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Hon. Roberto B. Tan, National Treasurer of the Philippines

Thank you Mr. President.

- 1. Let me first take this opportunity to express our gratitude and appreciation to the government and people of Ethiopia for their hospitality and generosity in hosting this landmark global event. Yours is indeed a beautiful country.
- 2. The road to Addis Ababa has not been an easy one. But the presence of all of us here is proof of our belief in the transformative agenda of this Conference.
- The Addis Action Agenda will not only strengthen the mobilization and effective use of financing from all sources to support the Post-2015 Development Agenda, including the Sustainable Development G

- Climate financing should be in addition to Official Development Assistance (ODA). Capacity building, finance, and technology will be critical in the implementation of our adaptation and mitigation strategy.
- 11. We welcome the establishment of a Technology Facilitation Mechanism (TFM) to promote the development, transfer and dissemination of clean and environmentally sound technologies.
- 12. We call attention as well on the need for coordinated policy on easier and cheaper access to highly demanded technologies, particularly those covered by costly intellectual property rights.
- 13. We call on concrete measures to improve migrant workers protection and rights, and decrease remittance costs. We can share best practices in managing migration and engagement with diaspora. We must all recognize that migrant workers contribute to economic opportunities and growth of both source and destination countries.
- 14. The Philippines is eager to

members. We also encourage states to participate in the Extractive Industries Transparency Initiative (EITI)