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COMPLIANCE COMMITTEE UNDER THE NAGOYA PROTOCOL

Third meeting

Online, 21-23 April 2020

**Annotated provisional agenda**

# INTRODUCTION

1. The Conference of the Parties serving as the meeting of the Parties to the Nagoya Protocol, at its first meeting, adopted decision [NP-1/4](https://www.cbd.int/doc/decisions/np-mop-01/np-mop-01-dec-04-en.pdf), which includes procedures and mechanisms on compliance with the Protocol and establishes a Compliance Committee.
2. According to the procedures and mechanisms on compliance, the Committee is to meet at least once in each intersessional period. The rules of procedure for its meetings were approved by the Conference of the Parties serving as the meeting of the Parties to the Protocol (decision [NP-2/3](https://www.cbd.int/doc/decisions/np-mop-02/np-mop-02-dec-03-en.pdf), annex).
3. Further to section B, paragraph 7, of the compliance procedures and mechanisms (decision NP‑1/4, annex), the third meeting of the Compliance Committee will be held virtually from 21 to 23 April 2020.

# ITEM 1. OPENING OF THE MEETING

1. The meeting will be opened at 8 a.m., Eastern Daylight Time (Montreal, Canada) on Tuesday, 21 April 2020.

# ITEM 2. ORGANIZATIONAL MATTERS

**2.1. Election of officers**

1. Section B, paragraph 9, of the compliance procedures and mechanisms provides that the Committee shall elect a Chair and a Vice-Chair on a rotational basis from the five regional groups of the United Nations.
2. Rule 12 of the rules of procedure for the Committee provides that the Chair and Vice-Chair shall be elected for a period of two years and no officer shall serve for more than two consecutive terms.
3. Accordingly, the members of the Compliance Committee will be invited to elect a Chair and a Vice-Chair to replace the outgoing Chair, Mr. Kaspar Sollberger, and Vice-Chair, Ms. Naritiana Rakotoniaina Ranaivoson.

**2.2.** **Adoption of the agenda**

1. The agenda for this meeting has been developed on the basis of the requests to the Committee made by the Conference of the Parties serving as the meeting of the Parties to the Protocol at its third meeting.
2. The Committee may wish to adopt its agenda on the basis of the provisional agenda proposed by the Executive Secretary ([CBD/NP/CC/3/1](https://www.cbd.int/doc/c/11b0/6556/4dc4b63b281ece1b90dc934a/np-cc-03-01-en.pdf)).

2.3. Organization of work

1. The Committee may wish to consider the proposed organization of work as contained in annex I below. The meeting will be held through live virtual sessions. Online discussion using a forum at the ABS Clearing-House may also be considered in addition to the virtual sessions. The details on the technical arrangements of the virtual sessions and the discussion forum will be provided in due course.
2. The language of the meeting will be English.
3. A list of documents for the meeting is contained in annex II below. The documents will be issued on the Secretariat’s website at <https://www.cbd.int/meetings/NP-CC-03>.

# . Item 3. Review of the outcomes of the third meeting of the Parties to the Nagoya Protocol regarding items relevant to compliance

1. At its second meeting, the Compliance Committee made a number of recommendations to the Conference of the Parties serving as the meeting of the Parties to the Nagoya Protocol for consideration at its third meeting.[[1]](#footnote-2)
2. Under this item, the Committee will have before it a note by the Executive Secretary presenting a review of the outcomes of the third meeting of the Parties to the Protocol regarding items relevant to compliance (CBD/NP/CC/3/2). This includes a review of decisions adopted by the Parties that take into account the recommendations of the Committee as well as other relevant decisions taken by the Parties at their third meeting.
3. The Committee may wish to reflect upon the decisions adopted at the third meeting of the Parties to the Protocol and how the recommendations of the Compliance Committee were considered by the Parties.

# Item 4. Review of general issues of compliance

1. In accordance with section D, paragraph 10, of the compliance procedures and mechanisms (decision NP 1/4, annex), the Committee may examine systemic issues of general non‑compliance that come to its attention.
2. At its last meeting, the Committee requested the Executive Secretary to send letters to those Parties that had not yet submitted their reports under Article 29 of the Nagoya Protocol, urging them to do so as soon as possible and inviting them to provide information on challenges they had faced in completing and submitting their report. The Committee requested the Executive Secretary to present the results of those communications to it at its third meeting.
3. In decision [NP-3/15](https://www.cbd.int/doc/decisions/np-mop-03/np-mop-03-dec-15-en.pdf) on the preparation for the follow-up to the Strategic Plan for Biodiversity 2011-2020, the Conference of the Parties serving as the meeting of the Parties requested that the Compliance Committee at its next meeting consider how to support and promote compliance with the Nagoya Protocol within the post-2020 global biodiversity framework (para. 5).
4. The Committee may wish to review information on general issues of compliance with obligations under the Protocol (CBD/NP/CC/3/3) and to recommend how the post-2020 global biodiversity framework could support and promote compliance with the Nagoya Protocol.

# Item 5. Review of the format for Parties to report on the implementation of the obligations under the Protocol

1. In decision [NP-3/4](https://www.cbd.int/doc/decisions/np-mop-03/np-mop-03-dec-04-en.pdf), the Parties requested the Executive Secretary to review the reporting format for consideration by the Conference of the Parties serving as the meeting of the Parties to the Protocol at its fourth meeting, taking into account comments received, input from the Compliance Committee, the framework of indicators contained in decision [NP-3/1](https://www.cbd.int/doc/decisions/np-mop-03/np-mop-03-dec-01-en.pdf), the post-2020 global biodiversity framework and the alignment of national reports under the Convention and its Protocols, while bearing in mind the need for continuity in the format in order to measure progress in implementation (para. 8).
2. The Committee may wish to provide input to the proposed revised reporting format contained in document CBD/NP/CC/3/4.

Item 6. Other matters

1. Under this item, members of the Compliance Committee may wish to raise and discuss any other matters of relevance to the Committee.

# Item 7. Adoption of the report

1. The Committee will consider and adopt the report on the meeting, which will be submitted to the Conference of the Parties serving as the meeting of the Parties to the Nagoya Protocol at its fourth meeting for its consideration.

# Item 8. Closure of the meeting

1. The second meeting of the Compliance Committee is expected to close at 12 p.m. on Thursday, 23 April 2020.

*Annex I*

# PROPOSED ORGANIZATION OF WORK

| Date and time | Agenda item |
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| **21 April 2020** |  |
| 8 a.m. to 8.30 a.m. | 1. Opening of the meeting2. Organizational matters: 2.1. Election of officers 2.2. Adoption of the agenda 2.3. Organization of work |
| 8.30 a.m. to 9 a.m. | 3. Review of the outcomes of the third meeting of the Parties to the Nagoya Protocol regarding items relevant to compliance |
| 9 a.m. to 12 noon | 4. Review of general issues of compliance |
| **22 April 2020** |  |
| 8 a.m. to 12 noon | 5. Review of the format for Parties to report on the implementation of the obligations under the Protocol |
| **23 April 2020** |  |
| 8 a.m. to 9.30 a.m. | 6. Other matters |
| 9.30 a.m. to 12 noon | 7. Adoption of the report |
|  | 8. Closure of the meeting |

Annex II

provisional LIST OF DOCUMENTS

*Symbol* *Title*

CBD/NP/CC/3/1 Provisional agenda

CBD/NP/CC/3/1/Add.1 Annotated provisional agenda

CBD/NP/CC/3/2 Review of the outcomes of the third meeting of the Conference of the Parties serving as the meeting of the Parties to the Nagoya Protocol regarding items relevant to compliance

CBD/NP/CC/3/3 Review of general issues of compliance

CBD/NP/CC/3/4 Review of the format for Parties to report on the implementation of the obligations under the Nagoya Protocol

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1. For the report of the Committee on its second meeting, see [CBD/ABS/CC/2/4](https://www.cbd.int/doc/c/3cad/b7c8/07605cb1eeeb34614c2c1183/abs-cc-02-04-en.pdf). [↑](#footnote-ref-2)