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Mr. President, Your Excellencies, Distinguished delegates, Ladies and gentlemen,

It is a great honour for me to address this Conference, which we see as a COP of actions after Paris agreement entered into force.

I take this opportunity to convey my sincere gratitude to the Government of the Morocco who has spared no effort to ensure the success of this Conference.

Mr. President,

Recent remarkable event the entry into force of the Paris Agreement is a great historical chance for accelerated implementation of the United Nations convention on climate change. The international community needed less than 8 months to pass the 55 and 55 thresholds since this document was signed in April this year in New York, while we waited 8 years for entering into force of the Kyoto Protocol. It is a good reason to celebrate, but on the hand this is strong signal and message to act immediately to cope with ongoing and anticipated climate change. In my country we do not need to convince people about climate change. They can see its impact in everyday life. During the last 75 years period average air temperature over the territory of Mongolia has been increased by 2.24 degrees Celsius and annual total precipitation was decreased by 7.3 per cent. Accordingly aridness and rates are increasing which makes additional pressure on human well-being and hazard in some areas even on human survival.

Therefore Mongolia was among the first group of countries, who ratified the Paris Agreement, with hope that it will promote to address existing and emerging challenges attributed to the global warming in many, vulnerable to climate change, countries, including Mongolia. We believe that the new principles and approaches reflected and highlighted in Paris Agreement in respect of inclusiveness, capacity building, technology transfer, finance and others will allow us to be more close to reach the primary targets of the Convention, lessening the level of risk for humanities from possible unprecedented suffer because of climate calamities.

We convinced that multi-lateral and bi-lateral cooperation mechanisms from the legacy of the Kyoto Protocol and in line with Paris Agreement would play essential role in success of our undertakings toward to the implementation of the Convention.

Mongolia is benefitting for instance, from the cooperation with Japan based on Joint Credit Mechanism. Recently the two countries issued their first carbon credits under JCM, which

was for Mongolia its very first step toward to contribution to the mitigation of climate change through GHG emission reduction. Mongolia also is implementing projects to address concerns related to climate change and challenges associated with sustainable development with support of China within South-South cooperation. We have succeeded good results from projects supported by the Adaptation Fund. At the same we expect from new financial mechanism like Green Climate Fund. In this regard Mongolia is willing to support all endeavors to have different but fully feasible and workable mechanisms of cooperation as part of the Paris Agreement.

Mongolia will fully commit itself for the implementation of the Paris agreement and will actively participate in international cooperative activities for the achievement of its nationally determined contribution.

Thank you Mr. President