



**STATEMENT ON BEHALF OF THE GROUP OF 77 AND CHINA BY  
AMBASSADOR RENE ORELLANA, CHAIR OF THE GROUP OF 77  
AND CHINA AT THE CLOSING PLENARY OF THE 40th SESSION  
OF THE SUBSIDIARY BODY FOR SCIENTIFIC AND  
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**Thank you Mr. Chairman,  
Excellencies,  
Distinguished representatives,  
Ladies and gentlemen,**

1. I have the honour to deliver this statement on behalf of the Group of 77 and China during the Closing Plenary of the 40<sup>th</sup> Session of this Subsidiary Body.

**Mr. Chairman, allow me to express the views of the Group in  
relation to the following items on the agenda:**

2. On issues related to agriculture, the group considers the conclusions that were reached by parties are a concrete step forward on the issue, and we welcome the four in-sessions workshops that we will have up till SBSTA 44, and consider the output in SBSTA 45. It is clear that those workshops and the technical and scientific SBSTA work will be conducted under SBSTA 38 mandate on the current state of scientific knowledge on how to enhance the adaptation of agriculture to climate change impacts while promoting rural development, sustainable development and productivity of agricultural systems and

China is of the view that we need to enhance scientific and technical capacity in those regions to fill these gaps.

**Mr. Chairman,**

11. Under the SBSTA's agenda items 12(a) and 12(b), that relate to articles 578 and 3.7 ter, the Group of the G77 & China had worked constructively to generate the necessary clarification on the rules to achieve a sustained and effective implementation of the second commitment period of the Kyoto Protocol in manner that maintains the environmental integrity of the commitments agreed in Doha.
12. Unfortunately flexibility and constructiveness was not always presented by our Partners. We hope this is not being taken by Parties as an excuse for not ratifying the second commitment period of the Kyoto protocol, as, in our view, any ambiguity in our understanding of 3.7 ter has been raised by parties with commitments under annex b to the KP.
13. We recognize that important work is needed on the in-session discussion document, which the parties were close to finishing in Warsaw. However, here in Bonn, we have not advanced in removing the problematic text within those brackets. Our hope is that we close this document in Lima and have a chance to move onwards with consideration of other issues related to this agenda item.
14. In regard to the 3.7 ter, we must all strive to protect the environmental integrity of the Kyoto protocol.

**Mr. Chairman,**

15. The G77 and China recognizes the importance of research and communication between the scientific community, policymakers and users. Therefore, we support the views of Parties that the UNFCCC website continues to be used as a channel to further enhance the availability and visibility of scientific information, including through social media, the UNFCCC E-newsletter and other tools. We look forward to the discussion on systematic observation in SBSTA 41 and to recommence discussions in a frank and focused manner on this matter in Lima, Peru.

**Thank you.**