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Thank you Chair. My name is Natsumi Yoshida and I am speaking on behalf of Women and Gender Constituency.

We recognize the cross-cutting nature of the following components: human rights, public participation, gender equality, the rights of indigenous peoples and traditional knowledge, food security, the imperatives of a just transition, marine and terrestrial ecosystem and biodiversity integrity.

We call for parties to provide appropriate forms of **legal policy** and **financial support** to accelerate the mandate of the Gender Action Plan with a set of guiding criteria to ensure that civil society, women of diverse identities, youth and persons with disabilities are engaged as **equal partners**, protecting human rights and ensuring intergenerational equity, just and safe transition.

The Koronivia work program should foster a holistic, rights-based, non-market based and gender-responsive approach that transforms the agri-business model that has caused so much harm to our planet. It must address the role of agroecology, biodiversity and traditional knowledge, the impacts of other mitigation policies on food security and the role of international trade and the corporate capture of agricultural policies in sustaining the current model. The full and effective participation of women, Indigenous Peoples, peasants and pastoralists be ensured, whereas the involvement of corporate actors with clearly conflicting commercial interests will fatally undermine the integrity, effectiveness and legitimacy of UNFCCC's work.

We urge Parties to show increased ambition pre-2020 and fulfill their promise of reaching \$100 billion a year by 2020. Climate finance should drift away from false solutions such as large scale bioenergy, and serve the public interest instead of corporations, avoiding potential conflicts of interests.

The promises made under Warsaw International Mechanism for Loss and Damage, to mobilise finance are yet to be fulfilled. Ahead of the WIM review,

parties must assess, identify and agree on raising an innovative source of finance to address the broader impact of loss and damage that fall outside of **historical parameters**.

We recognize the efforts of the parties to establish the local communities and Indigenous peoples' platform and call upon them to support the proposals of the International Indigenous Forum on Climate Change.