

STATEMENT OF THE INDIGENOUS PEOPLES MAJOR GROUP

Goal 17: Means of Implementation: Financing

The indigenous peoples major Group is seriously concern on the reliance to Public-Private Partnership for the implementation of the 2030 Agenda with the business as usual approach. Based on our experience on project funded under private- public partnerships such as on larges dams and other energy projects, these have resulted to massive land grabs, displacements, destruction of our livelihoods, disregard to our culture and indigenous institutions, as well as environmental.

The implementation of the SDGs requires structural and transformational actions and measures to rectify the monopoly of finance, unequal distribution of wealth and resources, and imbalance economic power which is dominated by the private sector, particularly large corporations. Likewise, financial transparency and accountability of both the public and the private sector are needed, and policy cohesion in line with the respect and protection of human rights and balanced implementation of the social, environment and economic dimensions of the SDGs. Sadly, there is more appetite to finance targets for economic growth and industrialization, social needs such as quality education, social protection, environment protection and sustainable management of resources,

The IPMG recommends the following under the Means of Implementation:

1. For the Ministerial Declaration to include concrete actions to mobilize resources including the effective implementation of the common but differentiated responsibilities of States in supporting the implementation of the SDGs
2. Ensure adequate finance and resources to support targeted plans and programmes to address poverty, health, education; and self-determined development in a holistic manner.
3. Partnerships to support the implementation of the SDGs should be based on solidarity, meeting the needs and aspirations of indigenous peoples and marginalized groups and compliance to policies on transparency, accountability, respect for human rights, equity and non-discrimination.
4. Investments to projects affecting indigenous peoples shall require the free prior and informed consent of affected communities, in line with the effective recognition and protection of their rights to their lands, territories and resources, as self-determined development.