

**STATEMENT BY NIGERIA AT THE OPENING OF THE AD HOC WORKING GROUP ON DURBAN PLATFORM (ADP 2.6 HELD IN BONN GERMANY, 20 OCTOBER 2014.**

Nigeria has the honour to speak at the opening of the ADP2.6 session and associate ourselves with the statement made by Sudan on behalf of the African Group of Negotiators.

2. Co-Chairs, first Nigeria would like to extend its message of goodwill as you continue to steer the ADP negotiation process at this crucial time. Nigeria would like to also pledge its continuing commitment to achieve the objectives of the Convention and the ADP.

3. As we determinedly move forward to Lima and the deadline of December 2014 for elements of the draft negotiating text, we would like reiterate the call for our approach to be robust and balanced in the two work streams. In our view, agreements reached under work stream II provides confidence and trust building measures for work stream I.

4. Co-chairs, Nigeria calls for adaptation to be central in the 2015 Agreement, with strong and clear commitments for Annex II Parties. In the context of adaptation, it is essential to look at the overall need for adaptation finance more broadly, including aspects of investment opportunities, institutional arrangements, cooperation and adequate and predictable adaptation finance reflected in an Adaptation Goal.

5. We support earlier submissions by the African Group and that of the Group of 77 + China that finance is key and should be balanced with adaptation and mitigation actions. Accordingly, Nigeria reiterates:

- i. That the adequacy of the USD100 billion target should be a start up target with potential to be scaled up;

- ii. The need for predictability and sustainability of the USD100 for financing climate change activities by year 2020 and beyond;
- iii. Ensuring climate financing; and commitment by Developed country Parties to provide USD70 from 2016 and run-up to 2020;
- iv. That sourcing the USD100 billion fund should be from public sources to be supplemented by private finance;
- v. That there should be specific commitments, differentiated for Parties, covering mitigation, adaptation, finance and technology

6. At this session of ADP, we must play a decisive role in our work towards the elements for a negotiating text that will lead to a 2015 agreement. However, as indicated by the African Group, we are concerned by the differing status of the two documents you provided, in terms of INDCs presented as a draft text, whilst elements of the agreement are a non-paper, it must be realize that, our efforts should continue to be guided by the core principles agreed by Parties that:

- The process will continue to be Party-driven;
- The process will continue to build on inputs from Parties;
- Any outputs of the process will reflect inputs from Parties.

7. We look forward to fruitful engagement on the agenda of the session

8. Co-Chairs, I thank you.