

INDEPENDENT ASSOCIATION OF LATIN AMERICA AND THE CARIBBEAN

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Closing Statement

ADP 2-6

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Thank you Co-Chairs.

- 1. I have the honor to speak on behalf of the AILAC group of countries.
- 2. We associate with the statement made by Bolivia on behalf of the G77 and China.
- 3. This week's discussions highlight the urgent need to work constructively and decisively in a more focused manner to secure the Lima outcomes..
- 4. Co-Chairs the modality of work of this session has been helpful in furthering the understanding of each other's position, we now need to engage in a modality of work that allows for more focused negotiations..
- 5. We have significant conceptual progress during this session.
- 6. These include issues such as the need for global goals on mitigation, means of implementation and adaptation. AR5 has indicated the need for a carbon neutral global economy by mid century. We want a planet that is resilient to the impacts of climate change and where all investments are directed towards low carbon and climate resilient development. This will provide the required longer-term guidance that will support a global transformation.
- 7. We have heard interesting ideas this week on the issues of differentiation, cycles, sequencing, and the need to design the appropriate vehicles for action in the new climate regime. AILAC is eager to hear further detail on these ideas from our negotiating Partners.



- 8. We share a collective commitment to make adaptation a central part of the agreement. A balanced outcome that reflects all the elements of the ADP is fundamental to account for the interlinkages between all of them, and that mitigation ambition and adaptation action require of the provision of means of implementation to secure the desired enhanced levels of ambition.
- g. Work under WS₂ must urgently address the significant pre 2020 mitigation gap resulting from the existing mitigation commitments, targets and pledges and the aggregate level of ambition needed to reach below 2 degree or 1.5 Celsius goal, in order to secure enhanced mitigation ambition in the short term by all Parties.

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Co Chairs,

- 11. We commend your efforts to guide our discussions and identify areas of convergence. In this spirit, let us point out some important concerns regarding the most recent version of the INDC draft decision.
- 12. We feel that this new iteration doesn't reflect progress made by all parties during this session. Despite parties' efforts to elaborate on the details on how Adaptation and Means of implementation need to be reflected both in the body and Annex of the decision, we find that this new version blurs the contents of these two elements within the decision, rather than building on the many clarifications and details provided by Parties.

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13. We are set to define here a long-term system. We need to keep this focus. We can't afford to miss the opportunity we have now in our hands to make the future regime operative.



- 14. The INDCs are one of the vehicles to achieve this, none of the Parties have rejected that idea. The purpose of INDCs, beyond clarity, transparency and understanding of the contributions, is to reflect contributions of each country to meet the ultimate objective of the convention as well as any other goals to be set forth in the new agreement. The decision we take in Lima needs to provide a space to improve ambition if the aggregate effort falls short. This needs to be made possible for the short, medium and long term.
- 15. The new version of the text creates a greater unbalance, and plays down the robustness on science and equity within the assessment process of communicated contributions in the context of global goals that are to be reflected within the 2015 Agreement.
- 16. While we recognize that contributions are nationally determined, AILAC strongly favors the definition of specific elements that define the necessary guidance that the Convention must provide to the work of the Parties towards achieving its ultimate objective. Top down elements are necessary for this regime to deliver on its objectives. This text moves further away from this objective.
- 17. Co-Chairs, let us be clear: we welcome your bold guidance and your effort. We ascertain the crucial role that we expect you to play in driving us forward to reach consensus. We recognize the value of your initiative and urge you to capture the broader spectrum of requests for greater
- 18. Hence we encourage you to produce a new version for Lima that captures this week's spirit, ideas and proposals, while conducting further consultations with Parties.
- 19. AILAC is an ambitious yet pragmatic group, solution oriented and flexible. We are ready to listen to new ideas, revisit ours with an aim to reach and ambitious outcome in .

Thank you.

