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**STATEMENT BY INDIA
ON BEHALF OF BASIC AT THE OPENING PLENARY OF THE
AWG-DP 2.4**

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Mr. Co-Chairs,

I have the honour to speak on behalf of Brazil, China, South Africa and India. We fully associate ourselves with the statement made by Bolivia on behalf of the Group of 77 and China.

At the outset, we would like to take this opportunity to express our appreciation for the efforts of the Co-Chairs in facilitating the ADP negotiation process in Warsaw last year and assure you of our continued support and cooperation in the ADP negotiations this year.

Mr. Co-Chairs,

We welcome the progress on the Durban Platform made in Warsaw.. We are however concerned with the effective implementation of the Bali outcomes in Warsaw as well as the period from now to 2020. The effective implementation of the Bali, Cancun, Durban and Doha outcomes will be paramount for trust building amongst Parties in order to create the necessary conditions and an international enabling environment for a successful conclusion of the work on the Durban Platform for Enhanced Action.

Mr. Co-Chairs

The ADP Warsaw Decision further reiterates that the Durban Platform is under the Convention and shall be guided by the principles of the Convention, in particular, equity and common but differentiated responsibilities. This has been emphasized in Durban and Doha decisions. It is important to once again

remind ourselves that the Durban Platform is to further enhance the full, effective and sustained implementation of the Convention. This means that the 2015 agreement must strengthen the multilateral, rule-based system under the Convention. It is by no means to renegotiate, rewrite, restructure, or reinterpret the Convention or its principles, provisions and Annexes. It shall be based on science and the principles of equity and CBDR, as well as the promotion of sustainable development. In order for the Durban Platform process to raise the level of ambition, the 2015 agreement must adhere to the principles, provisions and structure of the Convention, in particular the provisions of Articles 4 and 12 as per the Annexes, which fully reflect the common but differentiated responsibilities of developed and developing countries.

In decision 1/CP.19, in Warsaw, we decided to elaborate, beginning at the first session of ADP in 2014, the elements for a draft negotiating text. We stress that the 2015 agreement should address all elements referred to in paragraph 5 of Decision 1/CP.17, i.e. mitigation, adaptation, finance, technology development and transfer, capacity-building and transparency of action and support, in a balanced and comprehensive manner, and should not just be confined to mitigation.

Mr. Co-Chairs,

The Warsaw ADP decision also invited all Parties to initiate and intensify domestic preparations for their intended nationally determined contributions and to identify the information that Parties will provide when putting forward their contributions. However, with regard to the intended nationally determined contributions, it is important to understand that contributions should cover all the pillars of the Convention, i.e. mitigation, adaptation and the provision of finance and technology to developing countries, and be in full accordance with the principles and provisions of the Convention, in particular the Article 4 of the Convention. We call on developed countries to make their preparations and include in their submissions information particular on the provision of

finance, technology and capacity building support to developing countries in addition to their mitigation commitments. Developing country Parties' contributions will be in the context of sustainable development, and dependent on the financial and technological support provided by developed country Parties. We also believe that information to facilitate the understanding and transparency of the contributions shall be differentiated between developed and developing countries.

The Durban Platform has already traversed half of its destination in terms of allotted time but the final destination in terms of substance is still a distant reality. With only less than two years left for the Paris Conference, it would be timely and befitting to start the formal negotiations on the elaboration of the elements for a draft negotiating text. We therefore believe that it is important to switch-over from the mode of open-ended consultations to a contact group format focusing on the six core elements mandated by decision 1/CP.17. The outcomes in a textual or written form should come from Parties in a Party-driven and consensus-building manner.

Mr. Co-Chairs,

The pre-2020 ambition must cover mitigation, adaptation and provision of finance and technology support to developing countries. We urge developed country Parties participating in the second commitment period of the Kyoto Protocol to revisit and significantly increase their emission reduction targets in 2014, and urge developed countries that are not part of the second commitment period to also revisit and raise the ambition of their commitments under the Convention within the same timeframe and in a comparable manner. If the developed countries had committed to an emission reduction of 40% below their 1990 levels by 2020, the pre-2020 mitigation gap would not even have existed. The 2014 Revisit as set out in para.7 to 11 of decision 1/CMP.8 and para.4(c) of decision 1/CP.19 should be fully and effectively implemented as soon as possible. Developed countries should also honour

and fulfill their commitments on providing finance, technology and capacity-building support to developing countries during the pre-2020 period. We also urge those Annex I Parties that have not put forward a pre-2020 quantified economy-wide emission reduction target to do so.

We further note with concern that the mitigation contribution by developing country Parties is much greater than that by developed country Parties. The concern is not that developing countries are doing more than the developed countries but on the rather low ambition levels of developed countries. It is simply not acceptable that the commitments of developed countries should be transferred to developing countries and more so through initiatives outside the Convention. While we recognise the potential of international cooperative initiatives to advance our efforts to combat climate change, these initiatives must be treated in full accordance with the principles and provisions of the Convention.

Mr. Co-Chairs,

We would like to reiterate our full commitment and support to you in taking the ADP process forward, with a view to making a balanced and comprehensive progress in an open and transparent, inclusive, party-driven and consensus-building manner.

I thank you, Mr. Co-Chairs.