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**Proposal for a new implementation oversight body - IPPC Implementation and Capacity Development Committee (ICDC)
- New Zealand's intervention**

Agenda item 8.4.2

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1. New Zealand recognizes the work of the CDC and the valuable contributions made since it was established. In accordance with CPM decisions to increase the focus on implementation, suggestions in the Secretariat Evaluation report, and recommendations of the CDC review, New Zealand welcomes the decision to disestablish the CDC and set up a new committee to support the CPM directed focus on implementation.
2. Establishment of the Implementation Facilitation Unit (IFU) within the Secretariat, and setting up a new subsidiary body to support implementation are both significant opportunities for the IPPC to make major improvements in implementing the IPPC and ISPMs. However, New Zealand believes CPM needs to take the time to carefully consider this opportunity. CPM needs to be sure that the new subsidiary body is properly focused and established to deliver maximum benefits to the IPPC contracting parties.
3. New Zealand is concerned there has been insufficient consideration of the scope and functions of new implementation body and believes it would be premature to accept the recommendations in the paper CPM 2016/18 and annex 1.

4. To date the future design of the new committee has been discussed only by the CDC and a few individuals. Annex 1 has not been properly considered by the Bureau. The current scope and list of functions is very long, imprecise, and appears to be very focused on maintaining the functions of the current CDC. Continuing the IPPC's work in capacity development will be a critical function for the new subsidiary body but Annex 1 currently reflects insufficient consideration of how to support a fully integrated effort to implement the IPPC and ISPMs.

5. Therefore, New Zealand proposes that before seeking CPM approval and establishing the committee, a Focus Group be established to carefully consider the purpose, scope and functions of the new committee and then propose appropriate governance, membership, and rules of procedure.

6. New Zealand would be willing to participate in a small group during this CPM with the aim of developing a Terms of Reference for a Focus Group on the establishment of a subsidiary body on implementation.

7. New Zealand also wishes to propose an alternative set of recommendations for CPM 2016/18, as follows:

8. The CPM is invited to:

- 1) *Agree* to disestablish the CDC and set up a new subsidiary body on the basis of Rule IX of the Rules of Procedure of the CPM. The CDC should be retained until the new subsidiary body is established.
- 2) *Agree* to establish a Focus Group to carefully consider and propose the purpose, scope and functions of the new subsidiary body, and propose governance, membership, and rules of procedure.
- 3) *Agree* the Focus Group shares the result of their work with the Strategic Planning Group (SPG) meeting in October 2016 for testing and refining prior to Bureau consideration.
- 4) *Agree* the Bureau should recommend to CPM 12 (2017), a Terms of Reference and Rules of Procedure for the new subsidiary body, ensuring the newly drafted documents provide clarity on the purpose, scope, functions, governance, membership, and rules of procedure.