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ORAL REPORT FOR THE SIDS FORUM

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Presentation of Key Recommendations and Commitments

1. The OACPS SIDS Forum was held on 26 March 2026, in Malabo, Equatorial Guinea, under the theme: "Positioning SIDS at the Centre of the Global Climate and Development Agenda".
2. The Forum considered the following themes:
 - i. Scaling Climate Finance for SIDS**
 - ii. Advancing Climate Justice, including leveraging the ICJ Advisory Opinion**
 - iii. Resilience Building and Climate Adaptation for SIDS**
3. The Forum concluded by presenting key recommendations to inform the Summit Declaration, including:
 - a. Activities to ensure that the knowledge and lessons learnt from the implementation of the Bridgetown Initiative on debt-for-climate swaps are shared and disseminated across Members of the OACPS;
 - b. Continuation of activities to advance access to and unlock climate finance and resilience-building measures, including the development of tools to calculate the climate-induced cost of losses and damages to member states that can be used during negotiations with international;
 - c. The continuation of technical support through initiatives such as the Intra-ACP Support Programme for OACPS SIDS, including the development and dissemination of knowledge products on climate finance and resilience to support Member States in international negotiations and investment mobilisation;
 - d. The need to enhance South-South and intra-OACPS cooperation, including knowledge-sharing, capacity-building, and the exchange of best practices among Member States;
 - e. Recognises that consultations are in process on the terms of reference to operationalise the OACPS Climate Justice and Ecosystem Protection Task Force that was established by the 8th OACPS Ministerial Meeting on Oceans and Fisheries held in Dar es Salaam, Tanzania, in September 2024.
 - f. This Task Force is to leverage the collective strengths of the OACPS to ensure the Advisory Opinion informs and complements other multilateral processes, while further advancing climate justice by exploring and, where appropriate, pursuing legal pathways, strengthening our collective voice, and building influence in multilateral negotiations;

- g. Support for the OACPS' continued call for international climate justice through its submission to the African Court on Human and Peoples' Rights in March 2026;
- h. That the leadership and contribution of OACPS Youth in support of climate action must be recognised, and that the energy and commitment of OACPS Youth should be fully engaged in the fight against climate change.