

**STATEMENT BY H.E. DR. SAMIA SULUHU HASSAN,
PRESIDENT OF THE UNITED REPUBLIC OF TANZANIA TO
THE WORLDLEADERS' SUMMIT AT THE 28TH SESSION OF
THE CONFERENCE OF THE PARTIES (COP 28) TO THE
UNITED NATIONS FRAMEWORK CONVENTION ON
CLIMATE CHANGE - DUBAI, UAE**

Your Excellency President of COP28,

Your Highnesses and Majesties,

Excellencies,

Ladies and Gentlemen,

In Copenhagen, we committed \$100 billion annually for climate action. Though far less than required, it is still not forthcoming. In Paris, we resolved to keep warming below 1.5 degrees Celsius, however the current rate of warming is alarming.

It must be said, unfulfilled commitments erode solidarity and trust, and have detrimental and costly consequences for developing countries. My own country is losing 2 to 3 percent of its GDP due to climate change.

Excellencies,

The clock is ticking. This year's IPCC Report cautioned that "adaptation options that are feasible and effective today will

become constrained and less effective with increasing global warming". Putting in place the Global Goal on Adaptation framework is a matter of urgency and not a choice. We must match our intent with our actions, and we must act now. The decision is therefore ours: adhere to science or face the consequences.

Despite its minimal emissions contribution, Tanzania is doing its part. At this COP, we seek to mobilize support for increased use of clean and affordable cooking fuels and technologies across Africa, especially for women. Our call is for all of us to play our part.

Excellencies,

Honouring our commitments and advancing the pace of climate action is the solution to this scourge. As we seek to **Unite, Act and Deliver**, here in Dubai, we must deliver on climate finance. We must effect the Loss and Damage Fund, and make the fund accessible for developing countries, predictable, and transparent in its operation.

I thank you.