

## **Umbrella Group statement**

### **President's informal stocktaking plenary**

**3 December**

Mr President,

I have the privilege to speak on behalf of the Umbrella Group of countries: Canada, Japan, Kazakhstan, New Zealand, Norway, the Russian Federation, Ukraine, the United States and Australia.

Mr President

Thank you for the opportunity to express our views on the critical priorities that we need to deliver here in Doha.

I will be brief given the large amount of work still to be done.

We are all very aware that a successful outcome here in Doha means delivering the finely balanced deal struck in Durban on the KP, LCA and ADP.

While we have made progress over the year and during the first week of negotiations, there is still a great deal of work to be done to ensure a package is ready for delivery.

Kyoto Protocol parties want to deliver a second commitment period of the Kyoto Protocol. To do this, it is vital that issues around operability and eligibility are addressed promptly. We have little time left and we urge parties to be pragmatic to ensure the continuity of the Kyoto Protocol and its mechanisms from 1 January 2013.

We want to deliver the LCA agreed outcome by the end of this week, recalling that this outcome comprises not only the agreements we reach in Doha, but also the substantial outcomes achieved in Cancun and Durban. Parties now need to spend the limited remaining time to focus on any further areas of convergence on which agreed outcomes can realistically be built. We hope the process initiated by the Chair this morning will allow us to refocus our attention, help us recognise what the LCA has achieved, and finalise any remaining work.

We continue to work closely with the Co-Chairs of the ADP to identify how the outcome at Doha can capture the substantive discussions we've had on a 2020

climate change agreement and on enhancing mitigation ambition. This outcome needs to send a clear signal that the ADP is on track, and that the UNFCCC continues to find ways to strengthen the global response to climate change.

Mr President

As our Ministers arrive in Doha, we want to be able to demonstrate where we have been able to find convergence, and show them where we need further political direction. We look to you to help lead us in this process, and we give you our full support to ensure that we deliver.

Thank you.