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

1. Since the 143rd meeting of Committee of Permanent Representatives, held on 28 September 2018, there have been seven meetings. Five Subcommittee meetings were held on 4 October 2018, 8 November 2018, 22 November 2018, 29 November 2018 and 11 November 2018. One briefing session was held on 4 December 2018, and the 5th Annual Sub-Committee of Permanent Representatives took place from 22 to 26 October 2018.

2. The Sub Committee considered, in particular:
   a. preparations for the fourth session of the UN Environment Assembly and the Open-Ended meeting of the Committee of Permanent Representatives;
   b. the development of the Programme of Work and Budget of 2020-2021;
   c. the development of the sixth Global Environment Outlook;
   d. implementation of General Assembly resolution 72/277 ‘Towards a Global Pact for the Environment’
   e. the development of an Implementation Plan ‘Towards a pollution-free planet’ as mandated by the third session of the Environment Assembly
   f. the development of a revised UN Environment Programme marine and coastal strategy
   g. South-South cooperation, including with regard to the Green coalition on the Belt and Road Initiative and the facilitation of the establishment of a China-Africa Environment Cooperation Centre;
   h. work on life cycle approaches under UN Environment Programme.

3. In addition, the Secretariat organized a dedicated briefing on the key messages in the Emissions Gap Report.

4. Through the above-mentioned meetings, the Sub-Committee made notable progress in preparation for the fourth session of the UN Environment Assembly, including with regard to the tabling of draft resolutions and on multi-stakeholder events, as well as on the development of a new Programme of Work and Budget for 2020-2021 and on the Implementation Plan on Pollution.