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**Resolution adopted by the United Nations Environment
Assembly on 15 March 2019**

**4/22. Implementation and follow-up of United Nations Environment Assembly
resolutions**

The United Nations Environment Assembly,

Recognizing that coordinated implementation and follow-up of resolutions can contribute to the achievement of the environmental dimensions of the Sustainable Development Goals in a balanced manner,

Aware that the implementation of its resolutions is a responsibility of the United Nations Environment Programme and of Member States, and that the Programme and Member States should therefore take active steps to implement such resolutions,

Aware also of the need for Member States and other partners to continue to support, according to their ability to do so, the implementation of its resolutions,

Mindful of the importance of the increased participation of Member States, and developing countries and least developed countries in particular, in its work,

Noting the need to better align its resolutions with the programme of work and budget and to take concrete action to address issues and concerns, including resource constraints that may hamper the implementation of its resolutions,

1. *Affirms* the importance of the implementation of, and adequate reporting on, its resolutions;
2. *Encourages* Member States and other actors to continue to provide support, according to their capacity, with a view to advancing the implementation of its resolutions;
3. *Requests* the Executive Director of the United Nations Environment Programme to develop a monitoring mechanism, in consultation with the Committee of Permanent Representatives, to track and assess the implementation of Environment Assembly resolutions by the Programme in the framework of the programme of work and budget;
4. *Requests* that the monitoring mechanism:
 - (a) Build on and improve existing formats for reporting and monitoring;
 - (b) Provide an inventory and a brief summary of the implementation of Environment Assembly resolutions via a dedicated website;

- (c) Identify linkages between each resolution and the programme of work and budget;
- (d) Provide links to existing reports related to Environment Assembly resolutions;
- (e) Provide the opportunity for Member States to report voluntarily on national implementation efforts;
- (f) Summarize specific challenges that have hindered implementation efforts, including those of Member States, using available information, including existing national voluntary reports and United Nations Environment Programme reports;

5. *Requests* the Executive Director of the United Nations Environment Programme to propose to the Committee of Permanent Representatives at its 146th meeting options for an improved framework for **reporting** on the implementation of Environment Assembly resolutions, to be integrated with reporting on the programme of work and budget;

6. *Also requests* the Executive Director to report on the implementation of the present resolution to the Environment Assembly at its fifth session.
