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The Permanent Mission of the Republic of Zambia to the United Nations in New York presents its compliments to the United Nations Framework Convention on Climate Change (UNFCCC) Secretariat and has the honour to refer to the latter's notification to Parties referenced YDB/DBO/drl and dated 18 January, 2010 regarding the communication of information relating to the Copenhagen Accord. The Mission further has the honour to inform the esteemed Secretariat of the following:

Zambia wishes to express serious concern on the non-inclusive manner in which the high level consultations that led to the formulation of the Copenhagen Accord in Copenhagen, December 2009 were conducted. Zambia further wishes to reiterate its commitment to a Parties-led, transparent and inclusive negotiation process.

Zambia remains focused on continued negotiations along the two-track process of the Convention and the Kyoto Protocol on the basis of the work of the two Ad-Hoc Working Groups at COP-15 and CMP-5. Zambia expects this to result into a legally binding outcome at the Sixteenth Session of the Conference of Parties (COP-16) and Sixth Session of the Meeting of the Parties to the Kyoto Protocol (CMP-6) in Mexico in November 2010. In order to limit the global rise in temperature to levels consistent with scientific evidence, global emission reductions need to be more ambitious.

As a Least Developed Country (LDC), Zambia has no mitigation obligations under the Convention, the Kyoto Protocol and the Bali Road Map. However, Zambia has been, and is willing to make a contribution to global mitigation efforts, in the context of its

national sustainable development strategies and plans, with adequate international support in finance, technology and capacity building.

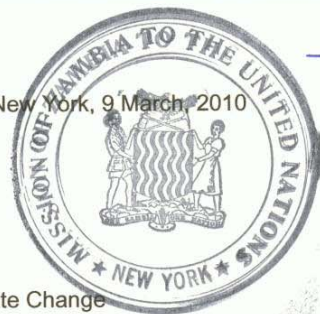
Zambia is one of the most vulnerable countries to the adverse effects of climate change and adaptation remains Zambia's top priority. For the country to implement its adaptation programmes including its National Adaptation Programme of Action (NAPA), and to ensure that national sustainable development goals are met, adequate support from the international community is required.

Zambia understands that the financial support included under the Copenhagen Accord should be new, adequate, additional and predictable. In order to address these requirements, it is Zambia's firm belief that public financing and not private financing will be more effective in addressing the needs of vulnerable developing countries.

It is on the basis of the foregoing that Zambia wishes to associate itself with the Copenhagen Accord and reserves the right to effectively contribute to global efforts towards a legally binding outcome at COP-16 in Mexico.

The Permanent Mission of the Republic of Zambia to the United Nations in New York avails itself of this opportunity to renew to the UNFCCC Secretariat the assurances of its highest consideration.

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