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FROM PARTIES NOT INCLUDED IN ANNEX 1**

Thank you Mr. Chairman,

Canada fully supports the establishment of a review process for non-Annex 1 Parties and hopes that a decision on this can be reached at CoP 4. We would like to particularly thank the co-chairs for their draft compilation which provides a good basis for further discussion.

We congratulate those countries who have completed their initial national communications, look forward to additional communications, and thank those that have shared their experiences with us today .

With respect to the role of the GEF in supporting these national efforts we will coordinate our comments on the GEF under agenda item 4. Canada welcomes the initiative of the United States and Malaysian co-chairs to hold a workshop in August in Kuala-Lumpur. We see value in the role of such an informal workshop to increase awareness of the guidelines for preparing national communications, methodologies and the review process itself.

Thank you

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