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Dear Mr de Boer

In response to your notification of 18 January 2010, I would like to advise that New Zealand wishes to be associated with the Copenhagen Accord.

The Copenhagen Accord is a constructive first step towards developing a comprehensive global deal on climate change. Joining the Accord reinforces New Zealand's ongoing commitment to do its fair share of the global effort to address climate change.

I am pleased to attach New Zealand's quantified economy-wide emissions reduction target for 2020 for inclusion in Appendix I to the Accord and any related publicly-available documents.

I look forward to working with you and other countries in further negotiations under the United Nations Framework Convention on Climate Change.

Yours sincerely

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Quantified economy-wide emissions targets for 2020

Annex I Parties	*Quantified economy-wide emissions targets for 2020*	
	Emissions reduction in 2020	Base year
New Zealand	New Zealand is prepared to take on a responsibility target for greenhouse gas emissions reductions of between 10 per cent and 20 per cent below 1990 levels by 2020, if there is a comprehensive global agreement. This means: • the global agreement sets the world on a pathway to limit temperature rise to not more than 2°C; • developed countries make comparable efforts to those of New Zealand; • advanced and major emitting developing countries take action fully commensurate with their respective capabilities; • there is an effective set of rules for land use, land-use change and forestry (LULUCF); and • there is full recourse to a broad and efficient international carbon market.	1990