

25 February 2013

The Co-Chairs and Board Members of the Green Climate Fund (GCF)  
c/o Mr. Ewen McDonald and Mr. Zaheer Fakir  
Co-Chairs, Green Climate Fund

Dear Co-Chairs and Members of the GCF Board:

The Indigenous Peoples Organizations (IPO) Constituency accredited under the UNFCCC, in the name of the International Indigenous Peoples Forum on Climate Change (IIPFCC), has the pleasure to convey to the Board our Open Statement on the Green Climate Fund (GCF). This IIPFCC Statement was agreed in a series of meetings of the IPO constituency during the UNFCCC COP18/CMP8 in Doha, Qatar last December, 2012.

This open statement is a collective result of separate discussions among indigenous leaders and representatives from Asia, Africa, Latin America and North America which reflects our major concerns and proposals on the Green Climate Fund.

We appeal for the kind consideration of the Governing Body of the fund on these concerns and proposal to ensure implementation of safeguards relevant to the recognition and respect of the rights of Indigenous Peoples with their full and effective participation in the GCF processes.

Sincerely yours,

Focal Persons of Indigenous Peoples Organizations (IPO/IIPFCC) on the GCF

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