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Mr. President, Execellencies, Distinguished Delegates, Ladies and Gentlemen,

1. On behalf of the Royal Thai Government and the people of the Kingdom of Thailand, I would like to convey our deepest condolences to the Government of France and all those affected by the recent tragic incident in Paris. We stand in full solidarity with the people of France.

Mr. President,

- 2. The Royal Thai Government has placed great importance to addressing the challenge of climate change. Our Prime Minister, on the occasion of the seventieth Session of the United Nations General Assembly in New York, has clearly stated Thailand's vision and the political will to act for this cause.
- 3. His cabinet approved the Intended Nationally Determined Contribution (INDC), which target to reduce our greenhouse gas emission between twenty and twenty-five percent by the year two thousand and thirty.

- 4. In order to achieve our target under INDC plan, the Thai government highlight major upcoming milestones, especially in energy and transport sectors.
- 5. For energy sector, we focus on the promotion of renewable energy consumption and the adoption of the Power Development Plan, which will reduce greenhouse gas emission by saving energy and introducing renewable energy technology.
- 6. In the transport sector, Thailand has many ongoing infrastructure projects on mass transportation system; such as the ten lines Mass Rapid Transit, the construction of double track railways and the extension of railway network into the neighboring countries project.
- 7. In addition to the above plans, we have also focused on the promotion of voluntary carbon market in the industrial sector.
- 8. That government realizes the importance of forestation. Therefore, we aim to increase the forest area nationwide.
- 9. Lastly, Thailand reaffirms our support for reaching a meaningful, balanced and comprehensive global climate change agreement at this conference.

Thank you.