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Mr. President,
Head of States and Governments,
H.E. UN Secretary General,
Honorable Ministers,
Excellencies,
Distinguished Head of Delegates,
Ladies and gentlemen,

At the outset, I would like to express my sincere gratitude to the government and people of Qatar for hosting this important and well organized conference for which hard work has been put since the beginning of this year.

I would also like to thank the UNFCCC Secretariat for excellent organization of this conference and its continuous efforts to advance the objectives of the Convention.

Mr. President,

It has been a considerable period of time since we in Bali charted a roadmap toward a global deal in addressing the pressing challenges of climate change.

We acknowledge progress made in Cancun and Durban on several issues of negotiations under the Convention and the Kyoto Protocol. These include the establishment of several infrastructures of the building blocks of the Bali Action Plan.

Nonetheless, we still have unfinished business. To reach a fair and ambitious global consensus on how to mitigate climate change, to adapt to adverse

impacts of climate change, and to provide scaled-up support of finance, technology, and capacity building, for the medium and long-term objectives post 2012.

In this regard, based on the principles of common but differentiated responsibilities and respective capabilities, Indonesia is of the view that developed countries should show their leadership in reducing emissions. At the same time, despite no obligation, developing countries have been doing a lot domestically in mitigation action.

Unfortunately, the level of ambition of emission reduction by developed countries is still lower than what the science recommends. There is no time to wait. We need to raise this ambition and close the gap from now up to 2020.

Leaving Doha with empty-handed is **not an option. Doha must deliver** an ambitious, substantive and balanced outcome benefit for all. Therefore, it is absolutely necessary that we, the Ministers, do our utmost efforts and show flexibility beyond respective positions to find convergence on delicate issues.

Mr. President,

Let me highlight three key elements that Indonesia considers important for Doha to deliver.

First, adoption of the second commitment period of Kyoto Protocol must be one of the key deliverables of Doha meeting. Ad Hoc Working Group on Further Commitment of Annex I Parties under the Kyoto Protocol (AWG-KP) must deliver a strong and effective second commitment period under the Kyoto Protocol that preserves environmental integrity. Parties must work together with urgency and a common purpose to deliver the mandate collectively to ensure there is no gap between the first and second commitment periods.

Parties must have the willingness to resolve the remaining legal and technical issues that will allow us to reach a multilateral consensus and to strengthen the spirit of international cooperation.

Second, the termination of the mandate of the Ad Hoc Working Group on Long-term Cooperative Action under the Convention (AWG-LCA) here in Doha should guarantee that agreed outcome of all the elements of the Bali Action Plan has been delivered.

Our next challenge for post 2012 is the implementation of the elements of Bali Action Plan. Yet, some issues which have not met satisfactory result need to be addressed conclusively, taking into account some concerns of developing countries. Issues of how to address financing gap for post 2012, adaptation, technology and capacity building are the key interests for developing countries.

On finance, let me reiterate that the clarity on the initiation and trajectory of long-term finance implementation is a make-or-break element of Doha outcome.

Third, we perceive that the Ad Hoc Working Group on the Durban Platform for Enhanced Action (ADP) should bring about the work plan of the ADP for 2013 in the context of a broader vision and to advance its substantive work in addressing the pre-2020 ambition gap and delivering a new legally binding agreement by 2015.

Indonesia would also like to reiterate that the work under the ADP must not lead to the reinterpretation of the key principles of the Convention, especially the principles of equity, common but differentiated responsibility, and respective capabilities.

With that important note, Mr. President, let me assure you Indonesia's readiness to engage positively and constructively with all partners to ensure a successful, balanced and ambitious outcome here in Doha. We still have 36 hours to do it.

I thank you, Mr. President.