



THE SECRETARY-GENERAL

13 February 2013

Excellency,

I would like to congratulate your Government for the adoption of the Doha Amendment to the Kyoto Protocol (herewith enclosed) to the United Nations Framework Convention on Climate Change (UNFCCC), wherein Parties to the Kyoto Protocol agreed to a second commitment period for the Kyoto Protocol from 2013 to 2020.

The decision of your Government is a critical step in the global effort to tackle climate change. I would encourage you to swiftly accept this important Amendment.

In order to facilitate the Amendment's entry into force, and as the Depositary of the UNFCCC, I am pleased to share with you the attached note, which recalls the procedure for the Amendment's acceptance and contains a model instrument of acceptance. I hope this information will be useful in your consideration of this Amendment.

I remain deeply committed to supporting your Government and the international community in your efforts to address climate change. I take this opportunity to once again urge you to accelerate climate action in your country and to scale-up global efforts to reach an ambitious climate agreement by 2015. It is through your leadership and close cooperation that we will ensure a sustainable, prosperous future for all.

Please accept, Excellency, the assurances of my highest consideration.

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Ban Ki-moon". The signature is fluid and cursive, with the first letters of each name being capitalized and prominent.

BAN/Ki-moon