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INFORMATION NOTE

I am pleased to convey to all intergovernmental organizations (IGOs) and non-governmental organizations (NGOs) admitted as observers by the Conference of the Parties (COP) 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 Richard Kinley for)

Christiana Figueres

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Annex

Message from the Co-Chairs of the Ad Hoc Working Group on the Durban Platform for Enhanced Action (ADP)

Ladies and Gentlemen,

During the second part of the second session of the ADP, held in Bonn from 3–14 June 2013, the Group elected its new Bureau and entrusted us as Co-Chairs until the end of the ADP session that is to be held in conjunction with the 20th session of the Conference of the Parties (COP) in December 2014.

It is a great honour for us to be co-chairing the ADP during this time and we are looking forward to serving the process and to engaging with all Parties and observer organizations to advance the work of the ADP. The ADP has made very significant progress since its inception in 2011,¹ and, as noted by the former Co-Chairs of the ADP, Mr. Jayant M. Mauskar and Mr. Harald Dovland, in their note on progress, has laid the foundations to move on from developing an understanding of concepts to defining the content of the 2015 agreement and achieving results on pre-2020 ambition.²

At this moment we are looking forward to reading further submissions from Parties and observer organizations that are due shortly.³ However, the absence of an intersessional meeting in the second half of this year means that there would not be an opportunity to meet in a formal or informal setting before the resumption of the second session of the ADP in Warsaw, Poland, in November and with it no opportunity to have a conversation on the way forward to Warsaw and beyond. Notwithstanding, we are acutely aware of the views expressed on embarking on a more focussed and formal mode of discussions.

In this regard, it is our intention to build further confidence in the process on the way to 2015, and therefore we intend to engage with observer organizations during the sessions of the ADP and will provide further information in the future on how we plan to do so. In addition, if possible, we are also open to attend informal meetings organised by observer organizations who wish to meet with us between now and Warsaw.

In preparation for the upcoming session, we will make available on the UNFCCC website a note on our views on the work of the ADP in Warsaw and beyond.

As was the practice in the ADP under the chairmanship of the previous Co-Chairs, we would like to continue the open channel of communication with observer organizations. To this end, we extend an invitation to IGOs and NGOs to provide inputs to our thinking and contact us through the email CADP@unfccc.int.⁴

Signed:

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¹ The work and recent discussions are summarized in various documents, including the summaries of round tables and workshops listed in annex II of document FCCC/ADP/2013/2.

² ADP.InformalNote.2013.14, issued on 13 August 2013.

³ FCCC/ADP/2013/2, paragraphs 32–34.

⁴ General queries of an organizational, logistical or practical nature can also be directed to the ADP team of the secretariat by e-mail to: ADP@unfccc.int.