STRATEGIC PLAN MID-TERM REVIEW

INPUTS AND COMMENTS FROM THE MEMBERS

(Replies to the Circular Letters- up to 4 Nov 2013)

In response to 1ST Circular Letter (TCS/189-2013 – 14 June 2013) and 2ndCircular Letter (TCS/215-2013 – 16 July 2013)

	Proponent	Comments
ESCAP		
WMO		
Cambodia		
China	 Page 15, KRA6, SG6a, associated activities, under Meteorology: Add a bullet "Conduct Analysis and promote timely upgrading of Tropical Depressions, for the purpose of effective warnings issued by Members." Page 16, KRA6, SG6c, associated activities, under Meteorology: Add a bullet "Identify requirements and improve less developed Members' typhoon forecast system, especially the utility of ensemble products." Page 16, KRA6, SG6b, associated activities, under Meteorology: Modify the second bullet to "Improve less developed Members' information communication system and typhoon 	Message August 21, 2013 04:39 AM) (already inputted)
	information processing system."	
DPR Korea		
Hong Kong, China	HKO – Edwin Lai	Friday, July 12, 2013 5:04 PM
	(1) General comments (for the purpose of discussion in the next IWS):	
	(a) For KRA 1 and 2, we may need to start getting some facts and figures ready for comparison sake as we approach the end of the target 10-year period of 2006 - 2015.	

(b) For KRA 5, apparently not much has been achieved. Some consolidation and re-focus may be required here.	
(c) To explore how we can make suitable provisions within the SP to facilitate effective link-up with WMO's GFCS (Global Framework for Climate Services) initiative.	
(2) Specific comments (for proposed mid-term updates)	Specific Comments (2) (already inputted)
(a) A new paragraph under Section 3: "In view of the impact of climate changes and its resultant effects on the patterns and occurrences of typhoons, the Committee will keep abreast of the latest climate change assessment and establish linkage with major international initiatives to maximum information sharing as well as to facilitate optimal resource leverage in support of studies and efforts to cope with any future trends in typhoon behaviour, particularly with respect to disaster risk reduction and water resource implications." (Already inputted)	
(b) End of first paragraph in Section 6, propose to replace "in the next five years" with "in the 5-year plan" (and similarly elsewhere where applicable). (Already changed)	
(c) 2nd paragraph in Section 6, propose to move first four lines as a new paragraph under Section 7. (Already changed)	
 (d) KRA 7 Strategic Goal 7b (on page 8 and also in table on page 17): "To mobilize available resources, engage collaborators and link up with other major international initiatives to further the strategic goals and their implementation." (Already changed) 	
(e) In Table KRA 4 on page 11, QPE/QPF/PMP/PMF seem too technical and specific as integrated activities. May be better to place them under meteorology. (Already changed)	
(f) Suggest Olavo to add some text under integrated activities of SG 4b (or elsewhere if considered more appropriate) to provide some basis reference for the SSOP initiative.(Already changed)	
(g) To add under 2nd bullet of integrated activities of SG 6c: "Enhance the understanding of the processes related to tropical cyclone formation, intensity change and landfalling through collection of real time targeted observations in the vicinity of typhoons, including buoys and aircraft reconnaissance data."(Already changed)	

	 (h) Suggest to move last bullet of integrated activities of SG 7a to 7b, and to extend the text as follows: "Enhance the cooperation and linkage with ESCAP, WMO and other regional as well as international organizations and initiatives." 	
	(Already changed)	
Japan	FUJITA, Tsukasa (Mr.) Head, National Typhoon Center	(Already inputted)
	Forecast Division, Forecast Department-JMA Added in KRA 6a – Associated Activities (in column Met): Provide ensemble forecast products to promote their operational use by TC Members	(See JMA Letter 10 July 2013)
Lao PDR		
Macao, China		
Malaysia	 (See message Denise July 23, 2013 10:10 AM) <<i be="" could="" done="" feel="" more="" the<br="" to="">communities. Other than providing early warning systems, we could teach them how to strengthen or flood proof their houses by distributing pamphlets on this. Maybe this should be under DRR.</i> Flood plain managers should play a bigger role in landuse planning, ensuring highly flood prone areas are not being developed for residences. Thus people are less exposed to floods.>> 	(NOT YET INPUTTED)
Philippines		
Rep. of Korea		
Singapore		
Thailand	 (1)Research and Int. Coop. Bureau - Dep. of Disaster Prevention and Mitigation DDPM agreed to the Plan and no additional comment (message Thursday, June 27, 2013 10:55 AM) 	(1) (Message Thursday, June 27, 2013 10:55 AM)
	(2) TMD	(2) (Message : Friday, July

	Thailand (by the agencies concerned : TMD, RID and DDPM) is of the view that the present Strategic Plan 2012-2016 fully	12, 2013 4:25 PM
	covers the framework for implementation on Meteorology, Hydrology, and DRR to achieve the strategic goals. Only one suggestion is that abbreviation description (or list of abbreviations) be provided for any abbreviation used in the SP (for example : PMP, PMF in page 11 of 17, someone may not know its meaning).	(Not yet Abbreviations List)
Viet Nam		
USA		