

# TURKEY

Mr. President,

We are quite cognizant of the tremendous responsibility you have shouldered to guide these negotiations to successful outcome in Lima and towards progress for the final outcome in Paris. And we are extremely grateful for your sincere efforts to make progress in COP20.

We are also respectful of the critical importance of the issues that have been raised for all Parties, including us.

However, we are of the view that this text does not prejudice the Parties' positions that have been amply and clearly expressed during these two weeks. We believe that is of great importance that we conclude this Conference with an agreement and move forward the next step, the objective of the decision taken in Durban which is to negotiate the to the actual substance the future 2015 agreement, beginning in Geneva.

The world is waiting for us to show that we can work together and take the necessary actions to address the urgency of climate change that does include equity and fairness and gives priority to the most vulnerable countries.

At this time and juncture, Turkey can live with this text and is prepared to endorse it as is fully noting the reservations made by many distinguished delegation. Without doubt our negotiations should reflect the key principles of equity, CBDR and national capabilities, which also applies to those Annex I countries who have no historical responsibility. At this juncture in this decision, we are not able to support a bi-furcated approach based on the current annexes of the Convention.

We would also urge the Parties to endorse this agreement to give a positive message to the world that we are cooperating.

Unfortunately, the problem we face is the lack of time to continue our negotiations having exceeded the time set by nearly 24 hours. If negotiations go beyond 5:00 pm today our delegation will not be able to participate.

Consequently, if no decision is taken by this time we must leave Mr. President and must place on the record that we are only prepared to accept the current text and would not accept any decision taken in our absence due to the COP significantly exceeding its time limit.

Thank you Mr. President.