VIEWS OF BRAZIL ON THE IMPLEMENTATION OF ALL THE ELEMENTS OF DECISION 1/CP.17, (B) MATTERS RELATED TO PARAGRAPHS 7 AND 8 (Workstream 2), ON THE WORK OF THE AD HOC WORKING GROUP ON THE DURBAN PLATFORM FOR ENHANCED ACTION

Actions, initiatives and options to enhance ambition: Carbon Capture and Storage

- 1. The Government of Brazil welcomes the opportunity to submit views regarding the implementation of all the elements of decision 1/CP.17, (b) matters related to paragraphs 7 and 8, in the context of the work of the Ad Hoc Working Group on the Durban Platform for Enhanced Action ("workstream 2").¹
- 2. Brazil believes that workstream 2 offers an opportunity to enhance action in the pre-2020 period with a view to increase the effectiveness of the mitigation commitments and contributions after 2020. The Durban Platform must give full recognition to such actions, initiatives and options in order to create positive incentives for taking action prior to the entry into force of the 2015 agreement under the Convention.
- 3. In this regard, it is important to recognize that, while there is general acknowledgement of the fact that the world will still use fossil fuels for a significant period of time, there is already an array of available technologies with the potential to generate substantial emission reductions from the use of fossil fuels. It is the view of Brazil that the dissemination, deployment and further development of such technologies to their maximum potential should be given priority under the UNFCCC, including through the provision of financial resources from the Green Climate Fund.
- 4. One such technology is carbon capture and storage (CCS). Brazil proposes that the ADP organize under workstream 2, as part of its plan of work in 2014, a workshop to explore the current status and potential of CCS as a mitigation tool and instrument for sustainable development, including projected cost scenarios over time, taking into account economies of scale.

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¹ Decision 1/CP.17 (Establishment of an Ad Hoc Working Group on the Durban Platform for enhanced action), paragraph 2.