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Thank you Co-Facilitators, distinguished colleagues and friends.

Colombia takes the floor on behalf of AILAC Group, and align ourselves with the intervention from Cuba on behalf of G77 and China.

Let me start by expressing gratitude with the work that has been provided to Parties and Non Party Stakeholders to contribute in this important process.

We arrive to the third and last Technical Dialogue of the Global Stocktake with a high expectation for an **active and constructive participation** towards gathering inputs to advance on assessing the collective progress towards achieving the goals of the Paris Agreement.

The first GST has the unique opportunity to provide us with new decisions on the overall effectiveness of the Paris Agreement and its ability to trigger collective climate action.

The commitment to acknowledge the urgency to keep alive 1.5°C is key to deliver ambition at COP28. Latest available science, published by IPCC and WMO, among others, are giving us abundant clarity and evidence about the state of climate change and magnitude of transformations needed.

Equity and best available science plays a substantial role for effective climate action and higher climate ambition. We encourage all participants to engage in the roundtables and world café stations across all thematic areas that has been provided for this sessions.

Assessment and progress on adaptation needs to be strengthen as well as enhanced efforts to avert, minimize and address loss and damage as we move to the final synthesis report. Further action is required to identifying further elements, including ways to provide technical inputs on evaluation standards and metrics of the adaptation state.

Substantive inputs could be also enriched on key issues such as gender equitable approaches, consideration of transboundary climate risks, ecosystem-based adaptation approaches, health resilience and biodiversity. As we assess progress, adequacy and the effectiveness of adaptation action under the Paris Agreement, we value approaches that can promote transformational adaptation and dimension of the adaptation policy cycle based on existing frameworks and processes. The recommendations coming out of the GST on improving our resilience capacity and acting cooperatively in light of the GGA framework will be crucial.

We highlight the efforts for this Technical Dialogues to value local contexts and challenges from different levels and stakeholders. They provide an opportunity for Parties and NSA to reflect on specific factors that impact implementation and ambition and its linkages to progress toward the goals of the Paris Agreement.

Our ability to adequately safeguard communities and ecosystems remains largely insufficient. Vulnerable countries are making modest advancements in enhancing their adaptive capacity, reinforcing resilience, and reducing vulnerability because of the lack of

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capacity and resources. Hence, reflecting on the necessary mechanisms available to enhance global cooperation that stems from local implementation is increasingly essential.

We cannot distract ourselves that we need to establish the pathways to achieve the Paris Agreement goals. We are far off track and need actions to re-think our world and our communities with minimal emissions and resilient enough to the impacts and damages we are living. Science is proving the hard limits of adaptation being breached, and we are reaching points of no return that are causing the loss of strategic ecosystems for human survival. **This is the magnitude of the challenge we face looking forward.** 

AILAC envisions the dialogues to finalise gathering inputs and elements for the outputs to be consider in a CMA-5 Decision. We need to focus on the question of **what's next** as a way to reflect on action needed to deliver on implementation, including guidance to enhance ambition and transparency across all levels of the Paris Agreement, the next round of NDCs and Long Term Strategies communications.

We thank once again the cofacilitators for all the efforts to provide us with different formats to engage, highlighting the importance of contributions coming from non-party stakeholders. We look forward to a robust and substantive recollection of information that will give us relevant input to prepare for a first decision at COP<sub>28</sub>.

I thank you co-facilitators.