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Summary

This document provides a list of Parties that engaged in the optional reporting exercise and submitted a total of 26 reports in 2016. By decision 15/COP.12, the reporting process capturing information on UNCCD implementation for the period 2014–2015 was made optional. The deadline for reporting was set by the Executive Secretary in consultation with the Bureau of the Committee for the Review of the Implementation of the Convention. The submission date was set for 7 September 2016.

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I. Introduction

1. By decision 15/COP.12, the reporting process capturing information on UNCCD implementation for the period 2014–2015 was made optional. Interactive reporting templates were made available by the UNCCD secretariat at the beginning of 2016, enabling country Parties to provide information on strategic and operational objectives contained within the 10-year strategic plan and framework to enhance the implementation of the Convention (2008–2018). Parties were notified about the possibility of submitting country reports using the PRAIS portal and the availability of a Help Desk facility for any subsequent queries they may have regarding the reporting.

2. By the reporting deadline (7 September 2016), 26 reports had been submitted: four from Africa, four from Asia, ten from Latin America and the Caribbean, seven from the Northern Mediterranean Regional Implementation Annex and one from the Central and Eastern European Implementation Annex. All, except for three reports from the Northern Mediterranean Implementation Annex, provided information as affected country Parties. Hungary, Israel and Turkey provided information as developed country Parties with Hungary and Turkey also providing information as affected country Parties.

3. As the size of the reports varies greatly, some of them comprising close to 100 pages, this document only lists those countries having submitted their reports by the deadline. The full reports can be accessed through the UNCCD website at www.unccd.int/en/about-the-convention/the-bodies/The-CRIC/Pages/Operational-reporting.aspx.

II. List of submitted reports per Regional Implementation Annex

Africa

1. Algeria (ACP)
2. Mauritius (ACP)
3. Namibia (ACP)
4. Swaziland (ACP)

Asia

1. Indonesia (ACP)
2. Kuwait (ACP)
3. Philippines (ACP)
4. United Arab Emirates (ACP)

Latin America and the Caribbean

1. Antigua and Barbuda (ACP)
2. Argentina (ACP)
3. Chile (ACP)
4. Cuba (ACP)
5. Dominican Republic (ACP)
6. Grenada (ACP)
7. Guyana (ACP)
8. Mexico (ACP)
9. Saint Lucia (ACP)
10. Venezuela (ACP)

Northern Mediterranean

1. Hungary (ACP and DCP)
2. Israel (DCP)
3. Portugal (ACP)
4. Spain (ACP)
5. Turkey (ACP and DCP)

Central and Eastern Europe

1. Serbia (ACP)
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