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## TRIBUTE TO THE GOVERNMENT AND PEOPLE OF MEXICO

The participants in the thirteenth meeting of the Conference of the Parties to the Convention on Biological Diversity, the eighth meeting of the Conference of the Parties serving as the meeting of the Parties to the Cartagena Protocol on Biosafety, and the second meeting of the Conference of the Parties serving as the meeting of the Parties to the Nagoya Protocol on Access to Genetic Resources and the Fair and Equitable Sharing of Benefits arising from their utilization;

Having met in Cancun from 4 to 17 December 2016 at the gracious invitation of the Government of Mexico,

Deeply appreciative of the special courtesy and warm hospitality extended to participants by the Government of Mexico, the State of Quintana Roo, the City of Cancun, and their people,

*Express* their sincere gratitude to the Government and people of Mexico for their generosity of spirit and their contribution to the success of this meeting.