Virtual Preparatory Meeting Ad hoc open-ended expert group on marine litter and microplastics 20-22 October 2020, 13:00 to 15.00 and 15.30-17.30 (GMT+3)

PROVISIONAL AGENDA

- 1. Opening of the meeting.
- 2. Adoption of the agenda
- 3. Consideration of paragraph 7d) of the United Nations Environment Assembly resolution 4/6 entitled marine plastic litter and microplastics: Analysis of the effectiveness of existing and potential response options and activities (subparagraph 7d).
- 4. Update from the first virtual preparatory meeting and regional consultations.
- 5. Consideration of submissions on potential response options pursuant to paragraph 10 d) of United Nations Environment Assembly resolution 3/7 on marine litter and microplastics.
- 6. Outline of a draft summary on identification of options in preparation for the fifth session of the United Nations Environment Assembly
- 7. Other matters
- 8. Closure of the meeting

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PROVISIONAL ANNOTATED AGENDA

1. Opening of the meeting.

The Acting Chair of the Bureau, Mr. Satoru Iino Deputy Director, Office of the Marine Environment, Environmental Management Bureau, Ministry of the Environment of Japan will open the meeting.

2. Adoption of agenda

The Acting Chair will introduce the provisional agenda for the meeting and invite participants to adopt it.

3. Consideration of paragraph 7d) of the United Nations Environment Assembly resolution 4/6 entitled marine plastic litter and microplastics: Analysis of the effectiveness of existing and potential response options and activities (subparagraph 7d).

The Secretariat will be invited to provide an update on the work on analysis of the effectiveness of existing and potential response options and activities (subparagraph 7d). Following the presentations, the Acting Chair of the Bureau will open the floor for participants to discuss and address technical aspects of this work.

Relevant documents: UNEP/AHEG/4/4 and UNEP/AHEG/4/INF9

4. Update from the first virtual preparatory meeting and regional consultations.

- **a)** Regional consultations: The host countries of the regional meetings will be invited to provide a summary of discussions.
- b) Virtual preparatory meeting: The Secretariat will be invited to provide an update

Relevant documents: Individual reports from the regional consultations and from the two virtual preparatory meetings.

5. Consideration of submissions on potential response options pursuant to paragraph 10 (d) of United Nations Environment Assembly resolution 3/7 on marine litter and microplastics.

The Secretariat will be invited to provide an update on the work on analysis of the effectiveness of existing and potential response options and activities (subparagraph 7d). Following the presentations, the Acting Chair of the Bureau will open the floor for participants to discuss and address technical aspects of this work.

Relevant documents: UNEP/AHEG/4/4 and UNEP/AHEG/4/INF9

6. Outline of a draft summary on identification of options in preparation for the fifth session of the United Nations Environment Assembly

The Acting Chair will provide a summary list of potential options in preparation for the fifth session of the United Nations Environment Assembly. Following the presentations, the Acting Chair of the Bureau will open the floor for participants to discuss.

7. Other matters

The ad hoc open-ended expert group may wish to consider any other matters related to its work.

8. Closing of the Meeting.

The meeting is expected to close 22 October at 17:30 (GMT+3).

Note: A meeting summary including a synthesis of discussion during the online preparatory meeting will be produced to inform participants at the online AHEG-4 meeting.