

**Statement by Mr. Zerubabel Tefera, Deputy
Permanent Representative of Ethiopia on behalf of
the Chairperson of the Group of 77 Chapter in
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On behalf of the Chairperson of the Group of 77 and China of the Nairobi Chapter, I would like to thank the secretariat for the compelling presentations on the progress in the Clean Seas Campaign on marine litter and on 2018 World Environment Day celebrations.

Mr. Chair,

I would also use this opportunity to congratulate the Government of India for hosting this year's World Environment Day. In this regard, I would like to encourage all members of the Group of 77 and China to embrace the theme for 2018 World Environment Day and celebrate the day while taking the best lessons from the best practices in the world such as the tiny State of Sikkim in India.

I thank you!