

Vice Minister Emilio Sempris

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Panama on Behalf of the Coalition for Rainforest Nations

**COALITION FOR RAINFOREST NATIONS
Statement Opening CMP10**

Lima, 1 December 2014

Thank you Mr. President,

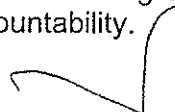
Panama has the honour to speak on behalf of the 52 countries of the Coalition for Rainforest Nations, of which the following have endorsed this statement: *Bangladesh, Cameroon, Central African Republic, Chad, Cote d'Ivoire, Democratic Republic of Congo, Dominica, Dominican Republic, Fiji, Ghana, Guinea, Guyana, Honduras, Kenya, Liberia, Papua New Guinea, Republic of Congo, Solomon Islands, Togo, and Uganda.*

Mr. President, at the outset we would like to associate ourselves with the statement made by the distinguished delegate of Bolivia, on behalf of the group of 77 and China.

Mr. President, our Coalition has always recognized the great value of the Kyoto Protocol and its architecture in the fight against climate change.

We therefore call for all Parties to expeditiously ratify the Doha Amendment so that the next phase of the Protocol can begin.

Mr. President, we also believe the experience and the solid elements of the Kyoto Protocol should be taken onboard by the future climate agreement, in particular the critical points on transparency and accountability.



Finally Mr. President, you can count on our support and we fully trust your leadership will help us to achieve another milestone in the fight against climate change.

I thank you Mr. President.