

*The Government of the Lebanese Republic,*

*Encouraged* by the attempts put forward to bring about a global concerted action towards combating climate change,

*Reaffirms* its commitment to the UNFCCC and its Kyoto Protocol, and the principle of *common but differentiated responsibilities*, and acknowledges that the UNFCCC, and its Kyoto Protocol, is the primary international, intergovernmental forum for negotiating the global response to climate change,

*Urges* all Parties to work towards a comprehensive, precautionary, equitable and fair agreement,

*Reaffirms* that the ultimate purpose of the UNFCCC should be *safeguarding the survival of all countries and peoples with a long term goal of keeping warming below 2°C*,

*Believes* that adaptation action should be targeted at the vulnerable people in all developing countries,

*Reiterates* that Lebanon's greenhouse gas emissions are minimal on a global level,

*Recognizes* that emerging scientific evidence shows Lebanon's high vulnerability to climate change and that climate change will hinder its efforts to achieve sustainable development,

*Endorses the stance of G77 + China which states that developed countries have a specific responsibility to carry out deeper cuts in greenhouse gas emissions in accordance with the commitments made under the UNFCCC and its Kyoto Protocol, and are under the responsibility to provide adequate support geared towards the implementation of mitigation and adaptation strategies in developing countries,*

*Underscores* that Lebanon has limited human, financial and technical resources to mitigate and adapt to the impacts of climate change,

*Seeks* the support of developed countries to enable Lebanon to adapt to climate change while continuing to strive towards reaching sustainable development,

*Declares*, in a voluntary effort to curb increasing global greenhouse gas emissions, its willingness to take nationally appropriate mitigation actions that are enabled and supported by financing, technology transfer and capacity building from developed countries, and therefore

*Commits to introducing renewable energy into its energy mix with a target of 12% by 2020.*