INFORMATION NOTE

I am pleased to convey to the operating entities of the financial mechanism of the Convention, and any other relevant organizations a message from the Co-Chairs of the Ad Hoc Working Group on the Durban Platform for Enhanced Action (ADP) contained in the annex to this note.

Yours sincerely,

(Signed by)

Christiana Figueres

Distribution: To operating entities of the financial mechanism of the Convention, and observer organizations.
Ladies and Gentlemen,

At its nineteenth session, the Conference of the Parties invited all Parties to initiate or intensify domestic preparations for their intended nationally determined contributions, without prejudice to the legal nature of the contributions, in the context of adopting a protocol, another legal instrument or an agreed outcome with legal force under the Convention applicable to all Parties towards achieving the objective of the Convention as set out in its Article 2 and to communicate them well in advance of the twenty-first session of the Conference of the Parties (by the first quarter of 2015 by those Parties ready to do so) in a manner that facilitates the clarity, transparency and understanding of the intended contributions, without prejudice to the legal nature of the contributions.

The Conference of the Parties also urged and requested developed country Parties, the operating entities of the financial mechanism and any other organizations in a position to do so to provide support for the above preparations as early as possible in 2014.

The upcoming session of the ADP to be held in Bonn, Germany on 10-14 March 2014 provides a good opportunity to take stock of steps that have been taken or are planned pursuant to the call from the Conference of the Parties. We will organize a briefing where organizations can inform participants of their initiatives. We have also requested the secretariat to facilitate coordination among the relevant institutions both during the March session and beyond, and to facilitate bilateral interactions with delegations as appropriate.

We would like to extend an invitation to all interested organizations to engage in a dialogue to foster the sharing of experience and information relevant to the above requests in order to raise awareness and advance understanding on how support can be provided, on networks and initiatives that can provide such support, on support available or being mobilized, and on modalities for access. Therefore, we would like to encourage all interested organizations to make the necessary arrangements to dedicate ample time for this opportunity for direct exchange during the session.

Further information on these activities will be made available in our scenario note and on the UNFCCC website.¹ For any questions, please contact the secretariat at: adp@unfccc.int.

Signed:

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¹ <http://unfccc.int/7980.php>