

**In the name of God, the Compassionate, the Merciful**

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**Excellencies,**

**Distinguished delegates,**

**Ladies and Gentlemen,**

At the outset, please allow me to express my appreciation to the people and government of Switzerland for hosting this important Conference. My sincere thanks also go to the World Meteorological Organization (WMO) and its International Organizing Committee (WIOC) for excellent arrangement and preparation made to convene this Conference at this very important juncture of time.

WCC-3 takes place in a time that the world is more than ever focused on the issues related to climate variability and change. People worldwide are following closely the proceedings and works of national and international institutions with the hope of genuine change in the attitude and approach of decision-makers on climate change in order to make our planet a safe place to live for current and future generations. The climate variability and change is real and with its adverse effects,

being felt in all aspects of human life, enhanced international cooperation and collaboration strongly is required.

Climate originated problems are now a major source of anxiety for the people around the world including Asia. There are hardly, a period of time in the year without a small or major catastrophe in the world, some unprecedented in their scale, intensity or frequency, disrupting continuation of normal life.

In the Middle East including my country, besides other weather related extremes, drought and dust storms have been intensified during the last decades and created a hard condition to live in some parts of the region.

We welcome the establishment of a "Global Framework for Climate Services". It is to address how human can benefit from advances in climate prediction and information services to manage climate-related risks as a way of developing resilience through adaptation.

We hope that this Framework benefits from the financial and technical support of international community in particular by the developed countries in order to enhance, coordinate and boost the related activities from production to application of the climate services. WMO and its partner organizations providing the services should bear in mind that for the services to be applicable at national and regional level, they should be of required details and suitable resolution to resolve the regional climate condition and give a clear answer to the related questions at national and regional level.

This would reduce the level of uncertainty in the products in order to be applicable in the decision and policymaking processes.

Finally I would like to assure you of my delegation's readiness to constructively contribute to very successful conclusion of the Conference.

**Thank you Mr. President.**