• Distinguished delegates, I declare open the informal **meeting** of the Governing Bodies.

• I thank all of you for staying late this evening.

• Dear colleagues, we have reached an important point in our Conference - the subsidiary bodies have concluded their work.

• It has been an **intense week**.

• Presiding Officers, facilitators and Parties have worked tirelessly. We appreciate their dedication.

• I thank Paul and Emmanuel, the Chairs of the subsidiary bodies, for their hard work.

• However, there is still a lot of work to be done.

• To conclude our work on Friday 13 December I ask all to engage in **solution-orientated** discussions.

• In order to tackle outstanding issues, the Presidency is following a pragmatic approach.
• First, ongoing **technical work** under the COP/CMP/CMA will continue to be facilitated by the appointed co-facilitators.

• In relation to work that the subsidiary bodies could not complete, discussion on **some of the issues will be facilitated by pairs of Ministers**. On other issues, the discussion will be facilitated **by a senior member of my delegation**.

• The discussion on the following issues will be facilitated by **pairs of Ministers**:  
  o Article 6 of the Paris Agreement;  
  o Review of the Warsaw International Mechanism for Loss and Damage associated with Climate Change Impacts;  
  o Response measures; and  
  o Decision 1/CP.25, 1/CMP.15 and 1/CMA.2.

• The discussion on the following issues will be facilitated by a **senior member of my delegation**:
o Scope of the next periodic review of the long-term global goal under the Convention and of overall progress towards achieving it;

o Report and terms of reference of the Consultative Group of Experts; and

o Gender and climate change

• In choosing Ministers to undertake this important task, we are trying to ensure a balanced representation; not only among developed and developing countries but also gender balance.

• The information concerning the pairs of Ministers as well as the name of the representative from the Chilean Presidency who will be facilitating the discussions will be posted on the UNFCCC website.

• I plan on convening daily coordination meetings with all the Ministers that will be conducting consultations on the outstanding issues.

• These consultations will be carried out through informal meetings to allow for maximum flexibility.
• To maintain a transparent and inclusive process and keep all Parties informed, I will hold regular stock taking meetings.

• I also wish to outline that the Presidency’s door remain open to the Parties.

• This information as well as the logistical arrangements for meetings will be published in the UNFCCC website.

Check to see if there are requests for the floor

• Thank you all for your views.