PARTNERSHIP FOR MARKET READINESS (PMR)

Seventeenth Partnership Assembly Meeting
Tokyo, October 24-27, 2017

Resolution No. PA17/2017-2

Third allocation of funding for Targeted Technical Support to Kazakhstan

WHEREAS:

(1) The Partnership Assembly (PA), through Resolution No. PA7/2013-3 (Targeted Technical Support to Kazakhstan), allocated targeted technical support to Kazakhstan to help Kazakhstan implement its National Emissions Trading Scheme for an amount up to US$1 million over three years, provided that Kazakhstan, at a PA meeting, presents its proposed specific activities that require PMR funding support, in order to seek feedback and endorsement by the PA.

(2) Resolution No. PA7/2013-3 further invited the PMR Secretariat to consider creating a new category of countries under the PMR Governance Framework to institutionalize the status of countries such as Kazakhstan under the PMR Governance Framework and to make a proposal on such institutional changes at the eighth PA meeting.

(3) Per Resolution No. PA8/2014-3 (Amendment to the PMR Governance Framework), the PMR Governance Framework was amended to allow some countries to join the PMR as Technical Partners subject to the PA’s prior consideration and approval. Per Resolution No. PA8/2014-5 (Allocation of funding for Targeted Technical Support to Kazakhstan) Kazakhstan was approved as a Technical Partner of the PMR and was allocated funding as a Technical Partner for targeted technical support of the activities proposed to be carried out in Kazakhstan’s “Proposal for Targeted Technical Support” in the amount of US$500,000.

(4) Per Resolution No. PA13/2015-1 (Second allocation of funding for Targeted Technical Support to Kazakhstan) was allocated funding as a Technical Partner for targeted technical support of the activities proposed to be carried out in Kazakhstan’s “Second Proposal for Targeted Technical Support” in the amount of US$500,000.

(5) As per Section 4.10 of the (amended) PMR Governance Framework, a country that has been approved as a Technical Partner by the PA may, on a case-by-case basis, request the PA to allocate funding to provide targeted technical support to complement its domestic actions in developing or implementing an emissions trading scheme, a carbon tax or
another market instrument which serves the objectives of the PMR set out in Section I (Objectives of the PMR) of the (amended) PMR Governance Framework.

(6) Kazakhstan regularly updated the PA on its progress by providing annual ‘Project Implementation Status Reports’ at PA13 (October 2015), PA15 (October 2016), and PA17 (October 2017). At this meeting, Kazakhstan has presented to the PA an “Additional Proposal for Targeted Technical Support”.

(7) Pursuant to Section 4.3(c) of the (amended) PMR Governance Framework, the PA is responsible for making a decision on the allocation of PMR funding to Technical Partners, in the absence of the establishment of a Partnership Committee.

(8) The PA considered Kazakhstan’s “Additional Proposal for Targeted Technical Support” at this meeting and acknowledged the progress made by Kazakhstan to develop its National Emissions Trading Scheme.

THE PARTNERSHIP ASSEMBLY:

1. Decides, in accordance with the criteria included in Resolution No. PA 16/2017-6, to allocate additional funding to Kazakhstan as a Technical Partner for Targeted Technical Support of the activities proposed to be carried out in Kazakhstan’s “Additional Proposal for Targeted Technical Support” in the amount of US$ 500,000, with the expectation that such activities will be implemented in accordance with the “Additional Proposal for Targeted Technical Support” prior to the end of the PMR operational phase.

2. Invites Kazakhstan and the Delivery Partner to use best efforts to update and finalize in a timely manner the implementation arrangements for the PMR activities and to periodically update the PA on progress made in the implementation thereof, in accordance with the requirements under the PMR Operations Monitoring System as included in the PMR Results Framework (PMR Note PA7 2013-3; adopted as per Resolution PA7/2013-2) and specified in PMR Note PA12 2015-6.