SUBJECT: Invitation to Participate in the Global High-Level Dialogue on Methane Emissions from the Waste Sector

On behalf of the COP31 Presidency, I extend my respects to you, and it is my honour to inform you of the following.

As we prepare for the upcoming 31st Conference of the Parties (COP31) to the UN Framework Convention on Climate Change in Antalya, our focus is on translating collective climate ambition into concrete and practical action. Through the COP31 Action Agenda, we are placing implementation at the heart of our efforts. Building on the framework of the Global Climate Action Agenda, we designed the COP31 Action Agenda as a practical implementation platform that complements formal negotiations by mobilising voluntary action, partnerships and coalitions among Parties and non-Party stakeholders to accelerate implementation and deliver tangible results across ten priority areas for climate action.

As part of this effort, the COP31 Presidency is honoured to share the attached concept note for the Global High-Level Dialogue on Methane Emissions from the Waste Sector, aimed at accelerating implementation-oriented methane action in the waste sector by helping countries translate existing national commitments and policies into concrete implementation pathways and by strengthening international cooperation and the systematic exchange of practical implementation experience.

The Global High-Level Dialogue responds to persistent barriers to methane mitigation in the waste sector, including limited capacity, technology, data, project development and finance. It helps connect country and city needs with expertise, technologies, project development support and potential sources of finance, while supporting the scaling of effective methane reduction measures.

On behalf of the COP31 Presidency, I would like to invite you to engage with the Global High-Level Dialogue and contribute relevant expertise, implementation support, or financing capabilities. Your cooperation would be highly appreciated as we advance our joint efforts towards COP31 and beyond.

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I look forward to working with you towards a successful COP31 in Antalya.

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