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on behalf of the Group of Landlocked Developing Countries

On Sustainable consumption and production and on Climate change

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*Ambassador Jose Antonio Dos Santos
Permanent Representative*

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en nombre del Grupo de Países en Desarrollo Sin Litoral Marítimo

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*Undécima Sesión del Grupo de Trabajo de Composición Abierta
sobre los Objetivos del Desarrollo Sostenible*

*Embajador José Antonio Dos Santos
Representante Permanente*

Nueva York, 8 de mayo de 2014

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Statement of His Excellency, Ambassador Jose Antonio Dos Santos, Permanent Representative of the Republic of Paraguay to the United Nations and Vice-Chair of the Bureau of the Landlocked Developing Countries, on behalf of the Group of Landlocked Developing Countries, at the 11th Session of the Open Working Group on Sustainable Development Goals. New York, May 8, 2014.

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Mister Co-Chair,

It is my honor to make this intervention on behalf of the 32 members of the Group of Landlocked Developing Countries.

This intervention is affiliated to the statements and proposals of the delegation of the Plurinational State of Bolivia on behalf of the Group of 77 and China.

The Group appreciates the revised working document issued by the Co-Chairs.

With regard to Sustainable consumption and production, the Group of Landlocked Developing Countries considers that most suggested targets for this focus area could be added to the Economic growth focus area. In particular, the Group supports targets (c), (e) and (g), and wishes to underscore that natural resources control and sustainable management is a responsibility of sovereign States.

The Group of LLDCs suggests the inclusion of the following targets in the Means of implementation for Sustainable consumption and production:

(1) Support the increase of official development assistance (ODA) and foreign direct investment (FDI) to support the productive capacities and the acquisition of sound technologies for sustainable production in Landlocked Developing Countries.



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(2) Increased support to diversification from primary commodities in extractive industries to value addition for Landlocked Developing Countries that are resource rich.

(3) Increased support for Landlocked Developing Countries to have a vibrant and competitive private sector, capable of boosting diversification, stimulating job creation and driving innovation and economic activity, as well as to outreach to global markets.

With regard to Climate change, the Group of Landlocked Developing Countries strives for a new development framework that includes a goal on climate change, desertification, land degradation and droughts. Indeed, the matters of Land Degradation could be included as target areas. Moreover, the Group is supportive of targets (b), (c) and (d), with a provision to embrace in the framework one or two overall targets from the outcome of the forthcoming Summit on Climate Change.

Landlocked Developing Countries are vulnerable to natural disasters; therefore, it is important to ensure financial and technical assistance for climate change adaptation in these Countries, as well as support to address desertification and land degradation. For this purpose, the Group suggests the inclusion of the following targets in the Means of implementation for this focus area:

(1) Increased level and measures of sound technology transferred to Landlocked Developing Countries for adaptation and mitigation of the effects of climate change, to support targets (c) and (d).

(2) Increased commitments to adaptation and mitigation of climate change and natural disasters reduction by X% to Landlocked Developing Countries by 2030.

Thank you, Mister Co-Chair.