convention on Climate Change (UNFCCC) for this valuable report.

Turkey supports the work of the Statistics Division in the development of a global set of climate change statistics and indicators, building upon all other processes in an effective and appropriate manner.

The list of activities presented by the Statistics Division for the development of the global set of climate change statistics and indicators are welcomed.

Turkey agrees on the expansion of the mandate of the Expert Group on Environment Statistics. It will be beneficial to assess the subject within an environment oriented matter.

Pilot survey is one of the most important subjects for implementation of theory to the real life. Findings and obstacles faced by the countries are the best guidance for the proper calculation and use of the indicators. Turkey is eager to participate in pilot survey if it is still possible.

Data demand by UNFCCC Secretariat from the Parties should be coordinated by the National Statistical Offices. NSOs should assure the quality of data used by the country. International statistical community could act as a guide to assist NSOs in this field.

Turkey supports the work undertaken by the ECE Task Force on the core set of climate change-related indicators as a Task Force member.