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Madam Chair, Member States,  
major groups and stakeholders,

Thank you madam chair for the Floor.

My name is Judy from Kenya. I am talking on behalf of the children & youth major group of UNEP taking the floor to provide comments on the draft.

We are delighted to take the floor after our continued engagement in the Negotiations in OECPR, UNEA and UNEP@50 earlier this month.

First, we recommend that the UNEA contribution advocates for inclusion of environmental rule of Law in the HLPF outcome, building on the UNEP@50 political declaration and the work under the Montevideo Programme

Second, we highlight that the Stockholm+50 International Meeting would have concluded before the HLPF. Given the complementary nature of UNEP@50 and Stockholm+50, we request that content about Stockholm+50 be reflected in the document prepared by the secretariat

Third, we welcome and appreciate the two references made to youth and future generations in the current draft. It is important that all intergovernmental processes recognise intergenerational equity and the role of children and youth in environmental action

Fouth, the transformatative education is crucial for the behavioral change, not only for the youth and children, but at all levels, including formal and informal education, so that everyone can be involved at all levels, including individual, community, and international.

Fifth, we stress the need to make commitments that are action oriented apart from expression concerning the triple planetary crisis and this requires implementation of agreed instruments and recognising the need for effective implementation is essential

Sixth, on the second last para of the draft, on strengthening cooperation and partnerships to transition to sustainable food systems, we highlight the need for continued engagement with grassroots farmers, civil society, Major Groups, and all stakeholders apart from engagement with local actors and the private sector. We request that this be reflected in the contributions by the secretariat

Finally, this HLPF is happening in the lead-up to the UN social summit and mid point review of the 2030 agenda. Given the role of UNEA in addressing environmental dimension of the UN's work, member states should take into consideration and broader thinking of how the UNEA can be better positioned and guide the work of the UN system on this and emerging issues

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