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**Statement by H.E. Mr. Claude Heller, Permanent Representative of Mexico
to the United Nations, on the 10-Year Framework of Programmes
on Sustainable Consumption and Production during the
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Good afternoon Mr. Chairman,

Sustainable consumption and production is a cross-cutting topic crucial to assist countries' capacities move towards sustainable development, consistent with Agenda 21, the outcome of the United Nations Conference on the Environment and Development in 1992 and the Plan for Action of the World Summit on Sustainable Development in 2002.

In this context, the adoption of a 10-Year Framework of Programmes on Sustainable Consumption and Production is a priority for the 19^o Session of the Commission on Sustainable Development.

In supporting this initiative, we wish to reiterate the necessity of continuing to work on the definition of the instruments needed to develop, implement, and follow-up its goals and advances.

We welcome the outcome of the "High-Level Intercessional Meeting of the Commission on Sustainable Development, on the 10-Year Framework of Programmes on Sustainable Consumption and Production", held in Panama City, last January, in which it was possible to identify not only common understanding, but also important challenges that we must overcome in order to count with an effective, efficient, action-oriented, flexible and transparent 10-Year Framework.

Mr. Chairman, we would like to reiterate the following:

- The functions identified for the 10-Year Framework are appropriate, although not limited; we believe that the promotion and implementation of all kinds of innovation, including those coming from traditional knowledge of local and indigenous communities, should be incorporated as an additional use of the 10-Year Framework.
- In recognizing that the 10-Year Framework requires a higher level of formal, political and institutional coordination, we reiterate our disposition to work with already existing institutions.
- Independent from the institutional model proposed for its implementation, the 10-Year Framework would relate to the sustainable development and international environment governability reform processes that will be essential to the work process of Rio+20. There is a link between the 10-Year Framework and Rio+20 that we can't ignore, in order to avoid loosening efforts and overlapping functions.

- If there is a consensus in implementing a greater participation of the social sector and interest groups involved in sustainable consumption and production, it would be necessary that these sector and groups are the ones to actively participate in the identification of priorities, defined in accordance to their own regional and national realities.
- In this regard, we reiterate that flexibility should remain essential in the instrumentation programme process of the 10-Year Framework, since it would respond to the different national and regional priorities and necessities identified, just as how the Marrakech Process has proven.
- Also, we propose the development of agreed measures and criteria to compare the success of the 10-Year Framework programmes, which will add to the indicators already designed to monitor programmes launched by this initiative. It is important to mention, for example, that every programme presented within the 10-Year Framework should respond to the cross-sectional nature of sustainable consumption and production.
- Finally, the consolidation of the institutional structure anticipated for the 10-Year Framework invariably involves the establishment of some form of financing mechanism that will allow for the implementation of this initiative, an aspect that we have to take into consideration and provide creative solutions.

Mr. Chairman,

Achieving a sustainable development requires the implementation of global, regional and local strategies and policies that will allow for the transition to sustainable consumption and production standards, which constitutes an essential element of a green economy. Sustainable consumption and production come into action when related to an economy low in fossil fuels consumption.

The outcome of the 16th Conference of the Parties of the United Nations Framework Convention on Climate Change, held in Cancun, last December, represents an essential step towards the consolidation of a long-term climate regime, where sustainable consumption and production consolidate as an additional alternative to mitigate the effects of climate change, thanks to initiatives like the 10-Year Framework of Programmes on Sustainable Consumption and Production.

Thank you.