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Items 3 (a) and 8 (a) of the provisional agenda

**Outstanding issues: draft joint decisions**

**Adoption of decisions: decisions to be taken jointly**

Draft joint decisions by the Meeting of the Parties to the Convention and the Meeting of the Parties to the Convention serving as the Meeting of the Parties to the Protocol

Decision VIII/3–IV/3

The long-term strategy and the action plan for the Convention and the Protocol

*The Meeting of the Parties to the Convention and the Meeting of the Parties to the Convention serving as the Meeting of the Parties to the Protocol (Meeting of the Parties to the Protocol), meeting in joint session,*

*Recalling* their decision VII/7–III/6 on the development of a strategy and an action plan for the future application of the Convention and the Protocol,

*Recognizing* the importance of the long-term strategy and the action plan in guiding the work and priorities of the Convention and the Protocol,

*Acknowledging* the need for sufficient resources for their implementation,

1. *Welcome* the development of the draft long-term strategy by volunteering Parties through informal consultations co-chaired by the Netherlands, initially with Austria and then with Poland, with support from the secretariat;

2. *Adopt* the long-term strategy and the action plan as contained in document [(ECE/MP.EIA/2020/3–ECE/MP.EIA/SEA/2020/3)];

3. *Decide* that the strategy and the action plan will be implemented through actions in the workplans and decisions by the Meetings of the Parties;

4. *Agree to* make every effort to fund the implementation of the actions;

5. *Decide* to regularly assess progress in the implementation of the long-term strategy and the action plan;

6. *Also decide* to review and, as needed, readjust the strategic goals and priority objectives in 2030.