



STATEMENT ON BEHALF OF THE GROUP OF 77 AND CHINA BY H.E. DR. AMBASSADOR IBRAHIM MIRGHANI, DELEGATION OF THE REPUBLIC OF SUDAN, AT THE CLOSING PLENARY OF THE 30TH SESSION OF THE SUBSIDIARY BODY FOR IMPLEMENTATION (SBI) (Bonn, Germany, 10 June 2009)

Madam Chair,

I have the honour to deliver this statement on behalf of the Group of 77 and China.

The Group reiterates its sincere appreciations to the government of Germany and the climate change secretariat for the excellent arrangements made for this session.

Madam Chair,

We are distressed that during the whole session, issues of great importance to the group are being subject to conditionalities and delay by our negotiating partners. It is very disappointing and frustrating to note that in the ongoing negotiations under many agenda items, our partners have shown their unwillingness to even continue discussing issues, trying to find every opportunity to ensure that it does not even appear on the COP 15 agenda.

Madam Chair,

The Group of G-77 & China is greatly concerned with the lack of progress on Capacity Building under the Convention and Kyoto Protocol and lack of flexibility to address the factual capacity building needs for developing countries. Capacity building is a prerequisite and a key building block for the implementation of the Convention and participation in the Kyoto Protocol by developing countries. It is clear from the synthesis report for the second comprehensive review that capacity building support in developing countries has so far concentrated on meetings, workshops and seminars. Decision 2/CP.7 clearly shows the scope of capacity building needs that must be supported and many of these have not received concrete support.

Madam Chair,

The G-77 & China needs to ensure that capacity building support is undertaken as agreed and there should be the use of performance indicators for the evaluation and monitoring of capacity building support consistent with the agreed areas. Capacity building needs arising from the Convention processes must also be supported. We look forward to a decision at COP 15 that will conclude the second review and consider a more robust mechanism to ensure that capacity building for developing countries is supported as agreed.

Madam Chair,

The Group of G-77 and China notes that the EGTT report on performance indicators will contribute to the work of the SBI relating to the review of the effectiveness of the implementation of Article 4.1(c) and 4.5 of the Convention and call on the secretariat to prepare a template that will allow Parties to provide structured information for the purposes of the review. The group also likes to recognize the handbook for technology needs assessment (TNAs) which has been updated by the

UNDP. This handbook would assist developing countries in preparing and updating their technology needs assessment. We would like to urge the GEF to expedite access to funding for developing countries to prepare their TNAs.

Madam Chair,

In a more positive note, the Group of G-77 and China would like to recognise that an agreement on the terms and the mandate of the CGE was finally reached here in Bonn, at this SBI session. The draft decision that SBI must be forwarding for the adoption of the next COP on this issue is a significant breakthrough. We would like to reiterate the dear need of the developing countries for the technical support and advice of CGE, as many of them are now preparing their second national communications. We are looking forward for effective engagement with the CGE after its mandate has been renewed.

Madam Chair,

The implementation of adaptation activities represents a high priority for all developing countries, particularly the most vulnerable among us. Therefore, the group looks forward for the implementation of 1/CP.10. During this session some progress has been achieved, however, for the next SBI session we envisage to obtain more substantive outcomes from the negotiations with our partners on this important agenda item.

Finally, Madam Chair,

The Group would like to assure you its commitment to continue to work constructively with you and our partners to make real progress in future sessions.

I thank you.