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PERIOD: 21-29 November, 2016

PROJECT: Nairobi Convention Secretariat

MEETING:

- Third Negotiations Meeting on the text of the Protocol on Integrated Coastal Zone Management in the Western Indian Ocean, 21-24 November 2016
- 2. Sub-Regional Training for Civil Society Organizations on Marine Spatial Planning and Oil and Gas, 24-26 November 2016
- 3. Meeting on Northern Mozambique Channel, 25 November 2016
- 4. Short Session for Oil and Gas Experts, 28-29 November 2016

VENUE: Zanzibar, Tanzania

MAIN PERSONS CONTACTED:

- Focal points of the Contracting Parties to the Nairobi Convention
- Environmental law experts on Integrated Coastal Zone Management (ICZM) Protocol
- Western Indian Ocean Consortium members (NGOs) and several leaders of Civil Society Organizations active in the Northern Mozambique Channel area
- Legal and policy experts in Oil and Gas development

List of participants attached as Annex 1

OBJECTIVES:

<u>Third Negotiations Meeting on the text of the Protocol on Integrated</u> <u>Coastal Zone Management in the Western Indian Ocean Region</u>

- Review the current status of the draft Protocol on Integrated Coastal Zone Management.
- Address the outstanding issues in the draft ICZM Protocol including the articles not negotiated in the Second negotiations Meeting on the ICZM Protocol held on March 2016 in Mahe, Seychelles.

<u>Sub- regional Training for Civil Society Organizations on Marine</u>
<u>Spatial Planning and Oil and Gas</u>

The training was organized in collaboration with WWF- Madagascar to:

1. To provide capacity building on Integrated Ocean Management approach in the Western Indian Ocean Region with reference to the Marine Spatial Planning and the Oil and Gas sector.

Meeting on the Northern Mozambique Channel

- Present the Northern Mozambique Channel- French Global Environment Facility (NMC-FFEM) project proposal development status.
- 2. Link NMC-FFEM Project Proposal to the Nairobi Convention including SDG 14 implementation and the UN SDG 14 meeting in June 2017 in New York and beyond.
- 3. Development approach for Oil and Gas in the Northern Mozambique Channel
- 4. Discuss regional and national launches for and advocacy plan for the WIO Economy Report.

Short Session for Oil and Gas Experts

- Identify capacity needs in the Oil and Gas sector development with special reference to offshore Oil and Gas and associated infrastructure
- 2. Share on environmental standards and regional guidelines for Oil and Gas exploration and exploitation in the Western Indian Ocean region
- Identify common issues and key actions needed to strengthen governance in the Oil and Gas sector for effective mitigation of environmental impact

Summary of Outcomes

The Third Negotiations meeting on the text of the Integrated Coastal Zone Management Protocol (ICZM Protocol) was convened as a follow up on the *Decision CP 8/3* adopted at the Eighth Conference of Parties.

- a. The technical and legal experts negotiated the articles of the Draft ICZM Protocol that were not discussed in the Second Negotiations meeting that is Articles 20 -27, Articles 1, 2 and 3 and the Preamble of the Protocol. Text for some articles such as Articles 2, 3, 24, 25, 26, 27 were agreed on however, there were various outstanding issues in other articles which require further negotiations by the Contracting parties.
- b. On the fourth day, the technical and legal experts adjourned the negotiations meeting and formed a technical working group to develop the structure of the Annex to Article 9 of the Draft ICZM Protocol on ICZM Tools and Instruments. The delegates presented on the proposed structure for the Annex giving their proposed definitions for various instruments relevant to ICZM which include Institutional, Planning, Legal, Administrative, Information and Market based Instruments; and the tools to implement these instruments.
- c. The draft structure for the Annex of Article 9 on the ICZM Protocol was proposed to have the following categories: A definition of ICZM Tools and instruments with alternatives coming from the three groups that presented; A broad categorization of the ICZM tools (planning tools,

implementation tools, etc.); ICZM Instruments and; Indicators.

d. The delegates recommended that the Nairobi Convention engage a consultant to further develop the annex and fill in the gaps in the proposed structure using best practices as well as harmonizing various terms related to ICZM implementation. The output of the Consultant's work should be presented to the Contracting parties at the Fourth Negotiations meeting

Sub-regional Training for Civil Society Organizations on Marine Spatial Planning and Oil and Gas

The training brought together Civil Society Organizations from the 4 countries constituting the Northern Mozambique Channel (NMC) Region which include: Comoros, Madagascar, Mozambique and Tanzania in order to build their capacity on the following concepts which are fairly new in the NMC region:

- a. Oil and Gas: Scoping study for Oil and Gas in the Northern Mozambique Channel; Oil and Gas Exploration processes, operations, terms, and definitions; Legal and Contractual Framework from the Oil and Gas sector; and Environmental and Social Concerns of the Oil and Gas industry.
- b. Marine Spatial Planning (MSP): Principles and processes of MSP; Co-location as a key element of MSP, Differences between MSP and Terrestrial Spatial Planning and Role of CSOs in Marine Spatial Planning.

Meeting on Northern Mozambique Channel (NMC)

- Explored opportunities for Funding for the Global Environment Facility Project Identification Form (GEF PIF) developed for the NMC countries through GEF national allocations under GEF 6 (2014-2018) or GEF 7 allocations (2018-2022)
- b. Reviewed NMC project proposal to be submitted to France French Global Environmental Facility (FFEM) group for consideration and funding in 2017 to the tune of €1.5 million
- c. Engagement with Sweden on the NMC as outlined in a proposal to the Swedish International Development Cooperation Agency (SIDA) on the development of regional scenarios that can catalyze and support the implementation of SDG 14 on integrated ocean management
- d. Identified a roadmap for participation of Tanzania, Madagascar, Mozambique and Seychelles at the SDG14 Technical Group preparatory meeting on 15 February 2017 in New York and display of partnership in the NMC on Integrated Ocean Management during the UN high level conference on SDG14 on 5-9 June 2017 in New York:
- e. Planned launch of the first Western Indian Ocean Economy report in January 2017 and its links, purpose and relevance to the SDG 14 process in the Western Indian Ocean region

Short Session for Oil and Gas Experts

 A regional Oil and Gas capacity building programme for the Western Indian Ocean to be approved by Contracting Parties in 2017

RECOMMENDATIONS AND FOLLOWUP:

a. The Nairobi Convention will plan for the Fourth Negotiations meeting on the Draft of the Integrated Coastal Zone Management Protocol in 2017 to finalize all the outstanding issues in the articles discussed and discuss the Annex developed for Article 9 of the Protocol on ICZM Tools and Instruments.

- b. The Nairobi Convention will hire a consultant to develop the annex of Article of the Protocol based on the recommendations of the Contracting Parties.
- c. The CSOs that participated in the Sub-regional Training would continue with discussions in their respective countries in order to develop a partnership for the Northern Mozambique Channel area where CSOs would select representative CSOs from their various countries to join the NMC platform. The CSOs shall also develop provisional Terms of Reference to define the roles of the representatives
- d. Follow-up with Sweden for continued support in the region and willingness to support the roadmap to the UN Ocean Conference 2017.
- e. Follow-up with WWF and the invitation by Madagascar through WWF to the launch of the WIO Economy report in January 2017 and thereafter national launches
- f. Updating of the NMC project proposal and review by Contracting Parties before submitting the concept to FFEM of France before 5 January 2017 for consideration and funding
- g. Follow-up with Contracting Parties in the NMC area to seize the opportunity of the UN SDG 14 summit (June 2017 in New York) to present a number of key elements that will set the stage for the NMC roadmap.
- h. Share the finalized regional Oil and Gas capacity building programme for the Western Indian Ocean to be approved by Contracting Parties in March and November 2017

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