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Mr. Executive Secretary,

With this letter, I wish to inform you that Switzerland is willing to be associated with the Copenhagen Accord (Note Verbale of the Permanent Mission of Denmark to the United Nations on 30 December 2009 and your notification to Parties on 18 January 2010).

Responding to paragraph 4 of the Accord, Switzerland submits the following information on its national quantified economy-wide emission targets:

Annex I Parties	**Quantified economy-wide emission targets for 2020**	
	Emissions reduction in 2020	Base year
Switzerland	20 % / 30 %*	1990

* As part of a global and comprehensive agreement for the period beyond 2012, Switzerland reiterates its conditional offer to move to a 30% reduction by 2020 compared to 1990 levels, provided that other developed countries commit themselves to comparable emission reductions and that developing countries contribute adequately according to their responsibilities and respective capabilities.

These targets are subject to their approval by the Swiss Parliament.

Whereas Switzerland shares your views that the Copenhagen Accord is not a legally binding text, we recognize its political significance and consider it an important base for the further work of the Convention bodies in pursuit of a new legally binding global climate regime. To this aim, further refinements and agreement on key elements, such as a global reduction objective of 50 % by 2050 in view of limiting global temperature increase to 2 degree, are needed.

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Switzerland wishes to reconfirm its commitment to further negotiations with all parties within the UNFCCC and its Kyoto Protocol with a view to concluding as soon as possible a legally binding international agreement for the period starting 1 January 2013.

Please accept, Mr. Executive Secretary, the assurances of my highest consideration.

Moritz Leuenberger
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