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Ms. Cecilia da Silva Bernardo Ms. Alessandra Sgobbi Co-Chairs of the Adaptation Committee Date: 29 October 2020 Reference: FWG/AC/CYM

Dear Ms. Cecilia da Silva Bernardo, Dear Ms. Alessandra Sgobbi,

On behalf of the Facilitative Working Group of the Local Communities and Indigenous Peoples Platform (hereinafter referred to as the FWG), and in our capacity as its Co-Chairs, we would like to submit this written input to the 18th meeting of the Adaptation Committee (hereinafter referred to as the AC). We would also like to express our intent to seek synergies and collaborative opportunities with the AC, including future joint events along the lines of the workshop we co-organized during COP 25.

COP 24 established the FWG to facilitate the implementation of the functions of the Local Communities and Indigenous Peoples Platform (LCIPP). The three functions of the LCIPP are knowledge, capacity building for engagement, and climate change policies and actions. The same decision also encouraged the FWG to collaborate with other bodies under and outside of the Convention to enhance the coherence of the actions of the LCIPP. A central focus for the FWG is to highlight the role of the knowledge, practices and innovations of indigenous peoples and local communities in adapting to climate change, so there is a natural link to the work of the AC.

We would like to invite your committee to explore AC-FWG collaborative opportunities around the following items of AC18:

- 1. Item 4 on **promoting overarching coherence**: We invite the AC to consider enhancing the engagement of indigenous peoples and local communities, through the LCIPP and the UNFCCC indigenous peoples organizations (IPO) constituency focal points, in your work, including your ongoing effort to review the adequacy and effectiveness of adaptation and support, and 2021 technical paper on the application of adaptation technologies.
- 2. Item 5 on information collection and preparation for the **Global Stocktake**: We invite the AC to explore collaborative opportunities between the AC and the FWG as each body prepares its input to the Global Stocktake;
- 3. Item 6 on the **Technical Examination Process on Adaptation** (TEP-A). We invite the AC to engage indigenous peoples and representatives of local communities, through the LCIPP and the UNFCCC indigenous peoples organizations (IPO) constituency focal points, as you develop and deliver the final round of TEP-A;
- 4. Item 8a on **Capacity gaps in accessing adaptation funding**: We invite the AC to explore synergies between your work related to "sustained long-term in-country



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- capacity building in accessing adaptation funding" and the FWG's effort to map and report on existing funding opportunities for the participation of indigenous peoples and local communities from all regions related to climate change (i.e. activity 11 of the LCIPP's initial two-year workplan).
- 5. We further invite the AC to nominate a member as the LCIPP focal point to facilitate and enhance collaborations between the AC and the FWG, understanding that the FWG is in the process of making a similar nomination on our end.

We are confident that, working together, we will promote the overarching coherence of our work through these and other examples of coordinated actions to help bring together diverse knowledge systems towards building a just, respectful and resilient future for all.

We would be happy to answer any questions you may have as you consider this request.

Yours sincerely,

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