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Report of the IAI Directorate

**Decision XXVI/19: Report of the IAI Directorate on the merger with the Science
Development Directorate and the Science-Policy Liaison Directorate**

1. This document has been prepared by the IAI Directorate.

Background

2. The Conference of the Parties, at its 26th meeting (CoP-26, Antigua, 2018), adopted Decision XXVI/19, which states:

The Conference of the Parties is invited to instruct the Integrated Operations and Finance Directorate to merge with the Science Development Directorate and the Science-Policy Liaison Directorate in Montevideo, Uruguay.

3. At CoP-26, the Conference of the Parties also retired Decision XX/10, *Tripartite Proposal for hosting the IAI*.

Implementation of Decision XXVI/19

4. As instructed, the IAI Directorate merged operations of the Science-Policy Liaison Directorate in Buenos Aires, Argentina, with those of the Integrated Operations and Finance Directorate in July 2018. It also informed Brazil that establishment of the Science Development Office would not be necessary in light of the Decisions adopted at CoP-26.

5. Responsibilities for activities under the Science-Policy Liaison Directorate were assumed by the Program Officer, Science-Policy.
6. The integration of services under the Science-Policy Liaison Directorate were completed successfully without interruption of services and advice to Parties.
7. The IAI Directorate is grateful for the assistance provided by Argentina, Brazil and Uruguay during the merging of the Directorates.

Recommendation

8. The Conference of the Parties is invited is invited to take note of this document.