

Indigenous Peoples' proposals for amendment to current draft ADP negotiation texts, UNFCCC, COP21, Paris

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- 1. Add a preambular paragraph to both the Agreement and Decision stating that: Because their traditional lifestyles are based upon, related to, and dependent upon the natural world, Indigenous Peoples are the most adversely affected by climate change, even though they bear the least responsibility for it.
- 2. Preambular paragraph 10 and operative paragraph 2 of Article 2 and Article 4 paragraph 3 (both options) of the Agreement as well as preambular paragraph 5 and paragraph 91 ter of the Decision should all contain a strong specific statement to "respect, protect, promote and fulfill human rights, including the rights of Indigenous Peoples".
- 3. The State Parties should adopt a goal of keeping the **temperature rise to below 1.5 degrees C of warming,** with a review to ascertain if that should be further lowered to below 1 degree C of warming.
- 4. The present reference to **traditional indigenous knowledge** in paragraph 3 of Article 4 of the Agreement (both options) <u>should be maintained and extended to the section on Mitigation</u> but the phrase "where appropriate" should be eliminated.
- 5. Paragraph 22 of the Decision welcoming the efforts of all actors, including indigenous peoples to address climate change *should be maintained*.
- 6. Paragraph 36 (b) of the Decision calling for respecting **customary and sustainable land** use systems and security of indigenous peoples' land tenure <u>should be maintained</u>.
- 7. Paragraph 47. (c) of the Decision which provides for **the participation of indigenous peoples in planning, decision-making and monitoring and evaluation in regard to the activities referred to in Article 4, paragraph 6 of the Agreement** <u>should be maintained.</u>
- 8. Under Workstream II, paragraph 121 (e) supporting indigenous knowledge and practices in adaptation and mitigation, including the enhancement of the multiple co-benefits of pre- 2020 action; paragraph 123 welcoming efforts to scale up climate actions by non-Party stakeholders, including indigenous peoples; paragraph 128 establishing a platform for supporting and strengthening the knowledge, practices and technologies of Indigenous peoples and local communities, in a holistic and integrated manner; and paragraph 129 (d) on exchanging best practices with indigenous peoples among others *should all be maintained*.