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UCLG Statement before the One Planet Summit 2017

The members of United Cities and Local Governments welcome the initiative to celebrate the One Planet Summit on the occasion of the second anniversary of the Paris Agreement, and to highlight the need to enhance commitments from all actors, as well to pay particular attention to the financing of initiatives to fight Climate Change.

Bonn-Fiji Commitment

Recalling the Bonn-Fiji Commitment, which we undersigned at COP 23, we affirm our resolve to enhance the resilience of our communities. We underscore the need to assess the direct and indirect impacts of climate change, reduce disaster risks, and implement adaptation planning and measures.

Where applicable, we will establish our own locally and regionally determined contributions to help national governments achieve and exceed existing nationally determined contributions, and support enhanced mechanisms for transparent reporting of our constituency.

Committed to promoting the Global Covenant of Mayors

We commit to develop joint work and support relevant initiatives, including the Global Covenant of Mayors.

Climate Finance Coalition and Climate Chance partnership

Building on the Roadmap of the Climate Finance Coalition, we commit to foster the creation of a common culture of financial accountability that values local people’s interests, and in particular those most vulnerable.

We further commit to develop initiatives with all stakeholders and non-party actors mobilized under the umbrella of Climate Chance, aiming to foster the development of sustainable development policies. Notably, we consider facilitating access to climate finance for local governments and territorial actors a priority.

Committed to co-creating cities through accountable and inclusive governance

As the largest umbrella organization of local and regional governments, we commit to raise awareness among our membership to commit to climate action through the existing initiative, as well as to develop new initiatives that can contribute to sustainability.

We further commit to pay special attention to the development of accountable and inclusive governance that ensures the participation of communities, and the consultation of all actors and multilevel mechanisms.

Call for political support for the 2030 & New Urban Agendas

We call on the international community to foster support towards the achievement of the 2030 and New Urban Agendas as part and parcel of the fight against climate change, and towards the sustainability of our planet.

Call for unity

We call on all local and regional government networks to continue fostering solidarity among cities and local and regional governments, and to consolidate work within the framework of the Global Taskforce, as a reference mechanism for action as a constituency.