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Draft Political Commitment for the Ninth Summit of the Americas Accelerating the Clean Energy Transition

We, the Heads of State and Government of the Americas commit:

1. To incorporate energy conservation, net zero emission goals, and climate resilience into new public infrastructure plans.
2. To advance implementation of the Global Methane Pledge, including through the development of robust, transparent, and verifiable country-level methane mitigation action plans.
3. To end the public financing of new unabated coal power generation by the end of 2022.
4. To implement ambitious 2030 emission reduction targets and develop country-level roadmaps to accelerate replacing coal and inefficient fossil fuels with clean energy technologies, in a timeline consistent with a pathway toward the goal of limiting warming to 1.5 degrees Celsius.
5. To share best practices on inclusive and equitable energy-efficient transportation infrastructure and urban designs that consider the needs of disadvantaged populations, including individuals with disabilities, women and girls, members of racial and ethnic minorities, and other marginalized communities who disproportionately bear the burdens of the climate crisis.
6. To support and promote the Renewable Energy in Latin America and the Caribbean (RELAC) initiative and its goals, including significantly increasing Latin American and Caribbean membership by COP-28 in 2023.
7. To advance sound mining sector governance principles, particularly for those minerals and metals powering the energy transition and thus experiencing rapid growth.
8. To work with the private sector to identify and overcome factors impacting trade in clean energy goods and services, including but not limited to regulations, tariffs, financing, human rights due diligence, and customs delays. Governments will report on public-private engagement on this topic with the goal of identifying the top five relevant factors and have appropriate ministries develop a plan to address them by 2023.

9. To allocate COVID-19 recovery funds to green investments that reach underserved communities, including women and girls, in all their diversity, and other marginalized communities who disproportionately bear the burdens of COVID-19 and the climate crisis.
10. To work with the private sector and multilateral development banks to identify and finance quality clean energy infrastructure projects which follow international best practices for environmental and human rights standards and procurement and reach underserved communities.
11. To set and implement goals for the scale-up of offshore renewable energy, as appropriate, by 2023.