

## **United Nations**Climate Change Secretariat

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Dear Spokesperson of ADP negotiating group,

Following this morning's very successful ADP opening ceremony here in Geneva, we would like to convey to you our deepest gratitude for your outstanding initiative in kindly agreeing not to read your statement and accepting to post it on the web.

It sent a clear message of the commitment of your negotiating group to make the best use of the very limited time available, so as to ensure the fulfilment of the Lima commitment to make available the negotiating text of the draft Paris agreement at the end of this session.

We would like also to thank the heads of the negotiating groups that kindly volunteered to read only some part of their statement and those that delivered very short statements.

Our gratitude goes also to the Executive Secretary of the UNFCCC, Christiana Figueres who has deliberately, for the benefit of time, refrained from making opening remarks.

The ceremony of this Geneva session will be remembered as the shortest opening ceremony of any international meeting.

Dan Reifsnyder

ADP Co-Chair

We look forward to your continued support and cooperation in our common journey to Paris.

Yours sincerely,

Ahmed Djoghlaf

ADP Cb-Ghair\

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Executive Secretary of the UNFCCC