Facilitative Dialogue on enhancing ambition and support (Part II): Assessing the progress in implementing paragraphs 3 and 4 of decision 1/CP.19

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Excellencies,

We the International Indigenous Peoples Forum on Climate Change (IIPFCC) call for Parties to be ambitious and courageous in their efforts on achieving Climate Change Action for COP22 and beyond. The knowledge and cultural practice of Indigenous Peoples are inextricably linked to the protection, restoration and enhancement of the natural environment, and is integral to achieving Climate Change Action.

IIPFCC request commitments from Parties for:
1. UNFCCC Parties to make an ambitious commitment to meet 1.5 degree target
2. Major emitters (both States and corporate entities) to make climate crisis mitigation and adaptation action a critical component of their core business
3. Recognise, respect and promote that effective partnerships and genuine collaboration with indigenous peoples is essential for effective climate crisis actions and strengthening indigenous peoples’ resilience;
4. Indigenous Peoples’ continue to be unfairly disadvantaged in their ability to participate in the UNFCCC processes. We therefore call upon the COP presidency and Parties of the UNFCCC to provide funds for the full and effective participation of Indigenous Peoples and ensure direct access to climate financing across UNFCCC processes
5. UNFCCC parties should support the establishment of the Indigenous Peoples Platform based on Paragraph 135 of the Paris decision.

The Indigenous Peoples do not underestimate the work ahead and are committed to working with Parties. These commitments will ensure a fair and equitable process for all Parties and any outcomes are meaningful and have longevity beyond COP22.