

**Statement of Algeria**  
**CPR Subcommittee meeting**  
**17 March 2022**

- Thank you Madam Chair for giving me the floor. Good afternoon to you and all colleagues.
- We would like to thank the Secretariat for organizing this Subcommittee meeting dedicated to the contribution of UNEA to the 2022 High Level Political Forum on sustainable development.
- While aligning with the statement of the African Group delivered by the Dean, His Excellency the Ambassador of the South Sudan, we would like to make some specific remarks in our national capacity.
- We believe UNEA contribution to the HLPF is a matter of great importance in as much as it brings Nairobi's perspective to the relevant global discussions, and this could be confirmed when referring to the UNEA 5 and UNEP@50 themes, I read: "Strengthening Actions for Nature to Achieve the Sustainable Development Goals" and "UNEP@50: Strengthening UNEP for the implementation of the environmental dimension of the 2030 Agenda for Sustainable Development".
- We take note, after an initial reading of the draft Secretariat contribution, to see among others, references to some of the recent UNEA sessions outcomes as the Ministerial declaration and the resolution on plastic pollution. However, we feel that the document could have been better contextualized in light of relevant thematic resolutions adopted at this occasion.
- We have also noticed the absence of any reference to the environmental challenge of desertification in the text and we are convinced that it has its place at the same level as of other mentioned crisis. Livelihoods of millions of peoples and economies of several countries are threatened by the major environmental challenge of desertification.
- Finally, our delegation is of the view that UNEA contribution to the HLPF will not be complete in the absence of a reference to, inter alia, the principle of CBDR, the issue of means of implementation and the transfer of technology as a critical part of the solutions proposed.

Thank you, Madam Chair.