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Parliamentary Meeting on the Occasion of the United Nations Climate Change Conference

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British Group Inter-Parliamentary Union

DRAFT PROGRAMME

Sunday 7 November

08:00 - 18:00 Registration of participants

09:00 - 09:30 **OPENING SESSION**

The Speaker of the UK House of Commons and the IPU President will welcome participants to Glasgow and will officially open the Parliamentary Meeting at COP26. The critical role of parliaments in the COP process will be highlighted, with the intention of inspiring delegates to use their parliamentary powers to implement the outcomes of COP26.

09:30 - 10:00 **INSPIRATIONAL TALK**

Participants will hear from a special guest speaker with expertise in the climate change field. The speaker will provide a 15-20-minute keynote speech on global cooperation and the value of nature. This speech will provoke thought and act as a catalyst for participants to share ideas in the following sessions.

10:00 – 11:00 **UPDATE ON PROGRESS OF COP26 NEGOTIATIONS**

Representatives from the UNFCCC and the COP26 team will report back directly to parliamentarians on the progress of negotiations, which will be ongoing at the COP Summit. This briefing will provide parliamentarians with detailed information on the COP process, as well as the national and international COP commitments. It will also provide an opportunity for discussion among the delegates and panellists on how parliamentary follow-up to UNFCCC meetings can be effectively executed.

11:00 - 11:15 **GROUP PHOTO AND TEA BREAK**

11:15 - 13:00 **ADVOCACY SESSION**

This session will focus on parliamentary action to reach national targets and increase government accountability. Delegates will hear from both experts and fellow parliamentarians, who will share the details of the challenges they have faced,

initiatives and good practices from different countries around the world. The aim of this session is to promote cooperation and open dialogue among international parliamentarians.

13:00 - 14:00 **LUNCH**

14:00 - 15:15 **INTERACTIVE PANEL DISCUSSION – CLIMATE FINANCE**

This interactive panel discussion will focus on climate finance, with particular emphasis on the role of parliaments in raising finance for climate activities and access for vulnerable states to finance to support a green recovery post-pandemic. Delegates will hear presentations from experts in the sector as well as parliamentarians from both donor and recipient states.

15:15 -16:30 **THEMATIC DEBATE – LOSS AND DAMAGE**

The debate will explore the topic of loss and damage. Speakers will assess means of measuring and addressing the unavoidable impacts of climate change. Delegates will hear first-hand both from experts working in this area and from parliamentarians from countries most vulnerable to the impacts of climate change. Delegates will have the opportunity to respond to and comment on points raised in the presentations.

16:30 -17:30 **EXPERT OPINION**

Attendees will hear from leading voices in the field about what's next after COP26. Experts will share their thoughts on how to work together to reach targets and mitigate impacts of climate change after Glasgow. A key focus will be on continuing the momentum after Glasgow and ensuring that the climate emergency stays at the forefront of the parliamentary agenda.

17:30 - 18:00 **CLOSING SESSION**

Adoption of the revised Outcome Document and closing of the meeting. The session will be led by co-Rapporteurs, Ms. Alessia Rotta, appointed by the Italian Parliament, and Mr Alex Sobel, appointed by the British Group of the IPU.

18:15 - 20:00 **EVENING RECEPTION**

