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Re: Human Rights in the UNFCCC COP21 Paris Outcome Document

Dear Co-Chairs:

Meeting in Storforsen, on the Swedish side of traditional Sami territory, we, participants in the *Future of Life in the Arctic – The Impact of Climate Change. Indigenous and Religious Perspectives*, are writing to express our support for the following revised Operative Paragraph:

**All Parties shall, in all climate change related actions, respect, protect, and fulfil human rights for all, including the rights of indigenous peoples, gender equality and the full and equal participation of women, food security and intergenerational equity as well as a just transition of the work force that creates decent work and quality jobs and upholds the integrity and resilience of natural ecosystems**

We also commit to being in touch with our friends, family and professional networks encouraging them to express their support for this revised Operative Paragraph.

Thank you for your work and for bringing this to our attention.

Sincerely, on behalf of the organizing committee and the participants in the conference:



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