

SPEECH

by H.E. Prime Minister Nguyen Tan Dung

AT THE UN FRAMEWORK CONVENTION ON CLIMATE CHANGE COP21

Mr. President,

On behalf of the Government and people of Viet Nam, I wish to commend the Republic of France for their enormous efforts in hosting the UNFCCC Conference of Parties 21 (COP-21).

Mr. President,

We gather here at COP21 to demonstrate our commitments to supporting and promoting negotiations in order to adopt the *post-2020 Global Climate Change Agreement*. The agreement needs to ensure equal contribution from countries and strike a balance between mitigation, adaptation, finance, development and technology transfer. Developed countries should take the lead in realizing their commitments, providing assistance for capacity building for developing countries to implement the agreement successfully. Viet Nam would like to share its views as follows:

First, from now to 2020, despite limited resources, Viet Nam will continue to actively implement the national strategy, programs and plans in response to climate change in various areas with concrete measures. Greater efforts will be undertaken to fulfil its obligations as stated in the UNFCCC and Kyoto Protocol. Viet Nam will contribute US\$ 1 million to the *Green Climate Fund* for the 2016-2020 period.

Second, for the post-2020 period, despite being a poor developing country severely affected by climate change, Viet Nam pledges to reduce the greenhouse gas emissions by 8% by 2030 and, with effective support from the international community, we can even cut the emissions by 25%. Viet Nam will make regular reviews and appropriate adjustments in line with real developments.

Mr. President,

In September 2015, the UN General Assembly adopted the 2030 Agenda for Sustainable Development. The successful implementation of the 2030 Agenda requires strong political determination and close cooperation to fully and effectively implement the *post-2020 Global Climate Agreement*.

Again, on behalf of the Government and people of Viet Nam, I wish to sincerely thank all countries and international organizations for your cooperation and support and look forward to your continued support for our country's socio-economic development in general and in response to climate change in particular. For its part, Viet Nam commits to do its utmost to fulfil its commitments.

Thank you Mr. President. Thank you all.