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Cambodia's position on the Chair's Text for the INC-5.2

❖ ARTICLE 15: REPORTING

Cambodia supports the principle of transparency and accountability reflected in this

article on national reporting. We recognize that regular reporting will help track

implementation progress, promote international cooperation, and inform future

decision-making under the treaty.

However, Cambodia believes that some elements of this article require adjustment to

ensure fairness and feasibility for developing countries.

First, the proposed timeline for submitting the first report—within [X] year(s) after

submitting the national plan—must be realistic. Cambodia proposes this period be no

less than two to three years, considering the time needed to establish data systems,

consult stakeholders, and mobilize technical and financial resources. If this is rushed,

the reports may be incomplete or inaccurate, undermining their purpose.

Second, we strongly support paragraph 5, which rightly acknowledges that the capacity

of developing countries to implement this article depends on means of implementation,

including funding, capacity-building, and technology. Without this support, reporting

could become an administrative burden rather than a tool for progress.

Third, we believe the COP should ensure that the reporting format and frequency are

tailored to national capacities. A one-size-fits-all model will disadvantage countries with

limited technical resources. Cambodia recommends the use of tiered or modular

reporting templates that are flexible and scalable over time.

Lastly, Cambodia supports the goals of this article, we urge the inclusion of clear safeguards and support mechanisms so that reporting obligations are realistic, equitable, and beneficial for all Parties, especially developing nations.