

## **Statement by Chair of Asia Pacific**

### **Distinguished Guests Ladies and Gentlemen**

I would like to congratulate UNON and UNEP for holding the 8<sup>th</sup> Annual Subcommittee meeting in hybrid format. I hope that the process will provide strong basis for further in person meetings on the UN compound.

### **Distinguished Delegates**

I know that 8<sup>th</sup> Annual subcommittee has a very heavy agenda which not only includes process for conclusion of UNEA-5 with the hosting of UNEA-5.2 but also initiating processes for the special session of UNEA @ 50 next year.

### **Distinguished Guests**

Asia Pacific Regions also supports the UNEA at 50 initiative and will be participating in making the process inclusive and result-oriented for successful UNEP @ 50 special session.

### **Distinguished Ladies and Gentlemen**

The identification of the possible outcome of UNEA 5.2 and initiating process for finalizing the same will help to further the agenda of UNEP and UNEP-5.2 will emerge as another milestone in developing a sustainable process for the decade of eco system restoration. I assure you that Asia Pacific Region supports the initiative taken by UNEP for successful conclusion of UNEA-5 and will provide necessary support and feedback on the issues of discussion in the coming days.

In the end, I would like to again thank you UNON and UNEP for welcoming us on the premises of UNON.

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