

The Chinese Delegation attentively listens to the progress reports by ICAO and IMO.

We thank these ~~Organisations~~ for the technical contributions and efforts. China aligns itself to the intervention of Cuba on behalf of the LMDCs, and.

Mr. Chair, International Civil Aviation Organization (ICAO) is currently launching the researches of the Global Market-based Measures Scheme (GMBM), with the purpose of avoiding the unilateral action adopted by individual jurisdictions against the international civil aviation. The 38th Assembly of ICAO has explicitly set out the guiding principles of the said researches, one of the most important of which is, the “CBDR” principle. To be abided by the “CBDR” principle is the political consensus towards the establishment of GMBM reached by the member States of ICAO, and it is also the decisive element of whether this multilateral mechanism can gain the wide recognition. Therefore, we underscore that the researches relating to the multilateral mechanism of international aviation must reflect the “CBDR” principle as set out by the 38th Assembly of ICAO.

Recently, ICAO has discussed the preliminary proposal of GMBM, namely, the “Strawman Proposal”. The “Strawman Proposal” is the one to decide each participant’s emission reduction obligation on the basis of their increment after 2020, thus brings about significant detrimental impact to the developing countries with fast growth rate after 2020. We deem it is an utter infringement upon the “CBDR” principle. Hence, China and several others jointly submitted a proposal taking into account of the historical responsibility of each party, which can reflect the guiding principles of the Assembly as a whole, including the “CBDR” principle. We urge each State to note such process, positively consider our proposal, work on it as the basis, so as to promote the negotiation process.

IMO has launched the development of a data collection system for fuel consumption of ships. The Secretariat has reported progresses achieved by the ~~States~~. On the other hand, despite the strong opposition to any unilateral measures by many states,

and the shipping industry, despite decisions have been explicitly made by international organizations that agreement should be reached through bilateral/multilateral consultation, some regions and states driven by political purpose, still unilaterally decide to adopt a regional Regulation on the Monitoring, Reporting and Verification (MRV) of ships' CO₂ emissions. These decisions will inevitably preempt and jeopardise ongoing negotiations at these organisations, be detrimental to the cohesion and solidarity of international actions addressing climate change, set a bad precedence and impair sustainable development of the shipping industry.

Mr. Chair, let me conclude by reiterating that the principle of CBDR enshrined in UNFCCC and its KP is the fundamental principle for the international community to address climate change and the basis for further consultation. Therefore, China strongly encourage member states of ICAO and IMO to further implement these principles, recognise differences of capabilities and resources between developed and developing states. We also request aforementioned regions and states return back to the track of multilateral negotiation and consultation, fully respect the primacy of UNFCCC as the principal framework in addressing the climate change, and refrain from impairing the sustainable development of these two industries.