

OECPR – Argentina Statement on UNEA Presidency Message Proposal

Mr. Chair:

As a general consideration Argentina was not in the idea to move forward with a political message taking into account that the online UNEA meeting will not deal with substantive issues and there is no negotiation channel for it.

As a sign of flexibility we have engage constructively, making clear that this outcome will not be legally binding for the States Parties and the Message does not generate precedents for the substantive negotiations that will take place at the resume session of UNEA in 2022, and other multilateral fora.

We have seen that these considerations have been taken into account in the document and letter circulated last 10th of February.

Regarding the paragraphs of the message, we would have like to see included our proposal that mentions that the principle of common but differentiated responsibilities and the provision of means of implementation to developing countries are especially important, in the context of the devastating global effects of the COVID-19 pandemic.

Mr. Chair,

We request that these considerations be duly reflected in the minutes of the meeting.

Thank you.