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## **China's Views on the Dialogue on Long-term Cooperative Action to Address Climate Change By Enhancing Implementation of the Convention**

The Conference of Parties at its eleventh session held in Montreal, Canada launched the Dialogue on long-term cooperative action to address climate change by enhancing implementation of the Convention by decision 1/CP.11. The Dialogue will be conducted in four workshops and focused on four themes, namely advancing development goals in a sustainable way, addressing action on adaptation, realizing the full potential of technology and realizing the full potential of market based opportunities. To date, three workshops have been conducted and all of the four thematic areas of the dialogue have been touched upon. The fourth dialogue will be held on 27-31 August 2007 in Vienna, which is the last workshop under the Dialogue. In this background, the co-facilitators of the Dialogue have invited Parties to provide views before 27 August 2007, on how to integrate the ideas and proposals presented into an appropriate international response to climate change. China would like to submit the following initial thoughts on how to move forward this important Convention Dialogue:

1. The United Nations Framework Convention on Climate Change is the universal, the most practical and effective international legal instrument for international cooperation to address the common challenge posed by climate change. However the provisions of the UNFCCC have not yet been fully implemented, in particular those related to capacity building, financial resources and technology transfer to developing countries to enhance their capability to address climate change under the framework of sustainable development. The Dialogue on long-term cooperative action to address climate change by enhancing implementation of the Convention provides a useful opportunity and tool for Parties to discuss ways to further strengthening the implementation of the Convention which is important for the success of international cooperation on addressing climate change.

2. During the last three workshops, Parties had useful discussions and exchanged their initial views on the four thematic areas of the dialogue which is important for further enhancing international cooperation on addressing climate change, and a lot of views and ideas expressed by the Parties deserve further and more focused discussion and deliberation.

3. China believes that the Convention Dialogue can play a positive role in further strengthening international cooperation to address climate change, and is very important to engage those Parties which are not Parties to the Kyoto Protocol in the discussions on the relevant post 2012 international arrangements, so it is necessary for the Bali Conference to extend the Convention Dialogue for two more years.

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