

Fifth meeting of the Open-Ended Meeting of the Committee of Permanent Representatives (OECPR-5)

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Venezuela intervention that couldn't be made on the Adoption of the minutes of the 153rd meeting of the Committee of the Permanent Representatives held on the past 26th of January 2021 due to the virtual constrains and that was requested to be sent by email.

Venezuela thinks it is important to make the following observations in order to adjust the concepts to a common understanding:

In paragraph 8

We recognize as important the inclusion of the human dimension of Climate Change "protecting people and nature from the impacts of Climate Change"; however, it is believed that everything related with Climate Change should incorporate the basic principle of Common but Differentiated Responsibilities; also needs to incorporate "Loss and Damage" at the same level of adaptation and financing.

In paragraph 11

We think is imprecise, ambiguous, the use of the reference to a "toxic economy" that does not start from any report with scientific rigor, it can even become discriminatory.

In paragraph 12,

We strongly oppose to the use of a false fact that intend to give scientific rigor to the following statement: "The production of fossil fuels had to be reduced by approximately 6% per cent to 2030 to keep global warming below 1.5 degrees Celsius." The problem is not production per se, it is consumption and unsustainable patterns in industrialized countries, and is only referring to a only source of Greenhouse Gases GHG.

In paragraph 18,

We express our concerns on the use of concepts like "blue" economies in quotation marks. It is important to bear in mind that for our country the adjectives by colors "green", "blue" is not an accepted formula that should be standardized, less when it goes to the detriment of universally accepted concepts such as sustainable development.