

STATEMENT ON BEHALF OF THE GROUP OF 77 AND CHINA BY AMBASSADOR RENE ORELLANA, CHAIR OF THE GROUP OF 77 AND CHINA, AT THE OPENING PLENARY OF THE RESUMED SECOND SESSION OF THE AD HOC WORKING GROUP ON THE DURBAN PLATFORM FOR ENHANCED ACTION (ADP 2-4), BONN, GERMANY, 10 March, 2014.

## Mr. Co-Chairs,

I have the honor to deliver this statement on behalf of the Group of 77 and China.

1. The Group assures you of our willingness to continue to engage cooperatively with all Parties in this working Group to successfully accomplish the mandate that we have given ourselves. For this, we need to move beyond an exchange of ideas and engage in substantive negotiation. We trust that you as our co-Chairs will facilitate our work, based on decision 1/CP.17, 2/CP.18 and 1/CP.19 towards elements for a draft negotiating text based on inputs and submissions by Parties. And toward enhanced ambition pre 2020 in accordance with the Durban Mandate.

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2. The successful accomplishment of work before us will require us to consider the elements and contributions in a comprehensive manner. The Group stresses the importance of giving balanced consideration to how all elements, not only mitigation, has a role to play in reaching a successful outcome. The consideration of the element of "support" is essential for the Group, particularly in the context of an "ex-ante" discussion on the elements and contributions of Parties and to understand how said support will be delivered in a predictable and accessible manner, to assist developing country Parties in accordance with principles and provisions of the Convention. The elements of support, in terms of finance, technology and capacity-building, are issues of ongoing discussions under the Convention, and our work must build upon these.

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3. A comprehensive consideration of the elements and contributions requires the consideration of adaptation actions and measures. The Group wishes to signal concern over the absence of adaptation in our discussions. We

urge Parties to give adaptation due consideration and likewise to all aspects of our work.

- 4. The Group approaches the substantive work ahead of us bearing in mind that the role of Parties can not be replaced. It is Parties that will have to reach an agreement. We must therefore avoid any mode of work that could take down the path of having to take important decisions in a manner that does not allow careful reflection and equal opportunity for all delegations, large or small.
- 5. In this context, we take the opportunity to reiterate the six points raised last year on behalf of the Group as the Group position on ADP;
  - a) The work under the Ad-hoc Working Group must be under the Convention and should be based on its principles. and provisions related to commitments and responsibilities with regard to mitigation, adaptation and means of implementation;
  - b) The process under the ADP must not lead to a reinterpretation or a rewriting of the Convention;
  - The outcome of the ADP must be in accordance with the objective, principles and provisions stipulated in the Convention, including the principles of equity and common but differentiated responsibility and respective capabilities;
  - d) The negotiations under the ADP must be a party driven process, and must be fully inclusive and transparent;
  - e) The work in this Ad-hoc Working Group should lead to a balanced, ambitious, fair and equitable outcome under the Convention; and
  - f) Progress depends on following a balanced approach that will include mitigation, adaptation and means of implementation, in accordance with the spirit of the Convention.

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6. In the work of the ADP under work-stream 2, as we have also stated previously, developed countries must demonstrate clear and unconditional leadership in mitigation, adaptation, finance and technology development and transfer. In this regard, the Group of 77 and China expects that the amendments adopted in Doha in relation to the second commitment period of the Kyoto Protocol enter into force as soon as possible. It is paramount that the ambition mechanism launched in Doha effectively results in the increase of the ambition of Annex I Parties' quantified emissions reduction and limitation commitments for the second commitment period. We therefore urge all Annex I Parties to the Kyoto Protocol to go through the relevant legal procedures necessary to bring the amendments into force as soon as possible, and to revisit and significantly increase their quantified emissions reduction and limitation commitments by 2014. It is crucial that we should ensure the

operationalization and implementation of the 2014 Revisit Mechanism under the Kyoto Protocol in Warsaw.

- 7. We likewise urge non-KP Annex I Parties to increase their mitigation ambition in a comparable manner within the same timeframe. All Annex I Parties must undertake additional verifiable actions under the Kyoto Protocol, as well as under the Convention with a view to close the ambition gap by 2020. The enhanced commitments from the Annex I Parties in 2014 for the post-2020 period should be the first step, since this would directly impact the level of ambition in work stream 1 for the post-2020 period.
- 8. The members of Group of 77 and China have made greater contributions on combating climate change than those of developed countries during the pre2020 period. We urge developed country Parties to fulfill and enhance their commitments on the provision of finance, technology and capacity building support to developing countries, which is fundamental for developing countries to implement our actions on adaptation and mitigation.

#### Mr. Co-Chairs

With these words, we would like to assure you of the Group's continued cooperation and we look forward to engaging meaningfully with all our partners in the coming week.