IMPLEMENTATION AGREEMENT
PURSUANT TO ARTICLE 6 OF THE PARIS AGREEMENT
BETWEEN THE GOVERNMENT OF THE REPUBLIC OF SINGAPORE
AND THE GOVERNMENT OF THE REPUBLIC OF ZAMBIA

The Government of the Republic of Singapore and the Government of the Republic of Zambia (hereinafter referred to individually as a "Party" or collectively as the "Parties"),

AFFIRMING the mutual interest of the Parties in developing cooperation in the fields of climate change and sustainability based on the principle of mutual benefits;

RECOGNISING the importance of the Paris Agreement and the United Nations Sustainable Development Goals and the common concern of the Parties on global environment matters;

RECALLING Articles 4, 6 and 13 of the Paris Agreement, as well as the Article 6.2 Guidance and the Article 13 Guidance;

NOTING that cooperation under Article 6 of the Paris Agreement can raise global ambition in line with the Paris Agreement goals, and can generate sustainable development benefits;

TAKING INTO ACCOUNT the imperatives of a just transition of the workforce;

NOTING the importance of ensuring the integrity of all ecosystems, including oceans, and the protection of biodiversity;

REAFFIRMING that the Parties, when taking action to address climate change, should respect, promote and consider their respective obligations on human rights, the right to health, the rights of indigenous peoples, local communities, migrants, children, persons with disabilities and people in vulnerable situations and the right to development, as well as gender equality, empowerment of women and intergenerational equity;

RECALLING Article 6, paragraph 8, of the Paris Agreement and **DESIRING** as close partners to strengthen existing cooperation in the field of climate change and sustainability to maximise realisation of the economic and social benefits, including through the sharing of best practices and capacity-building; and

RECALLING the Memorandum of Understanding signed between the Parties on 19 November 2024 in Baku, Azerbaijan,

HAVE AGREED as follows:

Article 1. Definitions

1. In this Agreement, the following definitions shall apply:

(a) "**Article 6.2 Guidance**" refers to the "guidance on cooperative approaches referred to in Article 6, paragraph 2, of the Paris Agreement", as set out in the Annex to decision 2/CMA.3 and in line with further relevant decisions adopted by the CMA;

(b) "**Article 13 Guidance**" refers to the "guidance for operationalizing the modalities, procedures and guidelines for the enhanced transparency framework referred to in Article 13 of the Paris Agreement", in line with decision 5/CMA.3, and further relevant decisions adopted by the CMA;

(c) "**BTR**" refers to Biennial Transparency Reports submitted by a Party to the Paris Agreement pursuant to Article 13 of the Paris Agreement with the modalities, procedures and guidelines referred to in Article 13, paragraph 13, of the Paris Agreement;

(d) "**CMA**" refers to the Conference of the Parties serving as the meeting of the Parties to the Paris Agreement;

(e) "**Corresponding Adjustments**" are adjustments applied by a Party to the Paris Agreement in the context of reporting on its national inventory to avoid double-counting in the implementation of Article 4, paragraph 13; Article 6, paragraph 2; and Article 13, paragraph 7, of the Paris Agreement, in line with Part III of the Article 6.2 Guidance and further relevant decisions adopted by the CMA;

(f) "**first transfer**" refers to first transfer, as defined under paragraph 2 of the Article 6.2 Guidance and in line with relevant decisions adopted by the CMA;

(g) "**Initial Report**" refers to the Article 6, paragraph 2, initial report referred to in paragraph 18 of the Article 6.2 Guidance;

(h) "**Internationally Transferred Mitigation Outcomes**" or "**ITMOs**" are mitigation outcomes that have been authorised by a Party to the Paris Agreement for use towards the achievement of an NDC or other international mitigation purposes, as set out under paragraph 1 of the Article 6.2 Guidance;

(i) "**Joint Committee**" refers to the joint committee established under Article 6 (Joint Committee);

(j) "**mitigation outcomes**" are emission reductions and removals, complying with the criteria set out under paragraph 1(a), (b), (c) and (e) of the Article 6.2 Guidance;

(k) "**mitigation activity**" or "**mitigation activities**" refer to the projects or programmes the implementation of which will result in mitigation outcomes;

(l) "**NDC**" refers to nationally determined contribution under Article 4, paragraph 2, of the Paris Agreement;

(m) "**Paris Agreement**" refers to the Paris Agreement, adopted on 12 December 2015;

(n) "**pre-approved list of carbon crediting programmes and methodologies**" refers to the list of carbon crediting programmes and methodologies which the Joint Committee shall decide upon and maintain pursuant to Article 5 (Environmental Integrity);

(o) "**project applicant**" is a government, public, State-owned or private entity which is seeking to obtain the Parties' authorisation for a mitigation activity under this Agreement and satisfies the criteria published by Singapore; and

(p) "**project participant**" is a project applicant which has obtained the Parties' authorisation for a mitigation activity under this Agreement.

2. Any reference to "Articles" or "Annexes" in this Agreement and its Annexes shall be a reference to the Articles of or Annexes to this Agreement respectively, unless otherwise stated.

Article 2. Objectives and Scope of Cooperation

1. The objective of this Agreement is to establish a bilateral framework for the authorisation of mitigation activities under this Agreement, and the authorisation and transfer of ITMOs generated therefrom for use towards the achievement of NDCs, or other international mitigation purposes in line with Article 6 of the Paris Agreement.

2. This bilateral framework will cover mitigation activities that have been authorised by the Parties in accordance with this Agreement.

Article 3. Competent Authorities

1. The Government of Singapore has authorised the Ministry of Sustainability and the Environment, the Ministry of Energy, Trade and Industry, the National Climate Change Secretariat and the National Environment Agency to act on its behalf to implement this Agreement and achieve its objectives.

2. The Government of the Republic of Zambia, acting through the Ministry of Green Economy and Environment and the Zambia Environmental Management Agency, being a statutory body under the Environmental Management Act Chapter 204 of the Laws of Zambia, shall implement this Agreement and achieve its objectives.

Article 4. Authorisation of Mitigation Activities and Mitigation Outcomes

1. The Parties shall establish the necessary processes by which project applicants can obtain the Parties' authorisation of their mitigation activities under this Agreement in accordance with **Annexes A** and **B.**

2. The Parties shall further establish the necessary processes by which project participants can obtain Zambia's authorisation for the mitigation outcomes generated by the authorised mitigation activities in accordance with **Annex B**.

3. Subject to the conditions on which authorisation of the mitigation activity was granted, Zambia shall authorise the mitigation outcomes generated by the authorised mitigation activities and apply corresponding adjustments for these mitigation outcomes upon first transfer. Such authorisation of the mitigation outcomes shall be for all purposes, including use towards the achievement of an NDC and other international mitigation purposes.

4. In the event the project participant fails to comply with the conditions on which authorisation of the mitigation activity was granted, a Party may revoke such authorisation issued in accordance with **Annex B**, including the Letter of Authorisation, the Letter of Approval or the Certificate of Authorisation, as the case may be, after having given the project participant notice of the intended revocation and a reasonable opportunity to make representations to the revoking Party and rectify its non-compliance.

5. In the event the project participant fails to comply with the conditions on which authorisation of the mitigation activity was granted, Zambia may refuse authorisation for the mitigation outcomes generated therefrom for international transfer in accordance with the process set out in **Annex B**.

6. Revocation of authorisation of a mitigation activity under paragraph 4 of this Article shall not affect mitigation outcomes that have already been authorised as ITMOs under this Agreement and Zambia shall ensure that corresponding adjustments are applied in accordance with Article 9 (Corresponding Adjustments).

7. Zambia shall not, under any measure adopted on or after the date of:

   (a) authorisation of the mitigation activity of a project participant (as set out in the Letter of Approval or the Certificate of Authorisation in **Annex B**, whichever is the earlier); or

   (b) authorisation of the ITMOs of a project participant (as set out in the Letter of Issuance and the Transfer Certificate in **Annex B**),

   require that such project participant comply with changes to (i) the conditions for the authorisation of mitigation outcomes generated by the authorised mitigation activity of a project participant that would adversely affect the project participant, and (ii) the conditions for the transfer and use of ITMOs that would adversely affect the project participant.

8. Paragraph 7 shall apply on the date of each authorised mitigation activity of a project participant and each authorised ITMO of a project participant as set out in **Annex B** and remain in effect until the end of the current crediting period, and shall continue to remain in force thereafter unless either Party notifies the other Party in writing of its intention to disapply paragraph 7 to the authorised mitigation activity or authorised ITMO.

Article 5. Environmental Integrity

1. Mitigation outcomes generated by authorised mitigation activities and which are authorised under this Agreement shall be consistent with:

   (a) the Article 6.2 Guidance, and further relevant decisions adopted by the CMA; and

   (b) the requirements of the Parties pursuant to Article 6, paragraph 2, of the Paris Agreement in their respective domestic laws, regulations and administrative frameworks.

2. The Joint Committee shall decide upon and maintain the pre-approved list of carbon crediting programmes and methodologies to guide project applicants and project participants in the identification of mitigation activities that meet the requirements in paragraph 1 of this Article and the domestic laws, regulations and administrative frameworks of the respective Parties. The initial version of the pre-approved list of carbon crediting programmes and methodologies is set out in **Annex A**. Updates to the pre-approved list of carbon crediting programmes and methodologies shall be made through the following process:

   (a) The Joint Committee shall agree on any changes to the pre-approved list of carbon crediting programmes and methodologies by electronic means.

   (b) Each Party shall ensure that the most updated pre-approved list of carbon crediting programmes and methodologies is published on an official government website.

Article 6. Joint Committee

1. A Joint Committee, composed of officials from each Party and co-chaired by a senior official designated by each Party, shall be established in accordance with the Terms of Reference set out in **Annex C**.

2. The Joint Committee shall have the power to make binding decisions within the scope of its responsibilities.

Article 7. Registry

1. Each Party shall establish a registry for the purpose of recording and tracking, in line with Part VI of the Article 6.2 Guidance. The respective registries shall record the following:

   (a) information on mitigation outcomes derived from mitigation activities approved by the Parties, including their unique identifiers, origin and vintage year, as well as information on authorisation, first transfer, transfers, acquisition and use of such mitigation outcomes towards NDCs or other international mitigation purposes, including voluntary cancellation; and

   (b) any other information as set out in this Agreement, including its Annexes, or to be decided by the Joint Committee, as well as information as may be required by the Article 6.2 Guidance or further decisions of the CMA.

2. The Parties shall establish the necessary inter-registry arrangements with the relevant carbon crediting programmes, in accordance with the guidance of the Joint Committee, to ensure that transfers of ITMOs are accurately recorded and to avoid double-counting.

Article 8. Issuance and Transfer of ITMOs

1. The Parties shall establish the necessary processes by which project participants can submit requests to the Parties for the issuance of mitigation outcomes from authorised mitigation activities and the transfer of ITMOs in accordance with **Annex B.**

2. Following verification of the mitigation outcomes, the ITMOs shall be transferred in accordance with the authorisation granted by Zambia pursuant to the above process and in accordance with its domestic laws, regulations and administrative frameworks.

Article 9. Corresponding Adjustments

1. Zambia shall apply corresponding adjustments in line with the Article 6.2 Guidance and further decisions adopted by the CMA, for all ITMOs upon first transfer.

2. In the event Zambia is unable to apply corresponding adjustments in accordance with paragraph 1 of this Article, Zambia shall resolve the dispute with the project participant in accordance with **Annex D**.

3. For the avoidance of doubt, the procedure provided under paragraph 2 of this Article is in addition to any other procedures and remedies that may be available under this Agreement, international law, other agreements applicable between the Parties, the domestic laws of Zambia or any contract.

Article 10. Additional Contribution to Overall Mitigation and Adaptation Action

The Parties shall determine any additional contribution to overall mitigation and adaptation action, including the cancellation of mitigation outcomes that are not used towards achieving any country's NDC or for other international mitigation purposes, and the relevant procedures for such contribution.

Article 11. Reporting

1. Each Party shall comply with its reporting obligations under the Paris Agreement, including the submission of an Initial Report, BTR (including regular information) and annual information in line with Articles 6 and 13 of the Paris Agreement, the Article 6.2 Guidance, the Article 13 Guidance and other relevant decisions adopted by the CMA.

2. Each Party shall ensure that its submitted reports and information are consistent with this Agreement.

3. The Parties shall determine the relevant processes to ensure alignment between both Parties' submissions for the areas of cooperation under this Agreement.

Article 12. Transparency

1. Each Party shall publish and keep up to date, in English, on an official government website, the following information in a manner that is easily accessible to the general public:

   (a) procedures for a project applicant to obtain authorisation for mitigation activities under this Agreement, including the criteria to be satisfied by project applicants pursuant to Article 1(1)(o), the requisite forms and documents, and all applicable fees, charges and taxes;

   (b) contact information for the enquiry points, as well as information on how to make enquiries on matters relating to mitigation activities;

   (c) the pre-approved list of carbon crediting programmes and methodologies;

   (d) information on mitigation activities that are authorised pursuant to Article 4 (Authorisation of Mitigation Activities and Mitigation Outcomes), and mitigation outcomes generated and first-transferred thereunder, including documents to be published in accordance with **Annex B**;

   (e) the requirements to be satisfied by project applicants in relation to the transfer of ITMOs as a condition for obtaining authorisation for mitigation activities under this Agreement;

   (f) all fees, charges and taxes imposed in accordance with Article 14 (Fees, Charges and Taxes);

   (g) information on Zambia's utilisation of the contributions to adaptation action made pursuant to Article 10 (Additional Contribution to Overall Mitigation and Adaptation Action); and

   (h) such other information as the Parties may mutually agree to publish.

2. Each Party shall to the extent practicable and in a manner consistent with its domestic laws, regulations and administrative frameworks, publish and notify each other of:

   (a) its proposed new or amended laws and regulations related to the implementation of this Agreement;

   (b) its new or amended laws and regulations related to the implementation of this Agreement as early as possible before the date of their enactment, in order to enable relevant stakeholders to become acquainted with them; and

   (c) information on the procedure by which a project participant may seek to resolve a dispute in accordance with **Annex D**.

Article 13. Common Concern

The Parties shall make every effort to prevent corruption from arising in the processes under this Agreement. The Parties shall promptly inform each other of any corrupt acts or practices arising from processes under this Agreement.

Article 14. Fees, Charges and Taxes

1. Each Party shall ensure that any fees, charges and taxes imposed on or in connection with applications under Article 4 (Authorisation of Mitigation Activities and Mitigation Outcomes), or the implementation of any mitigation activities authorised under this Agreement, shall be:

   (a) non-discriminatory;

   (b) reasonable and not applied with a view to, or with the effect of, creating unnecessary obstacles to the conduct of a mitigation activity or mitigation activities under this Agreement; and

   (c) commensurate with the cost of the service rendered, if imposed in respect of a service rendered by or on behalf of that Party.

2. Each Party shall notify the other Party of any changes to such fees, charges and taxes in writing, and publish this information pursuant to Article 12 (Transparency) at least three months before such changes take effect. The notification shall include an explanation for the relevant changes to such fees, charges and taxes.

Article 15. Confidentiality

1. Unless otherwise provided in this Agreement, where a Party provides information to the other Party in accordance with this Agreement and designates the information as confidential, the Party receiving the information shall maintain the confidentiality of the information and use it only for the purposes specified by the Party providing the information, and not disclose it without specific written permission of the Party providing the information.

2. The Parties may discuss and conclude any specific arrangement or agreement between them on the protection of confidential information, which may be derived from cooperation under this Agreement.

3. The provisions of this Article shall remain in effect, notwithstanding the termination of this Agreement.

Article 16. Financial Arrangements

Unless the Parties agree otherwise in writing, any expenses incurred in the implementation of this Agreement shall be borne by the Party incurring the expense.

Article 17. Intellectual Property Rights

1. The protection of intellectual property rights shall be enforced in conformity with the respective domestic laws, regulations and administrative frameworks of the Parties.

2. The use of the names, logos and/or official emblems of a Party on any publication, document and/or paper shall be prohibited without prior written approval of that Party concerned.

3. The title to, and intellectual property rights in, or in relation to, any document or material supplied by one Party to the other Party under this Agreement shall remain with the Party which supplied the document or material. Such title and rights shall be respected and protected by the Party which received the document or material.

4. Unless the Parties agree otherwise in writing, each Party shall retain full ownership of all intellectual property rights owned or developed by that Party.

5. Ownership of any new intellectual property rights in respect of any material jointly developed by the Parties in the course of implementing this Agreement shall be mutually agreed by the Parties in writing.

6. For the purpose of this Article, "intellectual property rights" includes all rights in the nature of copyright and related rights, designs, patents, trade secrets, trademarks and related rights.

7. The provisions of this Article shall remain in effect, notwithstanding the termination of this Agreement.

Article 18. Entry into Force

This Agreement shall enter into force on the date of signing.

Article 19. Status of Annexes

The Annexes to this Agreement shall form part of this Agreement and be read as if they are a part of this Agreement.

Article 20. Review and Amendments

1. The Parties may conduct a review of this Agreement before the end of each NDC implementation period.

2. The Parties may mutually agree in writing, by way of exchange of notes between the Parties through diplomatic channels, to amend, modify or supplement any part of this Agreement or the Annexes. Such amendments, modification or supplementation shall enter into force on such date as may be jointly determined by the Parties. For Zambia, such amendment, modification or supplementation requires the approval of the Attorney General of the Republic of Zambia.

3. Notwithstanding paragraph 2, the Joint Committee may:

(a) by way of a decision taken in accordance with Article 5(2), amend the pre-approved list of carbon crediting programmes and methodologies; and

(b) by way of a decision taken in accordance with Section VI of **Annex C**, amend **Annex B**.

Such amendments shall enter into force on such date as stated in the decision regarding the aforementioned amendments.

4. Unless otherwise agreed by the Parties, the amendment shall not apply to any mitigation activity that has already been authorised by the Parties pursuant to Article 4 (Authorisation of Mitigation Activities and Mitigation Outcomes) prior to the date of entry into force of such amendment.

Article 21. Dispute Resolution

1. A Party may, in writing, request consultations with the other Party on the interpretation, application or implementation of this Agreement, including its existence, validity or termination.

2. Where a Party is of the view that a dispute has arisen between the Parties as to the interpretation, application or implementation of this Agreement, including its existence, validity or termination, such Party shall first refer the dispute to the Joint Committee for amicable settlement.

3. If the dispute is not settled by the Joint Committee within 90 days from the date such referral is made to it pursuant to paragraph 2 of this Article (or such longer period as the Parties may agree in writing), the Party which made such referral shall notify the other Party through diplomatic channels that it wishes to enter into direct negotiations to resolve the dispute and both Parties shall endeavour, in good faith, to resolve the dispute through direct negotiations.

4. If the dispute is not settled within 90 days from the date of the notification pursuant to paragraph 3 of this Article (or such longer period as the Parties may mutually agree in writing), the Party which made such notification may submit the dispute to final and binding arbitration in accordance with the Permanent Court of Arbitration Optional Rules for Arbitrating Disputes between Two States in effect as on the date of this Agreement.

5. For greater certainty, nothing in this Article prevents the Parties from, at any time, jointly submitting the dispute to final and binding arbitration in accordance with the Permanent Court of Arbitration Optional Rules for Arbitrating Disputes between Two States in effect as on the date of this Agreement.

6. Nothing in this Article prevents the Parties from agreeing at any time to settle a dispute between them concerning the interpretation, application or implementation of this Agreement, including its existence, validity or termination, by any alternative method of dispute resolution of their own choice.

Article 22. Termination

1. This Agreement may be terminated mutually in writing by way of exchange of notes between the Parties through diplomatic channels.

2. Either Party may terminate this Agreement by providing written notice to the other Party through diplomatic channels. Such termination shall take effect at the end of the NDC implementation period during which such notice is provided (*i.e.* earliest on 1 January 2031, for the NDC implementation period ending 2030), unless the Parties agree otherwise in writing.

3. The termination of this Agreement pursuant to paragraphs 1 and 2 of this Article shall not affect the conduct or completion of any mitigation activity which has been authorised under this Agreement prior to the effective date of termination, unless the Parties agree otherwise in writing. Notwithstanding the termination of this Agreement, the Agreement and its Annexes shall remain operative and in full force and effect in relation to such mitigation activities, unless the Parties agree otherwise in writing.

4. Notwithstanding paragraph 3 of this Article, this Agreement and all authorisations under this Agreement shall terminate if either Party withdraws from the Paris Agreement. Such termination shall take effect on the same date as the date on which the Party's withdrawal from the Paris Agreement takes effect.

5. In the event of termination, the Joint Committee shall inform all project participants with ongoing mitigation activities authorised under this Agreement of the termination of this Agreement on or before the date on which such termination takes effect.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the undersigned, being duly authorised thereto by their respective Governments, have signed this Agreement, in duplicate at Antalya, Türkiye, on the 18th day of November in the year 2026, in the English language.

FOR THE GOVERNMENT OF THE REPUBLIC OF SINGAPORE

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MINISTER FOR SUSTAINABILITY AND THE ENVIRONMENT AND MINISTER-IN-CHARGE OF TRADE RELATIONS

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