

COMMENTS OF COLOMBIA AT THE

FOURTH OPEN-ENDED INFORMAL CONSULTATIVE MEETING

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As we have expressed in the past, we wish to thank both co-chairs and the Secretariat for conducting this consultative process. Specifically in relation with section C containing the *Guiding Principles*, we wish to make various proposals:

- Firstly, we find that a *guiding principle* related to *Adaptation to Climate Change* must be included.
- Considering the need to have a prospective approach in this new framework, we consider it essential to integrate the following principles:
 - The treatment of technological threats must be included, and in that respect, a
 principle of shared responsibility between the private and public sector must be
 applied.
 - 2. The importance of local and territorial Disaster Risk Reduction management must be highlighted, since the prevention of new risk accumulation necessarily implies an adequate and sustainable usage, occupation and transformation of the territory.
 - 3. The availability and access to risk knowledge and information processes must guarantee transparent transactions that allow for decision making by public and private actors in the domains of insurance, investment projects and risk transference.
- Also, we would like to highlight the principle c) which includes the dimension of Disaster risk
 management as an essential component of governance at local, national, regional and
 global levels. This is achieved through the formulation of normative frameworks that
 regulate such processes.

Having no further comments on this section, we thank you.