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International Forum on Climate Justice - The People's Dialogue Cancun, December 5-10, 2010

Civil society organizations, social movements, nationally and internationally organized indigenous communities together in coordination with international networks and organizations and constituted as an **International Committee** call for discussion, mobilization and intervention in the 16th session of the Conference of the Parties (COP-16) in the city of Cancun, Mexico, December 3-11. This mobilization will be accompanied by a number of activities in Mexico and around the world and will include the national and international caravans that are expected to arrive in Cancun.

The mobilization will consist of debate, analysis, elaboration of positions and proposals, demonstrations, marches, rallies, workshops, cultural and artistic expression, outreach activities in the street and through mass media, strategies pertaining to the Climate Justice Tribunal and the installation of a open campsite.

As part of this mobilization, we will hold the **International Forum on Climate Justice - The People's Dialogue** with the following objectives:

General objective:

- Create a space for information, discussion, analysis, and formulation of proposals and strategies of civil society, social movements and indigenous communities on climate change and climate justice.

Specific objectives:

- Establish a general framework of **information and analysis** on the current situation taking place within the COP-16 that will enable networks, organizations, social movements, indigenous communities and citizens to meet, discuss and debate different **approaches and strategies** at the national and international level.
- Analyze and debate the implications of climate change in different spheres and sectors of life, **the false solutions and alternative proposals** to form a national and international agenda.
- Discuss and propose **strategies** for civil society, social movements and indigenous communities regarding climate change in the short and long-term.

- Communicate the positions of civil society organizations, social movements and indigenous communities on climate change through various media.

The International Forum on Climate Justice - The People's Dialogue will be held December 5-10, 2010 at the *Mup Palas*, located at Block 21 in the city center of Cancun.

Logistics and methodology:

This is a forum for debate and discussion with the objective of exchanging information and creating synergies. At the same time, it seeks to strengthen the methods and mechanisms necessary to arrive at statements, positions and strategies for public dissemination directed to the people and governments. To achieve both objectives, **interconnected** sessions will be held.

The International Forum on Climate Justice will consist of three types of meetings:

- **Thematic panels** organized in two stages. One session will be held for general comments in order to frame the major issues. A second session will consist of workgroups that will further develop each of the major issues. Each workgroup will select a moderator and a secretary to gather and record contributions and proposals. The secretaries from each workgroup will, in a single document, put together a summary of the contributions from each workgroup that will inform the strategy discussions taking place throughout the conference.
- **Strategy Meetings.** Strategy meetings will seek to advance the short and medium-term action plans of the international movement for Climate Justice. The International Committee will formulate a methodology that will facilitate the discussion and enable proposals and agreements. A committee will also be selected to draft a general declaration of the International Forum. These meetings must also take into account the statements and demands made at the World People's Conference in Cochabamba and other spaces such as the Climate Justice Tribunal, the Referendum on climate change, among others. In conjunction with the strategy meetings, a space will also be convened to give updates on the status of the formal negotiations taking place within the COP 16. A group of people will be selected to give daily updates on a pre-determined schedule either before or after the strategy meetings.
- **Self-organized events** will be held simultaneously with the thematic panels and will be led by any organization or person interested in enhancing any theme or subject in the form of a workshop, exhibition or media display. Anyone interested can participate in the organization of these activities.

All activities will be registered and publicized in a general program. Events must

be registered at www.dialogoclimatico.org in the *Inscripciones* section. Activities will be accommodated in accord with the available space.

In the evenings, press conferences, cultural events or recreational activities can be organized but must also be registered so that the appropriate space can be reserved.

PANELS

The thematic panels will combine presentations by people that are familiar with the issues with testimonies from people from the community. The purpose is to provide information and perspective from people that have accumulated experience and knowledge on the particular theme and also have a direct relation with the affected communities and movements who, through their experiences and knowledge have formulated demands and proposals to arrive at Climate Justice. A gender balance will be sought and local, national, and international presenters will be represented.

Preliminary Program	
Sunday, December 5, 2010	
9:00 a 10:00	Welcome and inauguration
General Panels	
10:00 a 11:00	I. Climate Change: Reflections on a global crisis
11:00 a 12:00	II. Worsening climate crisis: the role of free trade, multinationals and international finance institutions
12:00 a 14:00	Thematic Panels 1 and 2
14:00 a 15:00	Break
Panels on Forests, Food Sovereignty, Natural Resources and Indigenous Communities	
15:00 a 17:00	III. Climate change, agriculture and food sovereignty.
17:00 a 19:00	Thematic Panel 3
Monday, December 6	
9:00 a 11:00	IV. Forests: carbon sinks or generators of life?
11:00 a 13:00	Thematic Panel 4
13:00 a 14:00	V. Indigenous communities, the rights of Mother Earth and climate justice
14:00 a 15:00	Break
15:00 a 17:30	Thematic Panel 5
17:30 a 20:00	Strategy Meeting
Tuesday, December 7	Day of mobilization and street expression Joint March – DIÁLOGO-ESMEX & VÍA CAMPESINA.
Wednesday, December 8	
Panels on Megaprojects, Migration and Militarization	
9:00 a 10:00	VI. Mining, megaprojects and the energy model
10:00 a 11:00	VII. Climate migrants and militarization
11:00 a 13:00	Thematic Panels 6 and 7
Panels on Gender Justice, Urban Sustainability and Labor Issues	
13:00 a 14:00	VIII. Gender justice and climate justice
14:00 a 15:00	Break
15:00 a 18:00	Thematic Panel 8
18:00 a 20:00	Strategy Meeting
Tuesday, December 9	
9:00 a 10:30	IX. Cities, transportation and urban sustainability

10:30 a 12:00	Workgroups on cities, transportation and urban sustainability
12:00 a 13:00	X. Workers and climate justice
13:00 a 14:00	Workgroups on workers and climate justice
14:00 a 15:00	Break
Panel on Water, Dams and Disasters	
15:00 a 16:00	XI. Water, dams and disasters
16:00 a 18:00	Thematic Panel 9
18:00 a 20:00	Strategy Meeting
Friday, December 10	
Final Panel on the Construction of Strategies toward Climate Justice	
9:00 a 11:00	Strategies of civil society and social movements for climate justice.
11:00 a 13:00	Workgroups on strategy
13:00 a 15:00	Final plenary for consensus and agreements
15:00 a 16:00	Break
16:00 a 17:30	Closing and press conference: a reading of the final declaration.