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POSITION OF NICARAGUA REGARDING THE AGGRESSION OF THE GREEN CLIMATE FUND SECRETARIAT, BY CANCELING THE BIOCLIMA PROGRAM THAT WOULD SERVE INDIGENOUS AND AFRODESCENT COMMUNITIES OF NICARAGUA

The Government of Nicaragua repudiates and rejects the decision of the Secretariat of the Green Climate Fund who, through non-transparent, and unethical processes, procedures and practices, have canceled the financing for the BIOCLIMA Project, conceived to contribute to the protection and defense of the Bosawas and Indio Maíz biosphere reserves, by reducing deforestation, increasing reforestation and strengthening the resilience of these important reserves. The Nicaraguan People and its Institutions have been exemplary in complying with the mission of caring for Mother Earth. Nicaragua was the first country to subscribe to the Universal Declaration of the Rights of Mother Earth and Humanity, being also consistent with the recognition of the property rights of the Indigenous and Afro-descendant Communities, achieving international recognition for having demarcated and titled 25 territories of the Native Peoples, with an area equal to 38,426 square kilometers, which is equivalent to 31.6% of the National Territory.

We have delivered to the Indigenous Communities, to the Indigenous Peoples, 31.6% of our Territory, 38,426 kilometers. That is a demonstration of strengthening the Rights of the Indigenous Communities and Peoples of our Country. Since the Presidency of Comandante Daniel Ortega Saavedra, the largest social and infrastructure investment has been made in the entire history of our Nicaragua, in order to guarantee the improvement of the quality of Life of all Nicaraguan Families, in all Homes, and fundamentally of those that were historically excluded. We have developed Programs for Education, Health, Housing, Water and Sanitation, Citizen Security, Promotion of Small and Medium Production, Energy, Roads, among others; with a sustained effort to protect and defend Natural Resources, the Environment and Biodiversity.

Therefore, the Government of Nicaragua, the Republic of Nicaragua, denounce the aggressive, coercive and unilateral measures of this Institution, which has violated the Principles and Agreements signed before the International Community, Agreements signed to defend Nature, adaptation and mitigation in the face of Climate Change, and ensure the transformation of the Lives of Indigenous and Afro-descendant Peoples, without leaving no one behind.

We demand and require that the Green Climate Fund guarantee the mobilization of the resources committed by the International Community, those that have been taken from the Indigenous and Afro-descendant Peoples of our Nicaragua. Mobilize these resources to address the challenges and multiple crises that Humanity faces, such as Climate Change caused by the richest countries, which are the same ones that attack our Indigenous, Miskito, Mayagna, Creole, Garífuna, Rama, Ulwas, Sumus and Mestizos Peoples.

The same rich countries are the ones that are attacking, those that have attacked, those that have tried to end the Rights of each of these Indigenous Peoples and Communities that are part of Nicaragua; Indigenous Peoples and Communities of which we are extremely proud, because they are ourselves.

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