Second Joint Preparatory Retreat of the Bureaux
of the UN Environment Assembly and the Committee of Permanent Representatives
9 to 10 June 2017
Hotel Villa Caletas (Pacifico Central)
Puntarenas, Costa Rica
Agenda item 3

Note by the Secretariat on the Agenda and Structure of the
third meeting of the Open-ended Committee of Permanent
Representatives

The Secretariat is pleased to present for members consideration the agenda and structure of
the third meeting of the Open-ended Committee of Permanent Representatives, which will
take place on 29 November to 1 December 2017. It will support discussion under Agenda
item 3: Preparations for the Open-ended Committee of Permanent Representatives and
Committee of the Whole, at the Second Joint Preparatory Retreat of the bureaux of the UN
Environment Assembly and the Committee of Permanent Representatives, to be held on 9 to
10 June 2017.

Members of both bureaux are invited to provide comments to the Secretariat on the proposed
agenda and structure.

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United Nations Environment Assembly of the United Nations Environment Programme

Open-ended Committee of Permanent Representatives to the United Nations Environment Programme
Third meeting
Nairobi, 29 November – 1 December 2017

Provisional agenda for the third meeting of the Open-ended Committee of Permanent Representatives

1. Opening of the meeting and adoption of the agenda
2. Adoption of the minutes of the 140th meeting of the Committee of Permanent Representatives held on 10 October 2017.
3. Organization of work of the third meeting of the Open-Ended Committee of Permanent Representatives.
4. Budget and Programme Performance, including implementation of the Assembly’s resolutions.
5. Administrative and budgetary matters.
8. Preparation of draft resolutions for transmission to the third session of United Nations Environment Assembly.
9. Other matters.
10. Closure of the meeting.
Annotated provisional agenda of the third meeting of the Open-ended Committee of Permanent Representatives

1. Opening of the meeting and adoption of the agenda

H.E. Mr. John Moreti, Chair of the Committee of Permanent Representatives, High Commissioner and Permanent Representative of Botswana, is expected to open the meeting at 10:00 a.m. on Wednesday, 29 November 2017. He will propose the adoption of the provisional agenda as set out in UNEP/OECPR.3/1.

2. Adoption of the minutes of the 140th meeting of the Committee of Permanent Representatives held on 10 October 2017.

The Chair will propose the adoption of the minutes of the 140th meeting of the Committee of Permanent Representatives, as set out in UNEP/OECPR.3/2.

3. Organization of the work of the third meeting of the Open-Ended Committee of Permanent Representatives.

Under this agenda item, the meeting will discuss the organization of its work. It is expected to establish two working groups for the finalization of resolutions. The plenary may take early decision on resolutions that do not require discussion in a working group.

4. Budget and Programme Performance, including implementation of the Assembly’s resolutions.

The Chair will invite the meeting to consider the following updates of the Executive Director, which have been prepared in response to the various decisions and resolutions of the previous sessions of the Environment Assembly:

1) Progress on the contribution of the UN Environment to the implementation of the delivering the 2030 Agenda for Sustainable Development (EA.2/Res.5)

2) Update on progress made pursuant to the Assembly resolution on the role and functions of regional forums of ministers of the environment and environment authorities (EA.2/Res.2)

3) Update on progress to the Assembly resolution on investing in human capacity for sustainable development through environmental education and training (EA.2/Res.3)

4) Update on progress made pursuant to the Assembly resolutions on the role, functions and modalities for UN Environment implementation of the SAMOA Pathway as a mean of facilitating achievements of the Sustainable Development Goals (EA.2/Res.4)
5. Update in progress made pursuant to the Assembly resolution on the support to the implementation of the Paris Agreement (EA.2/Res.6)

6. Update on progress made pursuant to the Assembly Resolution on sound management of chemicals and waste (EA.2/Res.7)

7. Update on the implementation of United Nations Environment Assembly resolution on sustainable consumption and production (EA.2/Res.8)

8. Update on progress made pursuant to the Assembly Resolution on the prevention, reduction and reuse of food waste (EA.2/Res.9)


10. Update on progress made pursuant to the Assembly Resolutions on marine plastic litter and micro plastics (EA.2/Res.11)

11. Update on progress made pursuant to the Assembly Resolutions on sustainable coral reefs management (EA.2/Res.12)

12. Update on progress made pursuant to the Assembly Resolution on illegal trade in wildlife and wildlife products (EA.2/Res.14)

13. Update on progress made pursuant to the Assembly Resolution on the protection of the environment in areas affected by armed conflict (EA.2/Res.15)

14. Update on progress to the Assembly Resolution on enhancing the work of United Nations Environment in facilitating cooperation, collaboration and synergies among biodiversity related conventions (EA.2/Res.17)

15. Update on progress made pursuant to the Assembly Resolution on the relationship between the United Nations Environment and the multilateral agreements for which it provides the secretariat (EA.2/Res.18)


5. Administrative and budgetary issues.

The meeting may consider other relevant administrative and budgetary matters on the basis of a presentation by the Secretariat.


The meeting is expected to consider the progress report of the Executive Director on the Sixth Edition on the Global Environment Outlook.


The President of the United Nations Environment Assembly, H.E. Mr. Edgar Gutiérrez Espeleta, Minister of Environment and Energy of Costa Rica, is expected to update the Committee on the status of consultations on the Ministerial Declaration.

8. Preparation of draft resolutions for transmission to the third session of United Nations Environment Assembly.

The meeting will have before it a compilation of draft resolutions and decisions, which have been proposed by Member States for consideration and adoption at the third session of the United Nations Environment Assembly. During the organization of work of the meeting under the Agenda Item 3, these resolutions may be allocated to different working groups for negotiation. The compilation will be updated after the third meeting of the Open-Ended Committee of Permanent Representatives and transmitted to third Session of the United Nations Environment Assembly.

9. Other matters.

The meeting will consider any other matters related to its work.

10. Closure of the meeting.
The meeting is expected to endorse a Chair’s summary of the meeting and conclude its work by 6:00p.m.on Friday, 1 December 2017.
# Proposed structure of the third meeting of the Open-ended Committee of Permanent Representatives

## Wednesday 29 November 2017
- **9:00 – 10:00**: Regional Groups Meetings
- **10:00 – 11:00**: Opening Plenary
  - **Agenda item 1**: Opening of the meeting and adoption of the agenda
  - **Agenda item 2**: Adoption of minutes of the 140th meeting
  - **Agenda item 3**: Organization of work*
  - **Venue**: TBD ACEFRS
- **11:00 – 12:30**: Plenary
  - **Agenda item 4**: Budget and Programme Performance, including implementation of the Assembly’s resolutions
  - **Venue**: TBD ACEFRS
- **12:30 – 14:30**: LUNCH BREAK
- **15:00 – 18:00**: Plenary
  - **Agenda item 4**: Continues
  - **Agenda item 7**: Report on consultations on the Ministerial Declaration
  - **Venue**: TBD ACEFRS

## Thursday 30 November 2017
- **9:00 – 10:00**: Regional Groups Meetings
- **10:00 – 11:00**: Plenary
  - **Agenda item 5**: Report from WGs and action on draft resolutions
  - **Agenda item 6**: Administrative and budgetary issues
  - **Venue**: TBD ACEFRS
- **11:00 – 12:30**: Working Group One
  - **Draft resolutions E**
- **12:30 – 14:30**: LUNCH BREAK
- **15:00 – 18:00**: Working Group Two
  - **Draft resolutions E**

## Friday 1 December 2017
- **9:00 – 10:00**: Regional Groups Meetings
- **10:00 – 11:00**: Plenary
  - **Agenda item 8**: Preparation of draft resolutions
  - **Venue**: TBD ACEFRS
- **11:00 – 12:30**: Working Group One
  - **Draft resolutions E**
- **12:30 – 14:30**: LUNCH BREAK
- **15:00 – 18:00**: Working Group Two
  - **Draft resolutions E**

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**ACEFRS**: Refers to official languages of the United Nations Arabic, Chinese, English, French, Russian and Spanish

* : Including allocation of draft resolutions to working groups