



# 12.a) Eligibility of Turkey to receive assistance from the CTCN

6<sup>th</sup> Advisory Board Meeting



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# Summary of UNFCCC Advice

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## ➤ The status of Turkey under the Convention

- Turkey became a Party to the Convention on 24 May 2004. No communication has been received by the secretariat from the Depository concerning any understanding from Turkey with respect to becoming a Party to the Convention
- At COP 7 (2001), the COP adopted decision 26/CP.7 which amended Annex II to the Convention to delete Turkey from this annex. The amendment entered into force on 28 June 2002. Further in that decision, the COP invited “...*Parties to recognize the special circumstances of Turkey, which place Turkey, after becoming a Party, in a situation different from that of other Parties included in Annex I to the Convention.*”

# Summary of UNFCCC Decisions

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## ➤ Developing country Parties in the UNFCCC process

- It is noted that various COP decisions appear to use the terms "Non-Annex I Parties" and "developing country Parties" interchangeably for the purposes of the Convention (e.g. decisions 10/CP.2, 2/CP.17 and 1/CP.18).
- For the purpose of the modalities and procedures of the CTCN “Developing country Parties” means Parties to the Convention not included in Annex I to the Convention (Decision 25/CP.19 Annex I Para 1.(d))

# Summary of UNFCCC informal advice

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## ➤ Conclusion

- The COP, through its decisions, has recognized the special circumstances of Turkey and that Turkey is in a situation different from that of other Annex I Parties to the Convention. However, to date, the COP has not adopted any decision that recognizes Turkey as a “developing country Party” for the purposes of the Convention.
- The UNFCCC secretariat is not in a position to advise whether Turkey is eligible to receive assistance from the CTCN. The CTC may wish to seek clarification from the COP, through the Advisory Board, on whether Turkey, whose special circumstances have been recognized by the COP, is eligible to receive support from the CTCN as a “developing country.”