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**Statement by the Ambassador Latifa Benazza on behalf of  
the People's Democratic Republic of Algeria at the  
Plenary of the third part of the 2<sup>nd</sup> session of the Ad-hoc  
Working Group on Durban Platform for an Enhanced  
Action**

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Warsaw, November 12<sup>th</sup>, 2013

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Excellences, Colleagues, Ladies and Gentlemen,**

**Co-Chairs,**

Let me first, congratulate you for your election as Co-Chairs of the Ad-hoc Working Group on Durban Platform.

Algeria subscribes itself to the Statements delivered by Fiji on behalf of the G77 and China, by Swaziland on behalf of the African Group, and by Venezuela on behalf of the Like-minded Group of Developing Countries.

**Co-Chairs,**

I would like at the outset, recognize the efforts made and the progress achieved since the launching of the Ad-hoc working Group on the Durban Platform, thanks to the spirit of positive engagement showed by delegations. We look forward to further achievements under your wise and able leadership in order to achieve the mandate under the decision 1/CP.17.

As far as the process is concerned, Algeria believes that a spirit of openness, transparency, inclusivity and fairness shall guide the intergovernmental consultations for the two upcoming years.

We would like to highlight the urgency of the challenge of climate change, whose impacts affect disproportionately developing countries undermining their efforts to eradicate poverty and achieve sustainable development. Developed countries need to take the lead in implementing their commitments under the Convention. Discussions under the ADP for the future climate regime shall be undertaken within this spirit and paradigm.

In this context, Algeria fully supports comments made by a lot of delegations on the fact that this process does not intend to renegotiate the UNFCCC or to reinterpret its principles and provisions, including the principles of equity and common but differentiated responsibilities.

On the other hand, the work under the ADP, including its two work-streams shall include in a balanced and integrated way mitigation, adaptation, finance, technology transfer and capacity building.

**Co-chairs,**

On mitigation, it is crucial to highlight the principles of the convention and the historical responsibility of developed countries, which shall take the lead and respect their commitments in this regard. Contributions of developing countries to the international effort must be nationally determined, taking into account national circumstances and capabilities and in accordance with the principle of common but differentiated responsibilities.

In order to enhance our capabilities to the adverse effects of climate change, whose impacts on developing countries to achieve sustainable development are obvious, my delegation would like to emphasize the importance of enhanced work on Adaptation under the two work-stream of the ADP.

We would like also to underline the importance we attach to the issue of Means of Implementation, under the work of the ADP. In this regard, we remain concerned in the low progress and the lack of political willingness to operationalize all the institutions created since Cancun, including the Green climate Fund, as well as the pledges made by developed countries to mobilize financial resources.

Finally, Algeria aligns itself with delegations that made a call to desist from unilateral measures taken by developed countries that are affecting seriously the economies and capabilities of developing countries. We would like also to insist on the importance to address the socio-economic impacts of response measures and assist developing countries I this effort to diversify their economies.

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**Co-Chairs,**

Algeria will continue to engage constructively during this process towards the success of our common efforts by 2015.

I thank you.

