Brief Statement from Uganda Delegation to ADP 2.7 Closing Ceremony,13 December 2014. (Delivered by Chebet Maikut)

Thank you Co-Chairs.

Uganda expresses gratitude to you, Co-Chairs and the COP 20 President.

We further appreciate efforts by you Co-Chairs in producing the text before us.

Co-Chairs, the whole World is anxiously waiting for us to deliver concrete well balanced outcomes here in Lima. Let history not judge us harshly when science has already laid down its facts clearly on the table for us to base our firm take action.

Co-Chairs, my delegation associates with statements made by the Sudan on behalf of the African Group, Tuvalu for the LDCs. Venezuela for the Like Minded Countries and Nigeria.

My delegation appeals for voice of reason and conscious in reaching agreement here in Lima that will be strong basis for the 2015 agreement in Paris. We must respond to what the IPCC 5th Assessment Report tells us and ensure that the most vulnerable countries like Uganda are guaranteed of sustained food production and the continued socio=economic development.

Co-Chairs, my delegation therefore reiterates our emphasis on the following:

- i) No re-negotiation or re-writing of the Convention Principles particularly under Article 2 and Article 4.Differention therefore must be essential element of the 2015 agreement.
- Re-echo the need for the balanced treatment of all elements under Decision 1/CP.17, para 5 that includes inter alia Mitigation, Adaptation, Finance, Technology Transfer, Finance and transparency of actions.
- iii) On Loss and Damage, this has completely disappeared from the draft text before us despite being in the draft text agreed on 10 December 2014 in the evening.

Finally Uganda remains committed to supporting you Co-Chairs and the COP 20 {residency in delivering a legally binding Protocol next year, 2015.

Thank you Co-Chairs.