

**Statement by the delegation  
of the Libyan Arab Jamahiriya  
to the sixth conference of the parties to  
UNFCCC**

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Mr. President,  
Your Excellencies ministers and ambassadors,  
Distinguished delegates,

May I, personally, and on behalf of my country's delegation, extend my congratulation to their Excellencies Mr. Jan Pronk the Minister of Housing, Spatial Planning and the Environment the president of **COP6** of the **UNFCCC**, the vice presidents, and the rapporteur for their election as members of the bureau of **COP6**.

May I also extend my congratulation to the Executive Secretary of the Convention and his assistants for the extensive effort they made in the preparation for this conference.

I would also like to extend my sincere thanks, respect and appreciation to the government and the people of the Kingdom of the Netherlands for hosting this conference, and for their hospitality and good reception that we have experienced since we first landed in this beautiful country. I specially extend my gratitude to the People and the mayor of the beautiful and historical city of The Hague.

Mr. President,

No doubt that there were attempts to achieve some progress since the round of negotiations we have started in Bonn. However, these attempts were limited and were not at the level of the expectations expressed by the majority of the parties to the convention represented in the group of G-77 and china..

Mr. President the round of negotiations in The Hague imposes on the experts and the decision makers of the parties to the convention to make serious and extensive efforts in order for them to formulate final and conciliatory texts for the unresolved problems that still hindering

the conclusion of a general agreement for the implementation of Kyoto Protocol.

Mr. President

My country's delegation believes that the achievement of success in The Hague negotiation round, and the accomplishment of positive results in **COP6** are to a great extent dependent on the following:

First, Annex I parties should recognize and accept their responsibility on the problem of climate change and the consequences of its negative impacts on the environment and the social and economic impacts, which have affected the developing countries in particular.

Second, the existence of good will, and I repeat good will in the annex I country parties to honor their commitments in accordance with the convention as legal obligations and not as a give away gifts, as they would like to portray it.

Third, Annex I countries should immediately start the implementation of their commitment, which they have agreed to in the convention, toward the developing nations and in particular the least developing countries.

Fourth, Annex I countries should immediately start executing the necessary actions and measures related to the needed financial support for technology transfer, capacity building, and sustainable development. Furthermore, annex I parties should support the other needs and concerns of the developing countries' parties caused by the impacts of climate change and the impacts of response measures.

From our experience in the past few years, which have followed the ratification of the convention, we are sure, more than never before, that there is an urgent need for serious cooperation at all levels to roll the wheel of organized and extensive work.

Such cooperation Mr. President, can only be achieved in the presence of transparency, equity and balanced environment, with greater share of participatory democracy.

The steps you have taken to involve all parties during the second week of the conference have restored confidence to the process of negotiations, and have entered great comfort to the souls of the participants from small nations. All has blessed this positive achievements, from your side. No doubt it will contribute to real success for this conference.

My country's delegation would like to express its dissatisfaction for the selective, arm-twisting and feet dragging methods followed by some parties. This can only reflect the lack of good will to reach positive and tangible results that would contribute to the ratification of the Kyoto Protocol.

In this connection, the delegation of my country would like to stress the importance of the full and comprehensive implementation of the commitment stipulated in the convention without the selectivity attempted by some parties.

Mr. President.

My Country's delegation would like to stress that, it is important that annex I countries start the implementation of their commitment particularly the following areas:

Implementing actions for abolishing market barriers and subsidies in all sectors emitting **GHG** that are in contradiction of the objectives of the convention.

Restructuring of tax policies to reflect the carbon content without discrimination.

Mr. President.

My country as a nation with an economy that is dependent on income generated from the production and export of fossil fuel, feels uncomfortable with some parties' endeavor to disregard its

commitments towards fossil fuel producing nations. Here I would like to make it clear that, there is no real rich nation amongst these countries if we rule out annex I countries that produce fossil fuel. The fossil fuel producing developing countries are poor countries trying to catch up with the development in the industrialized nations, and their development needs exceeds the level of their income.

In this connection, I would like to stress that Kyoto Mechanisms, Transfer of technology, Capacity building and the impacts of climate change, and the impact of response measures are our utmost priorities.

Therefore, we strongly support the establishment of multilateral funds in addition to funds provided by **GEF** to be financed by annex I parties, in accordance with the financing proposals introduced by the different specialized contact groups. These funds should use criteria that include all developing countries with all its diverse interests and different levels, without any discrimination. These funds should be provided annually, and on ongoing basis until developing countries are able to adapt themselves to the impacts of climate change and the negative effects of response measures.

Mr. president

Before I close, I would like to express through you my hopes that our efforts will be culminate with success. And the efforts of all parties will join together with the objective of reaching positive and tangible results that would accelerate the ratification of Protocol Kyoto by 2002. We also look forward to **COP7** in our brotherly African country the Kingdom of Morocco. We are very confident that under your wise leadership we can reach important historical conclusions that will make our job easier in the next conference of the parties.