

**Statement delivered by Mr. Paulo José Chiarelli (Brazil) on Climate Change**

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Mr. Chairman,

I associate myself to the statement made by the distinguished representative of Pakistan on behalf of the G-77/China. I would also like to thank Ambassador Assadi for his comprehensive contribution.

In his intervention, Ambassador Assadi stressed the complementary role of this Commission in relation to discussions held elsewhere. Brazil agrees that the CSD can help understanding and exploring the interlinkages between climate change and other issues related to promoting sustainable development, such as promoting renewable energies.

These discussions should not, however, substitute or pre-empt current talks under the UNFCCC regime on issues such as flexibility mechanisms or the future of the climate regime. Any recommendations or decisions on such issues must be considered solely under the UNFCCC umbrella.

On the future of the regime, for instance, I recall that, in Montreal in 2005, a process was put in motion under the Kyoto Protocol to determine the post-2012 second commitment period of Annex I Parties. Another process was established under the UNFCCC to further enhance the implementation of the Convention. Both these processes should pave the way for the future of the regime, including for further and stronger reduction commitments for Annex I parties and full support to policies and measures in developing country parties for reducing emissions.

I would like to stress the principle of common but differentiated responsibilities, established in the Rio Declaration on Sustainable Development and enshrined in the UNFCCC as the guiding force behind international cooperation on this matter. Without recognition that the root cause of the rise in the planet's temperature is the accumulated emissions of greenhouse gases over the last 200 years, emitted mainly by developed countries, there can be no constructive debate.

Thank you.