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Thank you, co-facilitator.

I am Gloria Jaconelli from CropLife International I am delivering this statement on behalf of the business and industry group, BINGO. The Koronivia Joint Work on Agriculture has provided a unique forum to exchange knowledge and best practices for Parties, experts and observers.

The private sector acknowledges and has contributed to what has been shared in the Koronivia discussions, including the need to transition to implementing outcomes and lessons. Business and industry have a critical role to play and are already doing so in our value chains, as well as by supporting Parties in delivering solutions to climate change through implementing adaptation and mitigation options.

During the past workshops, we have been reflecting on the critical role agriculture plays in climate change mitigation and adaptation, often stressing the importance of reducing agriculture-related GHGs, through technology and nature-based solutions such as improved crop and livestock management, and soil health and carbon sequestration. But we should not forget the first role of agriculture, which is to provide food and nutrition security to the world, nor its essential contributions to the achievements of the Sustainable Development Goals. No other sector contributes to the achievement of all the SDGs the way that agriculture does. Climate action in agriculture can have wider co-benefits for sustainable development. Yes, agriculture does emit GHG emissions, but it can also be a solution, for example, with proactive actions that promote carbon sequestration.

Moving forward, as BINGO we support continuing the work on agriculture beyond COP 27. We would also like to strongly emphasize the need for any future work to establish links between the agricultural discussion and the broader UNFCCC decision-making process.

To facilitate implementation, Koronivia outcomes need to be incorporated into other UNFCCC workstreams, such as the discussion on article 6 and the role that agriculture can play in the context of responsible and meaningful carbon market and non-market opportunities. As the importance of agriculture and food systems is increasing, now is an opportune moment for the agriculture discussions to transition from dialogue to action in a way that is recognized throughout the UNFCCC process; that considers emissions reductions and respects the essential role of agriculture in food security, livelihoods, and other related co-benefits.

Thank you, co-facilitator.