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Distinguished delegates,

Ladies and gentlemen,

It gives me great pleasure and privilege to deliver this statement on behalf of my country, Namibia. The Republic of Namibia would like to thank the government and people of Brazil for hosting COP30 in this beautiful and ecologically significant city of Belem. Namibia also would like to equally thank the Secretariat of the UNFCCC for excellent arrangements in hosting COP30.

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We came here in Belem with a renewed hope of saving the planet from ourselves as its inhabitants. This means that climate change is human induced and in return its catastrophic impacts can affect the same human beings. What an irony!

Mr. President

Through multilateralism, a climate neutral world is feasible and possible. What is lacking is a bold political will to make it happen. For the past thirty years, science has been loud and clear yet actions on the ground continue to fall short of what science demands for a climate neutral future. As developing countries, we have crafted ambitious NDCs that are conditioned on the provision of climate finance notwithstanding the fact that our economies are already burdened by high cost of adapting to a problem that we have not contributed to yet those that have caused it are ever shying away from their responsibility.

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Ladies and gentlemen,

The climate convention it's Paris Agreement, Kyoto Protocol and a set of thirty decade of COP decisions are the only instruments we have at our disposal to lead us to a climate neutral world. For the past thirty years, we have spoken enough and laid down a strong foundation to enable us to progressively arrest global warming. By this end, we should have known what needs to be done, which should do it and how it shall be accomplished.

Therefore, Namibia would like to remind everyone gathered at this COP that mitigation and adaption ambitions cannot be realized with empty promises on means of implementation especially climate finance. Success comes with high responsibility, trust, and integrity.

We therefore call for scaled-up, predictable, accessible and grant-based climate finance to the vulnerable developing countries in line with the principles and provisions of the climate convention and the Paris Agreement.

Let COP30 be remembered for generations as the conference where we moved from rhetoric talk to implementation, from pledges to real delivery, and from incrementalism to the bold action as demanded by science and climate justice.

Namibia remains committed and ready to partner in building a climate resilient future for all.

I thank you.