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Thank you Mr. Chair,

My name is Tara Nitz. I speak on behalf of Business and Industry Groups attending this meeting. We note the ongoing role of SBI in implementation of the UNFCCC, and in the Post 2020 Agreement; In both, business is a major actor and wishes to work with governments and the process to make progress to manage climate risks and improve energy security.

Over the past several months we have appreciated the opportunity to nominate business experts as advisors and observers to the GCF, TEC and CTCN. Also, we welcome their openness to interact with the wider business community at and between meetings. Business groups have created ad hoc, informal networks to fill and support those positions, providing input and disseminating results to the broader private sector community.

Building on this, we should all share a vision to create more efficient, effective, comprehensive channels for business engagement in the Post 2020 Agreement. Recognized channels would provide continuity, strategic purpose, and commitment of resources by business. Channels exist in other intergovernmental fora that could provide models for the UNFCCC. They build capacity and expert networks coherently over time and would result in a more valuable resource to the Secretariat, Parties and groups, especially for implementation.

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non-state actors to work cooperatively in more creative, voluntary ways to implement the Post 2020 Agreement, in particular to promote mitigation and

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