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The Permanent Mission of Ecuador to the United Nations in its capacity as Presidency Pro Tempore of the Community of Latin American and Caribbean States (CELAC), presents its compliments to the Co-Chairs of the Third International Conference on Financing for Development, and has the honor to attach herewith additional comments and views on the elements and expectations that the region has for the upcoming zero draft.

These additional comments are coming from the Declaration of CELAC on Financing for Development adopted by the Head of States and Government of the region, in Belen, Costa Rica, on January 29th, 2015.

The Community of Latin American and Caribbean States will like to remark that the attached document doesn't limit the discussion or exhaust further contributions and approaches that the region will put into consideration for the process, particularly the inputs that will be produced after the regional meeting on Financing for Development to be held on March 12 and 13, 2015, in Santiago – Chile.

In the same way, the Community of Latin American and Caribbean States will like to reserve its right to submit further contributions on the need to strengthen the commitments made to LLDCs in the Vienna Programme of Action, as well as further contributions to LDCs, SIDs and MICs.

The Permanent Mission of Ecuador to the United Nations in its capacity as Presidency Pro Tempore of the Community of Latin American and Caribbean States, avails itself of this opportunity to renew to the Co-Chairs of the Third International Conference on Financing for Development, the assurances o its highest consideration and the actively engagement in the whole preparation process for the Conference.

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