Declaration on Climate Action

The world is already witnessing multiple disruptive impacts of climate change. Global emissions are reaching new heights, entailing that ambitious, determined and global climate action is more pressing than ever. As NB8 Foreign Ministers, we will press for ambitious climate action by utilizing all relevant tools at our disposal.

Climate will be a top priority for us at the 74th session of the UN General Assembly. We will push to ensure that the UN Climate Action Summit on 23 September 2019 mobilizes concrete and ambitious action. The Summit gives momentum to the process for more ambitious Nationally Determined Contributions by 2020, which is the only adequate response to IPCC's Special Report on Global Warming from last fall.

We cannot effectively address climate change without protecting the natural environment. The deforestation and related forest fires in the Amazon and in other places are a tragic reminder. The Leticia Pact for the Amazon is a good starting point for the international community to cooperate with forest countries that are committed to reducing deforestation and promoting sustainable development of the Amazon region. In cooperation with countries in the Amazon basin, the NB8 stand ready to assist if needed and requested. We owe it to future generations and have a global responsibility to protect the climate.