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Reports from committees, panels and groups of the Board of the Green Climate Fund – Addendum I

Summary

This document contains the reports on activities that have already conducted or are planned to be undertaken by the following committees and panels of the Board of the Green Climate Fund during the reporting period from 1 October to 31 December 2019:

- (a) Accreditation Committee

I. Introduction

1. This report covers the reporting period of 1 October 2019 to 31 December 2019, and also indicates activities planned to be carried out by the committees and panels of the Board of the GCF in advance of its twenty-fifth meeting (B.25).

II. Report on activities of the Accreditation Committee

2. The report addresses the mandate given to the Accreditation Committee (AC), in annex IV to decision B.07/02, to provide policy guidance to the Board on accreditation-related matters.

2.1 Activities during the reporting period

3. During the reporting period, the AC members held one formal in-person meeting at the twenty-fourth meeting of the Board (B.24). Following the reporting period, some members of the AC also held one informal virtual meeting and two virtual meetings were cancelled due to lack of quorum. Communication among AC members on accreditation matters also took place via email.

4. During B.24, the AC also held one formal in-person meeting jointly with the members of the Accreditation Panel (AP) to discuss accreditation matters and one informal in-person meeting jointly with the Independent Integrity Unit (IIU) to discuss the development of Standards on the Prevention and Protection from Sexual Exploitation, Sexual Abuse, and Sexual Harassment (further details below).

5. On 31 December 2019, the term of Mr. Giza Gasper Martins as an alternate Board member ended, and he thus is also no longer a member of the AC. One seat on the AC from the developing country constituency therefore currently remains vacant. Due to a lack of quorum the AC also has yet to select a new chair for the AC.

6. In decision B.23/11, paragraph (d), the Board decided to defer its consideration of the updated accreditation framework and the implementation arrangements and budget for the project-specific assessment approach until the twenty-fourth meeting of the Board (B.24). In decision B.24/13, paragraph (b), the Board decided to defer its consideration of the project-specific assessment approach as contained in annex XXVII until B.25. Since the AC has been unable to reach quorum since B.24 no further progress on the updated accreditation framework has been made during the reporting period.

7. In decisions B.23/15 and B.23/16, the Board requested the AC, in consultation with the Head of the IIU, to consider the best way to: (a) integrate the Anti-Money Laundering and Countering the Financing of Terrorism Policy into the interim fiduciary standards of GCF; and (b) develop SEAH Standards by way of integrating the Policy on the Protection from Sexual Exploitation, Sexual Abuse and Sexual Harassment into the relevant standards, safeguards and policies of GCF.

8. The AC was also mandated to bring a proposal for integration of these policies to the Board for consideration. As indicated in paragraph 4 above, the AC had an initial meeting with the IIU at B.24. No follow up consultations with the AC have taken place since then. A proposal on the update or amendment has yet to be presented to the Board for its consideration.
