

**Submission by Angola on behalf of the Least Developed Countries Group – ‘surgical insertions’ to co-chairs’ non-paper (v. 5 October 2015) : ARTICLE 2: PURPOSE**

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1. The purpose of this Agreement is to enhance the implementation of the objective of the Convention and strengthen and support the global response to the urgent threat of climate change by further addressing its causes and by further increasing resilience and the ability to adapt to its adverse impacts, and effectively respond to loss and damage, with a view to promoting the global transformation to low-emission and climate-resilient and responsive societies and economies. It reflects common but differentiated responsibilities and respective capabilities, in light of different national circumstances.

2. Parties recognize that deep cuts in global greenhouse gas emissions are urgently required, with a view to reducing such emissions so as to hold the increase in the global average temperature [below 2 °C] [below 2 or 1.5 °C] [below 1.5°C] above pre-industrial levels, without prejudice to the CMA adjusting by decision the global long-term temperature goal on the basis of the best available scientific knowledge and/or a greater urgency to act.

2. bis. Parties shall be guided by gender sensitivity and equality, and respect the right of all humans to a safe and climate resilient environment, the right to development and the rights of indigenous peoples.