Chair’s Report of the Subcommittee of the Committee of Permanent Representatives

1. Since the 142nd meeting of Committee of Permanent Representatives, held on 10 May 2018, there have been six meetings. Four Subcommittee meetings were held on 24 May 2018, 14 June 2018, 26 June 2018 and 20 September 2018. One briefing session was held on 22 May 2018 and an orientation for new members of the Committee of Permanent Representatives on 25 September 2018.

2. The Sub Committee focused on the implementation of paragraph 88 (a)-(h) of the outcome document of the United Nations Conference on Sustainable Development, entitled “The future we want”, private sector engagement, preparations for the fifth annual meeting of the Subcommittee of the Committee of Permanent Representatives, development of the Programme of Work and Budget of 2020-2021, the Concept note of the theme of the fourth session of the UN Environment Assembly, Biennial Evaluation Synthesis Report 2016-2017, UN Environment Programme’s resource mobilization strategy, UN Environment Programme’s work on Environmental Statistics & Accounting, the Ozone Action Team and the Global Landscapes Forum.

3. There was a Secretariat organized briefing on the Carnegie Climate Geoengineering Governance Initiative.

4. During this past period, the Secretariat developed a concept note on the theme of the 2019 UN Environment Assembly and received comments and inputs from member States and Stakeholders, to which the joint Bureaux of the UN Environment Assembly and of the Committee of Permanent Representatives welcomed its content as revised by the Secretariat on 3 September 2018.

5. Through these meetings, the Sub-Committee made progress in the development of UN Environment’s Programme of Work and Budget 2020-2021. The Sub-Committee also helped enhance the UN Environment Assembly’s visibility through contributing inputs to the President of the UN Environment Assembly’s address to High-Level Political Forum.