APA Facilitative Dialogue 2016 High-level ministerial

Distinguished Ministers and delegates,

My name is Janet Kachinga and I'm speaking on behalf of Climate Action Network.

To stand a chance at not exceeding the 1.5°C temperature limit, all countries urgently need to enhance short-term ambition and accelerate their efforts.

We've witnessed Parties enthusiastically ratify the Paris Agreement. Now we need accelerated ratification of the Doha Amendment. The agreements reached at ICAO and in Kigali under the Montreal Protocol present further opportunities for enhancing ambition immediately, through early implementation.

Transformational initiatives like the International Solar Alliance, the Africa Renewable Energy Initiative and the Least Developed Countries Renewable Energy and Energy Efficiency Initiative are taking off, and must be supported. Capacity-building initiatives like the one on Transparency will further underpin efforts to peak emissions before 2020.

Parties on track to surpass their 2020 targets must share good practice encouraging other countries to follow suit, and account for their overachievement when revising the targets in their NDCs- which, we remind Parties, may be updated at any time, and we hope no later than in 2018.

The urgency for action has not diminished. It is more than ever, time to act.

Thank you.