

OBJECTIVES ESTABLISHED IN THE CONVENTION: BUENOS AIRES SHOULD BE ANOTHER STEP IN THE SAME DIRECTION.

THE KYOTO PROTOCOL HAS DETERMINED AND DEFINED SIGNIFICANT ISSUES IN THE PATH TOWARDS ATTAINING AN IMPORTANT REDUCTION OF GREENHOUSE GAS EMISSIONS. BUT THE OPERATIVITY OF THE INTERNATIONAL REGIME DEvised IN KYOTO HAS BEEN LEFT TO BE DECIDED IN BUENOS AIRES.

THE ARGENTINE GOVERNMENT IS WELL AWARE OF THE DIFFICULTIES WITH WHICH WE WILL HAVE TO DEAL IN THE IV CONFERENCE OF THE PARTIES WHEN WE MEET IN OUR CAPITAL IN NOVEMBER.

I WISH TO ASSURE ALL DELEGATIONS PRESENT THAT WE AS HOSTS WILL DO WHATEVER IS IN OUR HANDS TO HELP THE IV CONFERENCE TO SUCCEED, IN FACT TO BRING TO LIFE THE SYSTEM DEvised IN KYOTO.

WE SHOULD TRY NOT TO INSIST ON ANY PROPOSALS WHICH MAY BE SEEN AS DIVISIVE IN THE LIGHT OF THE DEBATES WE HAVE HAD SO FAR. ON OUR SIDE WE WILL SUPPORT OUR POSITIONS THROUGH MORE