



-The African Group of Negotiators on Climate Change –

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AGN response to AILAC proposal during the “Presidency informal consultations on the special needs and special circumstances of Africa

The Africa Group of Negotiators expresses its appreciation to Parties who attended the first informal session on the AGN's request for the inclusion of an agenda item on *"The Special Needs and Special Circumstances of Africa"*.

We further appreciate the proposal received from AILAC, through the Secretariat and we have reflected on it in our group.

We note that the AILAC proposal is for a discussion space on general matters related to special circumstances at a regional level for developing countries. As such, it differs in form and substance from the African proposal and does not adequately address Africa's concerns. We therefore prefer to maintain our proposal as it is.

The Africa Group, further requests a second round of informal consultations to continue the discussion *"The Special Needs and Special Circumstances of Africa"*.

Accept, your Excellency, assurance of my highest consideration.

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