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**Statement of the International Indigenous Peoples Forum on Climate Change during the
Closing session of SBSTA
Bonn Germany May 26th 2016**

Thank you Hon. Chair for the opportunity to speak on behalf of the International Indigenous Peoples Forum on Climate Change.

We would like to express our support to Parties on the progress made during this session and urge them to commit to continue with the spirit in the following sessions including in Marrakech.

We would like to remind parties of that the cumulative temperature rise within the current commitments will not be sufficient to reduce temperature rise to way below the 2 degrees Celsius envisioned by the Paris Agreement. The demonstration of greater ambition is therefore critical for mitigating the adverse impacts of climate change and achieving our desired temperature rise of 1.5 or below degrees Celsius that is imperative for the continued survival and development of all, including those living in small islands states and Indigenous Peoples.

We also urge parties that going forward, they should ensure that under the Green Climate Fund framework, Indigenous Peoples should have direct access to all funds and effectively participating in the GCF Readiness programs at country level for the development and implementation of programs in our territories. Indigenous Peoples should also be effectively involved in the Strategic Plan development process of the GCF with a clear Indigenous Peoples policy.

The desired framework for Results-based Payments especially in regards to the mitigation strategy of reducing emission on forest reduction and deforestation should re-emphasize the assurance of safeguards application and recognition of non-carbon benefits.

It is necessary for agencies of cooperation including the proposed committees of implementation to include Indigenous Peoples and our experts as fundamental actors at all levels in actions and programs relevant to the implementation of the Paris Agreement.

We wish all the parties and the observers well and safe travels and looking forward to cementing the gains of Paris further strongly in Marrakech.

Thank you Hon. Chair