High-Level Statement of Türkiye at MOP-38

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Honourable President, Distinguished delegates,

First of all, I would like to thank the Government of the Republic of Rwanda and the Ozone Secretariat for hosting the Thirty-Eighth Meeting of the Parties to the Montreal Protocol and for their warm welcome.

It is a special honour to be here in Kigali this year, as we mark the **tenth anniversary of the Kigali Amendment**.

Ten years ago, here in Kigali, the Parties took a historic decision to phase-down the use of HFCs. With this decision, the Montreal Protocol became not only the most successful agreement for protecting the ozone layer, but also a strong tool for climate action.

Ladies and Gentlemen,

The climate crisis is not a problem of the future. It is one of the most urgent problems of our time, and it affects all of us. We must respond to it together.

With this understanding, Türkiye is working hard to meet all its responsibilities in a fair, inclusive and transparent way.

We have announced our **2053 Net Zero Emissions target** and our **Long-Term Climate Strategy**. We have adopted our first **Climate Law**. We have also finalized our

third Nationally Determined Contribution (NDC 3.0). It covers all sectors, including F-gases and ozone-depleting substances.

Türkiye remains fully committed to the **Montreal Protocol** and the **Kigali Amendment**. We continue to improve our laws and our institutions. We work to manage refrigerants from start to end, to train our technicians, and to promote energy-efficient and climate-friendly cooling.

Ladies and Gentlemen,

In just a few days, Türkiye will host **COP31 in Antalya**. As the incoming COP31 Presidency, we will bring the spirit of cooperation of the Montreal Protocol to the global climate process.

Our vision is clear: **Dialogue**. **Consensus**. **Action**.

Dialogue builds trust. Consensus strengthens our shared responsibility. And action turns our commitments into real results for people and the planet.

Today, climate action must focus not only on higher targets, but also on implementation. For this reason, COP31 is designed as the "COP of the Future". It will focus on action, strong partnerships and practical results for everyone.

The Montreal Protocol will also have its place in Antalya. Together with our partners, we will show how sustainable cooling can support climate action.

We look forward to welcoming you all in Antalya.

Distinguished Delegates,

Ten years ago, Kigali showed the world what we can achieve when we work together. Let us keep this spirit alive. Let us continue to protect the ozone layer, combat climate change and build a better future for the next generations.

Thank you.