THE STATEMENT BY H.E. MS. SANJAASUREN OYUN, MP AND MINISTER FOR ENVIRONMENT AND GREEN DEVELOPMENT OF MONGOLIA AT THE HIGH LEVEL SEGMENT OF THE UNITED NATIONS CONFERENCE ON CLIMATE CHANGE LIMA, PERU, 9 DECEMBER, 2014

Mr. President, Excellences, Distinguished Delegates, Ladies and Gentlemen,

Let me begin by extending our warm congratulations to you, Mr. President, on your well-deserved election, and pledge full support of my delegation in discharge of your important duties to move forward the climate change negotiation process. I believe that the Parties to the UNFCCC and its Kyoto protocol could make great progress towards the 2015 agreement under your able leadership.

I also would like to thank the Government and people of Peru and the historic city of Lima hosting this conference, and excellent arrangements and warm hospitalities extended to the participants of the conference.

Mr. President,

Scientists in their Fifth Assessment Report of the IPCC have confirmed with greater confidence that the global climate change is unequivocal and unprecedented over decades to millennia. Also they have warned that these changes in our climate would be accelerated in the future and called for urgent action. Thus, it is time for action to prevent the unavoidable consequences of climate change. No time for more conservations and exchange of opinions. The world looks for our action. With less than a year left to conclude the Paris deal in 2015 for a new agreement under the UNFCCC, the Lima conference is a very important milestone. Here in Lima we have to make substantial progress on elaboration of the elements for a drafting negotiating text which is essential to the adoption of the universal agreement in Paris. The provisions of the new agreement should focus on enhanced action related to all core elements: adaptation, mitigation, finance, technology, capacity building and transparency.

We also should look forward to identifying the information that Parties will provide when submitting forward their intended nationally determined contributions in relation to the 2015 agreement. Intended Nationally Determined Contributions are the willingness and efforts of both the developed and developing countries to fight against climate change. Developed country Parties shall show their strong leadership not only in mitigation of greenhouse gas emissions, but also in provision of finance, technology transfer and capacity building support. Developing countries have urgent needs for these supports for their domestic preparations of their INDCs and for submitting information thereon, as well as for the implementation of their enhanced action both before and after 2020.

Mr. President,

For many developing countries, which are usually very vulnerable to climate change, it is crucial to be clearly informed about the level of sustainable financial support that will be provided by developed country Parties and financial institutions to developing country Parties to allow for enhanced implementation of the Convention. Therefore, as a representative of those who are most vulnerable to climate change, Mongolia is paying greater attention to the global challenges and problems associated with climate change and try to take appropriate actions at both national and global level. Recently, Mongolia has made a pledge of a small amount of money to the Green Climate Fund (GCF) at the Berlin Pledging meeting. Even though this is almost negligible, but we intended to call the big or small, the reach or poor countries to make their initial pledges to the GCF. Urgent full operationalization of the Fund and the significant capitalization of the Convention's financial mechanism, with new, additional, adequate, sustained, accessible, and predictable funding are essential to accelerate the real and action-oriented measures against climate change in the developing world.

Mr President,

The 2015 agreement should ensure that adaptation is as important as mitigation for those most vulnerable. Delaying adaptation and mitigation measures will increase the challenges, and will be the more difficult, intractable and more costly in the further actions. We call for especial attention to be given to National Adaptation Plans, Technology needs assessments for adaptation and mitigation, and the recommendations and potential projects and measures identified in these planning and assessment documents must become a reality. We reaffirm the importance of giving full consideration to the concrete actions that meet the specific needs and concerns of developing country Parties.

Mr. President,

In conclusion, I would like to express our sincere support to your leadership, Mr. President, and we are confident that this COP will be guided by your wisdom to secure the desired outcome here in Lima at COP20/CMP10 as an important and milestone and prelude to the successful completion of our work in Paris next year.

Thank you for your kind attention