

STATEMENT
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ENVIRONMENT

AT THE 22nd SESSION OF THE CONFERENCE OF THE PARTIES TO THE
UNITED NATIONS FRAMEWORK CONVENTION ON CLIMATE CHANGE

Chair,

Ladies and gentlemen,

On behalf of the Government of Viet Nam, I would like to express our appreciation to the Kingdom of Morocco for organizing this important Conference.

Chair,

As the Paris Agreement entered into force on 4th November 2016, it is imperative for all Parties to implement their commitments under the Agreement. To that end, Viet Nam would like to propose as follows:

First, specific actions for advancing our post-2020 commitments must be further defined by Parties under the entire context of the Paris Agreement to enhance the implementation of the Convention. All elements of the Agreement, inter alia, mitigation, adaptation, finance, technology development and transfer and capacity building must be only addressed in a balanced manner.

Second, national determination in nationally determined contributions (NDCs) must be respected by providing further guidance and means of implementations, with due attention to the differentiated responsibilities of Parties, taking into account special circumstances and capabilities of developing countries.

Third, we need to strike a balance between pre and post-2020 actions in order not to create gaps in global efforts to combat climate change.

Chair,

Fully aware of the importance of implementation of the Paris Agreement at the national level, Viet Nam has formulated an action plan specifying contributions to the mitigation of and adaptation to climate change. This includes emission reduction of 8% compared to the BAU scenario. The reduction ambition can be raised up to 25% upon reception of adequate support from the international community.

Allow me to conclude by saying that Viet Nam will make every effort to work together with the international community in ensuring an effective implementation of the Paris Agreement.

Only through concerted efforts could we succeed in saving our Earth.

I thank you.