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"We have meanwhile set up a process and there are also independent institutions monitoring which objectives of our G7 meetings we actually achieve. When it comes to these goals we have a compliance rate of about 80%, according to the University of Toronto. Germany, with its 87%, comes off pretty well. That means that next year too, under the Japanese G7 presidency, we are going to check where we stand in comparison to what we have discussed with each other now. So a lot of what we have resolved to do here together is something that we are going to have to work very hard at over the next few months. But I think that it has become apparent that we, as the G7, want to assume responsibility far beyond the prosperity in our own countries. That's why today's outreach meetings, that is the meetings with our guests, were also of great importance."

Chancellor Angela Merkel, Schloss Elmau, 8 June 2015

G7 summits are a moment for people to judge whether aspirational intent is met by concrete commitments. The G7 Research Group provides a report card on the implementation of G7 and G20 commitments. It is a good moment for the public to interact with leaders and say, you took a leadership position on these issues — a year later, or three years later, what have you accomplished?

Achim Steiner, Administrator, United Nations Development Programme, in G7 Canada: The 2018 Charlevoix Summit



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12. Development: Sustainable Development Goals

"We are determined to work together to address global challenges, in line with Sustainable Development Goals of the 2030 Agenda and taking into account the African Union Agenda 2063."

Biarritz Declaration for a G7 and Africa Partnership

Assessment

	No Compliance	Partial Compliance	Full Compliance
Canada			+1
France			+1
Germany			+1
Italy			+1
Japan			+1
United Kingdom			+1
United States		0	
European Union			+1
Average		+0.88 (94%)	

Background

The Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs) were adopted in 2015 at the United Nations Sustainable Development Summit in New York. 1096 Here the UN General Assembly "acknowledge[d] the need to further mainstream sustainable development at all levels, integrating economic, social and environmental aspects and recognizing their interlinkages, so as to achieve sustainable development in all its dimensions." 1097 The 17 SDGs are interconnected while providing a guideline with multiple targets for tackling the root causes of poverty and environmental degradation, thereby offering an opportunity for all people to enjoy peace and prosperity. 1098 These 17 goals prioritize economic, social, and environmental progress, including in areas such as economic inequality, education, and sustainable consumption among others. 1099

The SDGs are the successor to the Millennium Development Goals (MDGs).¹¹⁰⁰ On 8 September 2000, the MDGs were established as the United Nations General Assembly first adopted the UN Millennium Declaration which reaffirmed their "collective responsibility to uphold the principles of human dignity, equality and equity at the global level."¹¹⁰¹ Fifteen years later the UN published the MDG Report 2015, which illustrated the MDGs' achievements and shortfalls.¹¹⁰² During this period,

¹⁰⁹⁶ Sustainable Development Goals, United Nations Development Programme (New York). Access date: 13 October 2019. http://www.undp.org/content/undp/en/home/sustainable-development-goals.html

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⁽https://www.un.org/millenniumgoals/2015 MDG Report/pdf/MDG%202015%20rev%20(July%201).pdf

global efforts had produced profound achievements, however, progress was uneven, with the poorest and most vulnerable left behind. 1103

On 25 September 2015, world leaders at the UN Sustainable Development Summit adopted the 2030 Agenda for Sustainable Development. This 15-year agenda centres on the SDGs, that stated to be developed in 2012, and that built upon the MDGs. This ambitious agenda aims to eliminate poverty, decrease inequality, and added new issues such as energy access and sustainable consumption.¹¹⁰⁴

On 16 May 2016, at the G7 Toyama environment ministers' meeting, ministers welcomed the adoption of the 2030 Agenda for Sustainable Development.¹¹⁰⁵ The ministers recognized that the "SDGs will be critical to the people, planet and prosperity for the upcoming 15 years and beyond" and that within their "mandate as G7 environment ministers, [they] have important active roles in implementing the SDGs so that all dimensions are addressed in a [they] have important active roles in implementing the SDGs so that all dimensions are addressed in a balanced manner."¹¹⁰⁶ In 2017 at Taormina, G7 leaders reaffirmed their desire to promote sustainable development as envisaged by the 2030 Agenda for Development.¹¹⁰⁷ Additionally, in Charlevoix 2019, leaders innovative financing frameworks in order to work towards achieving the 2030 Agenda.¹¹⁰⁸

The Africa Union Agenda 2063 meanwhile was produced in 2013 after the African Union celebrated its 50th anniversary and began the development for its new 50-year agenda. The African Union Commission (AUC), supported by the New Partnership for Africa's Development (NEPAD), Planning and Coordinating Agency, the African Development Bank and the United Nations Economic Commission for Africa created Agenda 2063, which the AU adopted in 2015.

Within the long-term vision of Agenda 2063, the AUC also developed the First Ten Year Implementation Plan of Agenda 2063 (2013-2023).¹¹¹¹ This is the first in a series of five ten-year programs to provide attainable development objectives in areas such as infrastructure and technology. Included are 12 Flagship Projects, such as the creation of an Integrated High-Speed Train Network, near-term national and Regional Economic Communities, development priorities to ensure the

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¹¹⁰⁸ The Charlevoix G7 Summit Communiqué, G7 Information Centre (Toronto) 9 June 2018. Access Date: 13 October 2019. (http://www.g7.utoronto.ca/summit/2018charlevoix/communique.html

¹¹⁰⁹ Agenda 2063: First Ten-Year Implementation Plan 2014-2023, tralac (Stellenbosch) 31 March 2016. Access Date: 13 October 2019. https://www.tralac.org/news/article/9370-agenda-2063-first-ten-year-implementation-plan-2014-2023.html.

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successful completion of long-term development aspirations, and continental frameworks such as the Science Technology Innovation Strategy for Africa, in order to support state development efforts.¹¹¹²

The G7 has been governing on development, including in Africa, since its start. Notably, at the 2002 Kananaskis Summit, the G8 members created the Action Plan for Africa in response to the outcomes to the NEPAD economic development program summit in 2001. The G8 leaders agreed to partner with NEPAD countries to address issue areas such as health care, economic projects, debt relief, and water management.

In 2005, G8 members agreed to increase aid to developing countries by USD50 billion, in addition to debt cancellation for the 18 poorest states in the African continent.¹¹¹⁵ Furthermore, G8 members committed to expanding Aids treatment, providing new resources for peacekeeping forces, a strengthening democracy and good governance on the continent.¹¹¹⁶

In 2011, at the Deauville Summit, the G8 members agreed to support the economic communities of Africa and the Minimum Integration Programme of the African Union.¹¹¹⁷ Members committed to improving infrastructure and strengthening economic resilience, in line with the economic pillar of the SDGs.¹¹¹⁸ The G7 leaders reaffirmed this commitment, and was discussed at the 2016 Ise-Shima Summit, and the 2017 Taormina Summit.

In the 2018 Charlevoix Summit Communiqué, the G7 members reiterated their commitment to realizing Africa's potential through Agenda 2063 and outlined new priorities for security, stability, and sustainable development. Additionally, the G7 leaders agreed to the *Charlevoix Commitment on Innovative Financing for Development* to promote economic growth in developing economies and foster greater equality of opportunity within and between countries. 1120

Commitment Features

This commitment refers to a larger set of development goals outlined in both the African Union Agenda 2063 and the 2030 Agenda for Sustainable Development. Through Agenda 2063, African leaders pledged to accelerate growth, development, and prosperity across the continent, reinforced by a pan-African vision of self-reliance and socioeconomic enhancement.

Agenda 2063 has seven key aspirations, including:

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Deauville G8 Summit Final Compliance Report, G8 Research Group (Toronto) 18 May 2012. Access Date: 13 October 2019. http://www.g8live.org/wp-content/uploads/2014/09/2011g8finalcompliance.pdf

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- 1. Sustainable development to modernize infrastructure, preserve the environment, improve education, and eradicate poverty
- 2. A united continent free from colonialism, oppression, and restrictive border policies
- 3. A democratic Africa supportive of human rights, the rule of law, justice, and good governance
- 4. A peaceful Africa
- 5. Entrenched pan-Africanism promoting the cultural diversity and heritage of the region
- 6. People-driven development aimed at empowering women and youth
- 7. A globally influential and self-reliant Africa¹¹²¹

The 2030 Agenda has three key pillars:

- 1. Social dimension of sustainable development: implies that "the poor, vulnerable, and marginalized in both developed and developing countries should be assured a minimum level of social and environmental protection, and a basic standard of living." 1122
- 2. Environmental dimension of sustainable development: suggests that people must "live within our means and achieve greater prosperity in an inclusive manner within the capacity of the Earth's life support system." 1123
- 3. Economic dimension of sustainable development: indicates the need to increase "natural, social and economic capital to achieve greater resilience and secure future generations' livelihoods."¹¹²⁴

At the core of this commitment is the recognition that G7 members must work together to address global challenges in line with the 2030 Agenda. This refers to embracing actions that tackle social, economic, and environmental issues outlined throughout the Agenda. For instance, policies that reduce poverty, end gender inequalities, and promote clean energy all fall under the scope of the agenda. Additionally, the commitment states that G7 members must work together to address these global challenges, thereby actions must be in coordination to achieve compliance.

The second part of this commitment states that G7 members must take into account the African Union Agenda 2063. Thereby, the G7 must align their actions with the aforementioned seven priorities in their support for Agenda 2063, in order to score compliance in the second portion of this commitment.

In this context, to achieve full compliance G7 members must work in partnership to implement multiple sustainable development actions that achieve the goals outlined in the 2030 Agenda. Additionally, these actions must support the African Union Agenda 2063 in a manner consistent with the seven priorities of this continental blueprint. Therefore, these G7 actions must aim to promote sustainable development throughout Africa. Actions include enacting policies and financing investments that aim to end inequalities, promote inclusive growth, and tackle the climate challenge,

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¹¹²¹Agenda 2063, African Union Foundation (Addis Ababa) 2015. Access Date: 13 October 2019. https://au.int/sites/default/files/documents/36204-doc-agenda2063 popular version en.pdf.

he Three Dimensions of Sustainable Development, UNEP (New York) 2015. Access Date 13 October 2019. https://sustainabledevelopment.un.org/content/documents/3782unep2.pdf

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for instance. Thereby given actions must consider the economic, social, and environmental pillars of the SDGs.

If the G7 members demonstrate action towards implementing the 2030 Agenda, but without consideration for Africa in accordance with the Agenda 2063, then they will receive only partial compliance.

Non-compliance, or -1, is assigned to any G7 member who fails to implement any actions in accordance with the 2030 Agenda.

The G7 member works to achieve the 2030 Agenda for Sustainable Development and takes into account the African Union Agenda 2063.

Scoring Guidelines

-1	G7 member NEITHER takes any actions towards the 2030 Agenda, NOR takes actions that support the African Union Agenda 2063.
0	G7 member takes action towards implementing the 2030 Agenda, but takes NO action that supports the African Union Agenda 2063.
+1	G7 member takes action implementing multiple sustainable development actions that achieve the goals outlined in the 2030 agenda AND takes actions that support the African Union Agenda 2063.

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Canada: +1

Canada has fully complied with its commitment to the development goals outlined in both the African Union Agenda 2063 and the 2030 Agenda for Sustainable Development.

On 26 August 2019, the Government of Canada announced that Canada will provide CAD1 million in funding to support the 2020 elections in Ethiopia. The objective of this project is to help Ethiopia's electoral management body increase its capacity, put in place transparency measures and build trust with the electorate. The project will have a special focus on ensuring the inclusive participation in the electoral process of women, youth and ethnic groups in all regions of the country. 1127

On 28 August 2019, the Government of Canada announced up to CAD20 million over the next five years to help improve access to quality health and reproductive services for women and girls in Mali. 1128 The funding is provided to train more than 2,300 health professionals, managers and trainers in the Bamako, Kayes, Koulikoro, Ségou and Sikasso regions on gender equality and sexual and

¹¹²⁶ Canada provides electoral funding support to strengthen democracy in Ethiopia, Global Affairs Canada (Ottawa) 26 August 2019. Access Date: 16 December 2019. https://www.canada.ca/en/global-affairs/news/2019/08/canada-provides-electoral-funding-support-to-strengthen-democracy-in-ethiopia.html.

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reproductive health and rights.¹¹²⁹ The project will also aid capacity building of managers responsible for the Malian government's human resources management to improve the performance of the health system.¹¹³⁰

On 28 November 2019, the Government of Canada reaffirmed its commitment to the Ottawa Convention and announced CAD8.3 million to support mine-affected communities, including CAD2 million for landmine clearance in northern Sri Lanka, where women will comprise 50 per cent of the workforce. The project aims to ensure "gender equality in decision-making processes, as well as in implementation and universalization of the convention." 1132

On 9 December 2019, the Government of Canada announced that the Healthy Families Pakistan initiative, led by the United Nations Population Fund in partnership with the Aga Khan Development Network, would receive federal funding of up to CAD21 million over the next five years to support gender-sensitive approach to women's reproductive health services in Pakistan.¹¹³³ The project aims to provide women and adolescent girls with "safe and accessible family planning resources" and address underlying "social and cultural barriers" to accessing health services.¹¹³⁴

On 10 December 2019, the Government of Canada, at the United Nations Climate Change Conference in Madrid, reaffirmed its commitment to ambitious climate action, including exceeding current 2030 targets and reaching net-zero emissions by 2050.¹¹³⁵ The Government of Canada also welcomed new endorsees of the Ocean Plastics Charter¹¹³⁶ and new members of the Powering Past Coal Alliance.¹¹³⁷ Canada also announced a contribution of CAD5 million in support of the Partnership for Market Implementation at the World Bank, to provide technical assistance to

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¹¹³⁷ Canada welcomes new members to the Powering Past Coal Alliance at COP25, Environment and Climate Change Canada (Ottawa) 10 December 2019. Access Date: 18 December 2019. https://www.canada.ca/en/environment-climate-change/news/2019/12/canada-welcomes-new-members-to-the-powering-past-coal-alliance-at-cop25.html

developing countries to design, pilot and implement carbon pricing and market instruments.¹¹³⁸ The Partnership is expected to begin in July 2020, with anticipated USD100 million in capitalization.¹¹³⁹

On 16 December 2019, the Government of Canada announced it will be providing a repayable contribution in the amount of CAD1.7 million dollars under the Regional Economic Growth Through Innovation program, in cooperation with the Government of Quebec for a total of CAD4.7 million in financial assistance to Coop Agri-Énergie Warwick to develop a cooperative agricultural biomethanizer and the production of renewable energy. This project is a local initiative to reduce greenhouse gas emissions in the agricultural sector, while also reducing emissions resulting from the use of fossil-based natural gas and synthetic fertilizers. 1141

On 17 December 2019, the Government of Canada announced up to CAD8.5 million in funding to the University of Calgary to support energy-savings project including retrofits at the University's Foothills Campus and Main Campus. 1142 The project aims to reduce energy consumption in laboratories and medical buildings. 1143 The funding is part of the Government of Canada's Low Carbon Economy Challenge, which invests in projects that reduce carbon pollution, save money, and create jobs. 1144

On 19 December 2019, the Government of Canada participated in the G7 High Level (Labour and Employment) meeting in Paris, France. 1145 At the meeting, labour and employment representatives of G7 members, along with international social partners and international organizations, discussed the importance of reducing inequalities and working together to address the opportunities and changes generated by technological transformation and their impact on the future of work. 1146 The

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Government of Canada is committed to achieving concrete results on gender equality, reducing wage gaps and ending violence and harassment in the workplace. 1147

Through involvement in sustainable initiatives, like the Climate Action Incentive Payment, and engagement and aid with African Union members, like reproductive health projects in Mali, Canada has taken action towards both the United Nations Sustainable Development Goals and the African Union Agenda 2063.

Thus, Canada has received a score of +1.

Analyst: Marjila Yousof

France: +1

France has fully complied with its commitment to support the Sustainable Development Goals of the 2030 Agenda and taking into account the African Union Agenda 2063.

On 10 October 2019, President Emmanuel Macron pledged USD1.5 billion at the Global Fund's Sixth Replenishment Conference. 1148 The president also made a "stirring appeal" at the conference, inducing other donors to "[make] last minute-minute increases on top of their original pledges" in order to reach the Global Fund target of at least USD14 trillion.¹¹⁴⁹ These funds will go towards efforts to end AIDS, tuberculosis, and malaria. 1150

On 22 October 2019, Minister of State attached to the Minister for Europe and Foreign Affairs Jean-Baptiste Lemoyne launched France's new international strategy for food security, nutrition and sustainable agriculture at its launch event. This new strategy is designed to "focus France's international development activities for the period of 2019-2024 on this issue, in particular by supporting more sustainable, nutritious food and agricultural systems and by developing a type of agriculture that is more productive from an economic, social, and environmental standpoint."1151

On 6 November 2019, President Emmanuel Macron and President Xi Jinping committed to fulfilling "the commitments by developed countries to provide and mobilize USD100 billion each year for climate finance by 2020 and set a new collective quantified goal from a floor of USD100 billion per year by 2025."1152 This was part of the Beijing Call for Biodiversity Conservation and Climate Change in which both presidents expressed "their full support for multilateralism in international

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¹¹⁴⁷ Minister Qualtrough concludes successful G7 High Level (Labour and Employment) meeting in France, Newswire (New York) 19 December 2019. Access Date: 19 December 2019. https://www.newswire.ca/news-releases/ministerqualtrough-concludes-successful-g7-high-level-labour-and-employment-meeting-in-france-813918972. html

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Europe and Foreign Affairs (Paris) 6 November 2019. Access Date: 13 December 2019.

environmental governance" and committed to other actions against biodiversity loss and degradation of terrestrial ecosystems. 1153

On 28 November 2019, Chief Executive Officer of the Agence Française de Développement Rémy Rioux and Group Chief Executive Director of the African Guarantee Fund for Small and Medium-Sized Enterprises Félix Bikpo signed a sub-participation agreement of USD30 million.¹¹⁵⁴ This action seeks to "improve access to credit to small and medium-sized enterprises (SMEs) throughout the African continent" by increasing the capacity of the African Guarantee Fund to offer loans to small African businesses. 1155

On 9 December 2019, Agence Française de Développement lauched a EUR15 million seed fund in Africa as part of a "growing commitment to expanding the continent's digital ecosystem." This is part of EMERGING Valley, an international summit organized by the agency to "provide support and financing for African start-ups" as well as a "platform for emerging innovations and partnerships between Europe and Africa."1156

On 11 December 2019, the Agence Française de Développement Regional Director for Senegal, the Gambia, Cape Verde and Guinea Bissau Alexandre Pointier and the Minister of Finance and Economic Affairs, Mambureh Njie, signed an agreement formalizing budget support worth EUR2 million for Gambia. 1157

France has engaged in numerous actions to further the United Nations Sustainable Development Goals in alignment with the African Union's Agenda 2063 by engaging in economic development projects with members of the African Union and by supporting global efforts around these goals.

Thus, France has received a score of +1.

Analyst: Yu Xin Liu (Daisy)

Germany: +1

Germany has fully complied with its commitment to address global challenges, in line with Sustainable Development Goals of the 2030 Agenda and taking into account the African Union Agenda 2063.

¹¹⁵³ Statement of UNCCD Executive Secretary Ibrahim Thiaw in response to the Beijing Call for Biodiversity Conservation and Climate Change, United Nations Convention to Combat Desertification (Bonn) 7 November 2019. Access Date: 13 December 2019. https://www.unccd.int/news-events/statement-unccd-executive-secretary-ibrahim-thiaw-responsebeijing-call-biodiversity

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¹¹⁵⁷ Gambia: French Development Agency Grants Budget Support to Government, allAfrica (Kanifing) 11 December 2019. Access Date: 13 December 2019. https://allafrica.com/stories/201912110900.html

On 9 September 2019, Federal Minister of Development Gerd Müller launched the "Green Button" textile certification mark. 1158 This mark certifies that textile manufacturers meet a series of 26 minimum social and environmental standards. 1159

On 23 September 2019, Minister Müller committed EUR200 million to a global forest conservation program in partnership with the World Bank. 1160 Additionally, Minister Müller committed EUR30 million to the Central African Forest Initiative. 1161

On 12 November 2019, Minister Müller announced the expansion of family planning and maternity ward stations in Cameroon, Malawi, and Niger. 1162

On 19 November 2019, Chancellor Angela Merkel committed EUR20 million to the G20 Compact with Africa Facility, which will support local green businesses in Africa. 1163

On 10 December 2019, Federal Minister for Environment, Nature Conservation and Nuclear Safety Svenja Schulze committed EUR30 million to the Adaptation Fund. The Adaptation Fund finances sustainable climate change adaptation projects in developing countries. 1165

On 11 December 2019, Minister Schulze committed EUR20 million to support 12 developing countries in implementing climate targets in land use and agricultural sectors. 1166

Germany provides 200 million euros in seed funding for World Bank loan programme for forest conservation, Federal Ministry for Economic Cooperation and Development (Bonn) 23 September 2019. Access Date: 16 December 2019. http://www.bmz.de/en/press/aktuelleMeldungen/2019/september/190923_pm_051_Germany-provides-200-million-euros-in-seed-funding-for-World-Bank-loan-programme-for-forest-conservation/index.html

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¹¹⁶³ G20 Compact with Africa Facility supports green business, Federal Ministry for Economic Cooperation and Development (Bonn) 19 November 2019. Access Date: 16 December 2019. https://www.bmu.de/en/pressrelease/g20-compact-with-africa-facility-supports-green-business-1/

¹¹⁶⁴ UN Climate Change Conference: Germany supports Adaptation Fund with 30 million euros, Federal Ministry for the Environment, Nature Conservation and Nuclear Safety (Bonn) 10 December 2019. Access Date: 16 December 2019. https://www.bmu.de/en/pressrelease/un-climate-change-conference-germany-supports-adaptation-fund-with-30-million-euros/

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Germany has committed funds to a variety of sustainable development projects worldwide, including projects in line with the African Union Agenda 2063.

Thus, Germany has received a score of +1.

Analyst: Sterling Mancuso

Italy: +1

Italy has fully complied with its commitment to the development goals outlined in both the African Union Agenda 2063 and the 2030 Agenda for Sustainable Development.

On 18 September 2019, the Government of Italy presented the project entitled "Mediterranean Diet's principles for Agenda 2030," a multi-day event focused on carrying out scientific studies, considerations and analyses on the Mediterranean Diet. The project aims to promote and disseminate knowledge of the principles underlying the Mediterranean Diet, benefits to community health and wellbeing, and benefits to the environment and to the planet's resources. It will also dedicate days to "protecting biodiversity, respecting the environment, nutritional aspects, less food waste, the role of women" – to assure a sustainable agricultural and nutritional development model.

On 3 October 2019, the Government of Italy signed an intergovernmental agreement with Jordan under which Italian Cooperation will contribute EUR85 million to the education and training of children and young people in Jordan. The agreement part of the 2016-2025 Jordanian national human resources development strategy to achieve the Agenda 2030 sustainable development goals. The project aims to fulfill two goals by 2025: ensure that all boys and girls have access to quality education, and all young adults who have technical and professional skills, have access to jobs.

¹¹⁶⁷ Italy presents the project "Mediterranean Diet's principles for Agenda 2030", Ministero degli Affari Esteri e Della Cooperazione Internazionale (Roma) 18 September 2019. Access Date: 17 December 2019.

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¹¹⁷² Italy-Jordan: 85 million euros for education and training, Ministero degli Affari Esteri e Della Cooperazione Internazionale (Roma) 03 October 2019. Access Date: 17 December 2019.

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On 15 October 2019, the Government of Italy donated 10 ambulances and three water tankers to the Government of Niger to enable the authorities to provide assistance to migrants and tackle human trafficking, through the Fund for Africa. 1173

On 23 October 2019, the Government of Italy reaffirmed its commitment to partnering with African Countries for inclusive and sustainable development towards the UN 2030 Agenda and the Agenda 2063 of the African Union during a debate chaired by the President of the UN General Assembly. 1174 The Government of Italy also expressed strong support for the African Architecture of Peace and Security, for strengthening the trilateral cooperation between the UN, African Union and European Union, and welcomed the entry into force of the African continental Free Trade Area, which represents a big step towards an integrated and peaceful Africa. 1175

On 29 October 2019, the Government of Italy co-sponsored an unanimously adopted resolution on Women, Peace and Security Agenda at the Security Council meeting.¹¹⁷⁶ The next step will be the organization in Rome on 3 and 4 December at an international seminar on the responsibility of States to promote the participation of women in peace processes, in collaboration with UN Women, and the third edition of the Women's Forum.¹¹⁷⁷

On 30 October 2019, the Government of Italy spoke at the meeting of the UN Commission for the Consolidation of Peace dedicated to the situation in Central Africa, reaffirming its commitment to promoting the full implementation of the Bangui peace agreement, and calling upon the UN and the international community to support the 2020/2021 elections in the Central African Republic, which "represents an important step for democracy in the country."¹¹⁷⁸

On 4 November 2019, the Government of Italy announced that state schools will begin incorporating sustainability and climate crisis into as many compulsory subjects for school children as possible. Other subjects including geography, mathematics and physics will be taught from the perspective of sustainability, with one hour a week dedicated to the themes of global heating and humans' influence on the plant. Starting in September 2020, a 33-hour-a-year lesson will be used

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¹¹⁷³ Italy donates 10 ambulances to the Niger Government, Ministero degli Affari Esteri e Della Cooperazione Internazionale (Roma) 15 October 2019. Access Date: 17 December 2019.

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as a pilot program to ultimately incorporate the United Nations 2030 Agenda for Sustainable Development into the entire curriculum. 1181

On 21 November 2019, the Government of Italy and UNESCO, signed the MAECI-UNESCO agreement in Doha for the implementation of a joint cooperation project aimed at ensuring access to education for children in Iraq who currently cannot go to school, with the Government of Italy committing EUR1 million to the project.¹¹⁸² The funds will be used by UNESCO to restart ten schools, conduct campaigns to promote enrollment and provide school kits to about 17,000 boys and girls of the Governorships of Salah al-Din and Baghdad.¹¹⁸³

On 26 November 2019, the Government of Italy opened the Italy-Africa Business Week in Milan, designed to boost business relations and economic cooperation with the African continent. Deputy Minister Emanuela Del Re met the Somali Minister of Information, Culture and Tourism, Mohamed and the Minister of Commerce, Industry and Handicrafts of Burkina Faso, highlighting the growing trade volume with Africa. 1185

On 5 December 2019, the Italian Embassy in Nairobi and the Italian Cultural Institute in Kenya in association with World Agroforestry Centre, Centre for International Forestry Research, and Bioversity International, held a symposium on "Climate Change, Forests and Food Security" in Nairobi. The main goal of the event was for Kenya and Italy to exchange ideas on best practices, and to discuss the integrated management of the territory, taking into account the current climate change and food security challenges. 187

On 9 December 2019, the Government of Italy, at the 33rd International Conference of the Red Cross and Red Crescent, made an open pledge to take all the necessary steps to assure that children may live safely and enjoy their fundamental rights also in situations of conflict. Italy's pledge aims to prevent violence against children, through continuity of education, access of humanitarian operations

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to children in conflict zones, and awareness raising campaigns against the recruitment and deployment of children in armed conflicts. 1188

On 13 December 2019, the Government of Italy in coordination with the Food and Agriculture Organization) and Future Food Institute announced the second edition of international training bootcamps to train a new class of "Climate Shapers" to address and mitigate the climate crisis through the regeneration of agri-food systems, with three Italian stops in Marettimo (Sicily), Rome and Bologna. The project aims to address four themes, "Climate Smart Cities," "Climate Smart Farms," "Climate Smart Oceans," and "Climate Smart Kitchen."

Italy has taken action to both support the United Nations Sustainable Development Goals as well as specifically support the African Union's Agenda 2063 through general development aid and targeted engagement with members of the African Union.

Thus, Italy has received a score of +1.

Analyst: Marjila Yousof

Japan: +1

Japan has fully complied with its commitment to take action to support the goals outlined in the 2030 Agenda on Sustainable Development and support the African Union Agenda 2063.

On 27 August 2019, the Ministry of Economy, Trade and Industry inaugurated two bodies under the Strategic Policy Committee of the Advisory Committee for Natural Resources and Energy: the Subcommittee on System Reform for Renewable Energy as Main Power Source and the Subcommittee for Sustainable Power Systems. 1191 This was done in response to past large-scale blackouts with the goal of advancing the development of technologies for "making renewable energy become a main power source against the backdrop of increasing demand for decarbonization." 1192

On 29 August 2019, the Prime Minister Shinzo Abe met with Prime Minister of Federal Democratic Republic of Ethiopia H.E. Dr. Abiy Ahmed Ali and pledged support for Ethiopian development through two grant aids for elections and improvement of Ethiopian health and medical services as well as the dispatchment of an agricultural expert to improve agricultural productivity in Ethiopia. 1193

On 30 August 2019, the Prime Minister Shinzō Abe "announced Japan's decision to provide emergency grant aid of [USD5 million] and the dispatch of the Japan Disaster Relief

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Team/Infectious Disease Response Team" in response to the recent Ebola outbreak in the Democratic Republic of the Congo. 1194

On 30 August 2019, Japan and the African Union Member States along with the representatives of Intergovernmental African, international and regional organizations and partner countries as well as the private sector and civil society organizations from Japan and Africa committed to the Yokohama Declaration 2019. Japan committed to the "Yokohama Plan of Actions 2019" with the overarching theme of "Advancing Africa's Development through People, Technology and Innovation." The three main pillars are "accelerating economic transformation and improving business environment through innovation and private sector engagement," "deepening sustainable and resilient society," and strengthening peace and stability. 1196

On 25 September 2019, Minister of Economy, Trade and Industry of Japan Isshu Sugawara announced the "Carbon Recycling 3C Initiative" and also signed the Memorandum of Cooperation on Carbon Recycling between Japan and Australia. The initiative is aimed towards the use of carbon dioxide as a fuel and material and includes three specific actions: 1. promotion of mutual exchange (Caravan); 2. establishment of research and development and demonstration base (Center of Research); and 3. promotion of international joint research (Collaboration). 1198

On 10 October 2019, Chair of the TCFD Consortium and Professor at Hitotsubashi University Kunio Ito announced the Guidance for Utilizing Climate-related Information to promote Green Investment (Green Invest Guidance). This effort aims to realize a "virtuous cycle of environment and growth." The three basic approaches are to: 1. "promote constructive dialogue (engagement) with companies, leading to enhanced coporate value"; 2. "identify and assess the risks and opportunities posed by climate change"; and 3. "promote innovation for decarbonization, and to create mechanisms for appropriate flow of funds."¹¹⁹⁹

On 31 October 2019, the Minister of Foreign Affairs for Japan Motegi Toshimitsu took part in the Joint Declaration on Cooperation in the Pacific Islands Region with the Minister of Foreign Affairs of New Zealand Winston Peters. 1200 The declaration outlined the implementation of actions such as the Annual Japan-New Zealand Pacific Policy Dialogue and various projects in support of ocean conservation, preventing climate change, and promoting regional connectivity through airports, ports, and information and communication technology. 1201

On 4 November 2019, Prime Minister Shinzo Abe attended the 14th East Asia Summit and took part in the East Asian Summit Leaders' Statement on Partnership for Sustainability. 1202 This

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declaration required all affiliated countries to take actions towards goals such as to "enhance efforts at reducing poverty, promoting food and water security, [and] ensuring access to safe water and sanitation" as well as "collaboration on energy efficiency and conservation [and] promotion of renewable energy and effective use of all energy sources" among others. In regard to these goals, Minister Abe specifically stated that Japan will "promote improvements in energy access and resilience, diversification of energy resources, and cleaner energy technologies." ¹²⁰³

On 4 November 2019, Japan launched an initiative aimed at mobilizing USD3 billion from public and private sectors from 2020 to 2022, USD1.2 billion of which were specifically dedicated as an overseas loan and investment for ASEAN by the Japan International Cooperation Agency. These funds will be targeted towards "quality infrastructure development, improving financial access and supporting women, and green investment." ¹²⁰⁵

Japan has taken action to support both the United Nations Sustainable Development Goals through their aid and contributions to green initiatives and development projects. These actions contribute to the African Union Agenda 2063, as they are in partnerships with members of the African Union.

Thus, Japan has achieved is awarded a score of +1.

Analyst: Yu Xin (Daisy) Liu

United Kingdom: +1

The United Kingdom has fully complied with its commitments to multiple sustainable development actions that achieve the goals outlined in the 2030 Agenda for Sustainable Development and takes actions that support the African Union Agenda 2063.

On 30 August 2019, Prime Minister Boris Johnson announced GBP14 billion funding package for primary and secondary education between from 2019 to 2023, beginning with GBP2.6 billion for the 2020/21 year in order to guarantee quality education as a right to the youth. This funding package ensures that every secondary school will receive a minimum of GBP5,000 per pupil starting 2019/20 year. In addition, the package includes GBP700 million extra for children with Special Educational Needs and Disabilities in 2020/21.1206

On 10 September 2019, the Head of Office for the UK's Department of International Development (DFID) signed an agreement with the government of Somaliland and Denmark to support the implementation of Phase II of the Somaliland Development Fund programme, which aims to improve lives of local people through the delivery of essential public services, through building of critical infrastructure, such as roads, water systems and agricultural facilities, and capacity-building within Somaliland's institutions.¹²⁰⁷ The UK and Somaliland also signed a renewed Memorandum of

¹²⁰³ East Asian Summit Leaders' Statement on Partnership for Sustainability, Ministry of Foreign Affairs Japan (Tokyo) 4 November 2019. Access Date: 12 December 2019. https://www.mofa.go.jp/files/000541238.pdf

¹²⁰⁴ The 14th East Asian Summit, Ministry of Foreign Affairs Japan (Tokyo) 4 November 2019. Access Date: 12 December 2019. https://www.mofa.go.jp/a o/rp/page3e_001123.html

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¹²⁰⁷ British government signs agreements worth £31 million to support development in Somaliland, Government of UK (London) 11 September. Access Date: 1 Dec 2019. https://www.gov.uk/government/news/british-government-signs-agreements-worth-31m-to-support-development-in-somaliland

Understanding to support the implementation of the Energy Security and Resource Efficiency in Somaliland Programme that aims to provide a clean, affordable renewable energy in Somaliland.¹²⁰⁸

On 17 September 2019, Parliamentary Under Secretary of State and International Development Minister Baroness Sugg announced a new UK aid of GBP220 million at the Neglected Tropical Disease (NTD) NGO [Non-governmental Organization] Network Conference. The aid aims to tackle five NTDs, lymphatic filariasis (also known as elephantiasis); onchocerciasis; schistosomiasis; visceral leishmaniasis and trachoma, which can cause disability, death and disfigurement and trap victims in a cycle of poverty, across Southern and Eastern Africa, and South Asia. 1209

On 23 September 2019, Prime Minister Johnson announced the United Nations General Assembly to double the UK's international climate finance (ICF) funds. The ICF refers to UK aid to poorer countries to address the causes of climate change, such as preventing deforestation and reducing carbon emissions, and to deliberate its repercussions, such as developing climate-resilient crops or implementing early-warning systems in areas vulnerable to flooding. Prime Minister Johnson launched the Aryton Fund as part of the ICF, which offers GBP1 billion of aid to British scientists to develop technologies that can help the poorer countries to reduce emissions and meet global climate change targets. 1210

On 23 September 2019, Prime Minister Johnson announced GBP100 million investment in the new Bio-diverse Landscapes Fund to slow, stop, and reverse biodiversity loss in some of the world's most valuable habitats such as forests and mangroves.¹²¹¹

On 24 September 2019, Prime Minister Johnson announced GBP515 million to fund quality education for 12 million children – half of them girls – to improve women's rights in some of the poorest countries in the world. 1212

On 27 September 2019, International Development Secretary Alok Sharma announced a UK aid package will help mobilise GBP500 million in private sector investment and create 50,000 jobs across sub-Saharan Africa to give 12.5 million people across Africa better access to financial services, with a specific focus on providing benefits to women.¹²¹³

On 15 October 2019, the UK government introduced a new Environment bill to create a framework for legally binding targets, to move towards a circular resource and waste economy, and to improve air quality, water service, green space, and waste management.¹²¹⁴

¹²⁰⁸ British government signs agreements worth £31 million to support development in Somaliland, Government of UK (London) 11 September. Access Date: 1 Dec 2019. https://www.gov.uk/government/news/british-government-signs-agreements-worth-31m-to-support-development-in-somaliland

¹²⁰⁹ New UK aid support to protect 200 million people from debilitating diseases, Government of UK (London) 17 September 2019. Access Date: 1 Dec 2019. https://www.gov.uk/government/news/new-uk-aid-support-to-protect-200-million-people-from-debilitating-diseases

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¹²¹³ UK aid to boost access to finance for sub-Saharan Africa, Government of UK (London) 27 September 2019. Access Date: 1 Dec 2019. https://www.gov.uk/government/news/uk-aid-to-boost-access-to-finance-for-sub-saharan-africa ¹²¹⁴ Environment Bill 2019, Government of UK (London) 15 October 2019. Access Date: 7 Dec 2019. https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/environment-bill-2019

On 1 November 2019, Chancellor of the Exchequer Sajid Javid announced GBP250 million in funding for the Housing Infrastructure Fund to ensure over 20 000 new homes nationwide have access to the vital infrastructure they need. 1215

On 5 November 2019, International Development Secretary Alok Sharma pledged UK aid support to help vaccinate more than 400 million children a year against polio, with up to GBP400 million funded through the Global Polio Eradication Initiative. 1216

The United Kingdom has complied with its commitments to multiple sustainable development actions that achieve the goals outlined in the 2030 agenda and takes actions that support the African Union Agenda 2063, in the economic, social, and environmental aspects of the goals.

Thus, the United Kingdom has received a score of +1.

Analyst: Hillary (Hyunji) Song

United States: 0

The United States has partially complied with its commitment to uphold the United Nations Sustainable Development Goals, but not in alignment with the African Union's Agenda 2063.

On 5 September 2019, Deputy Secretary of State John Sullivan met with the Argentine Foreign Minister Jorge Faurie to discuss their shared interest in women's empowerment and small business promotion.¹²¹⁷ Minister Faurie welcomed the Overseas Private Investment Corporationapproval of USD400 million in financing to restore and expand the Corredor C Toll Road, an "essential trade route for Argentina's economy."1218

On 25 September 2019, the United States and the LEGO Foundation announced joint contributions of USD24.5 million to the global fund Education Cannot Wait (ECW). ECW aims to provide "safe, free and quality education to crisis-affected youth."1219 Through the partnership with the LEGO Foundation, the United States committed USD12 million and the LEGO Foundation provided a private-sector match of USD12.5 million. 1220

On 3 November 2019, the State Department announced the formation of the Indo-Pacific Transparency Fund as a part of the Indo-Pacific Transparency Initiative that had been created in

1216 UK aid to help vaccinate more than 400 million children a year against polio, Government of UK (London) 5 November 2019. Access Date: 14 Dec 2019. https://www.gov.uk/government/news/uk-aid-to-help-vaccinate-morethan-400-million-children-a-year-against-polio

¹²¹⁵ Infrastructure revolution to unlock thousands of new homes, Government of UK (London) 1 November 2019. Access Date: 14 December 2019. https://www.gov.uk/government/news/infrastructure-revolution-to-unlockthousands-of-new-homes

¹²¹⁷ Deputy Secretary Sullivan's Meeting with Argentine Foreign Minister Faurie, U.S. Department of State (Washington, D.C.) 6 September 2019. Access Date: 3 January 2020. https://www.state.gov/deputy-secretary-sullivans-meeting-withargentine-foreign-minister-faurie-2/

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November 2018.¹²²¹ The Transparency Fund will support "projects that promote the rule of law, civic space, and transparent and accountable governance in the advancement of a shared vision of an Indo-Pacific that is secure, open, inclusive, and rules-based."¹²²²

The United States has demonstrated consistent support for human rights and good governance around the world, in alignment with the United Nations Sustainable Development Goals, but has not upheld the principles of the Africa 2063 Agenda.

Thus, the United State has received a score of 0.

Analyst: Ally Johnson

European Union: +1

The European Union has fully complied with its commitment to address global challenges, in line with Sustainable Development Goals of the 2030 Agenda and taking into account the African Union Agenda 2063.

On 25 September 2019, European Commissioner for International Cooperation and Development Neven Mimica committed EUR60 million to assist the Central African Republic implement its peace plan, and re-establish basic services for its population. 1223

On 3 October 2019, the European Commission committed EUR27.5 million to assist Senegal with renewable energy projects and sustainable economic development.¹²²⁴

On 27 October 2019, Commissioner Mimica committed EUR53 million to support health care services in Zimbabwe and to promote equal access to health services, especially from a gender perspective. 1225

On 6 November 2019, the European Commission adopted an EUR79 million aid package to support sustainable health, education, and economic development in Yemen. 1226

On 1 December 2019, European Commissioner for International Partnerships Jutta Urpilainen committed EUR50 million to assist the Democratic Republic of Congo fight Ebola and malnutrition. 1227

On 6 December 2019, European Commission President Ursula von der Leyen committed EUR170 million to assist Ethiopia improve healthcare and create sustainable investment and jobs. 1228

 $https://ec.europa.eu/commission/presscorner/detail/en/ip_19_6653$

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On 8 December 2019, Commissioner Urpilainen committed EUR31 million to assist Kenya create jobs, promote economic stability, and tackle poverty. 1229

The European Union has committed funds to a variety of sustainable development projects worldwide, especially projects in line with the African Union Agenda 2063.

Thus, the European Union has received a score of +1.

Analyst: Sterling Mancuso

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