

Monitoring the Situation

Instructions: In the coming weeks, you will continue to follow events surrounding the climate change talks in Paris. First, write the key issues you identified in your “Identifying Key Issues” handout in the space below. Each week, you will consider two to three news sources and write a short two-or-three sentence update in Part I below. A news source might be an article, a news video or audio clip, or a photo slideshow. Make sure that the sources you explore are current, that is, created within the previous seven days. After your fourth update, answer the questions listed in Part II.

Key Issues

The key issues at stake at the COP in Paris are:

1.

2.

3.

Part I: Monitoring the Situation

Week 1

Date:

Sources:

Update:

If this update relates to any of your key issues, note their numbers here:

Name: _____

Week 2

Date:

Sources:

Update:

If this update relates to any of your key issues, note their numbers here:

Week 3

Date:

Sources:

Update:

If this update relates to any of your key issues, note their numbers here:

Week 4

Date:

Sources:

Update:

If this update relates to any of your key issues, note their numbers here:

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Part II: Analyzing the Situation

1. What were some of the major developments or events during the Conference?
2. What was the outcome of the Conference?
3. What have been the responses of different governments and groups?
4. Which news sources did you find most useful in researching this topic? Which were the least useful?
5. How important do you think COP 21 is to the international response to climate change? How do you think the global crisis will continue to play out?