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The ECOSOC Secretariat stands ready to support the President of ECOSOC, the ECOSOC Bureau and the 2014 NVP Member States and Observers in designing a fruitful and productive 2014 substantive session.

2. The NVP process and its outcomes

NVPs and sustainable development

The Outcome Document of the Rio+20 Conference mandates ECOSOC to play a key role in achieving t

into national policy instruments and strategy.

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Part B. Thematic focus

This section could be anchored on the 2012 theme of the AMR: “

e”. It could also address the Country’s policies and strategies for

ensure a vibrant and productive dialogue. The overall length of the NVP will be one hour if the country is presenting alone. Beginning in 2011, there were also jointly held NVP presentations by two countries, with a total length of two hours. In 2014, it is proposed that a limited number of countries be paired for a more in-depth review exercise which would also mean a two hour session that includes both countries.

Cabinet Ministers will deliver the presentations. Governments are encouraged to also involve in the presentation representatives of other stakeholder groups that participated in the national consultation process.

Approximately three NVP reviewers will be selected by each presenting country. To prepare for such an interaction, NVP countries will share the national reports with the Reviewers in advance of the presentation and could organize a meeting with the Reviewer on the overall approach to the session.

The Reviewers will identify the key bottlenecks and, during the NVP session, pose questions to the presenting country arising from its review process, immediately following the national presentation (made by the Cabinet Minister of the presenting country and one or two other representatives, if any).

The discussion will then be opened to all the participants to make brief observations or put additional questions, after which the representatives of the presenting country will be given an opportunity to respond. At the end of the session, the moderator will draw main conclusions.

The comments by the Reviewers should provide feedback to the presenting country and guide the

g. Media

A media series leading up to the presentation could be planned with leading media partners. Newspaper/magazine articles could be written relating to the NVP, to be published in major and international newspapers and magazines, and interviews and discussions could be arranged. Live broadcast of the national presentation at ECOSOC to a local audience could be planned.