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**158th session of the Committee of Permanent Representatives, 26 May 2022 Statement delivered by Ms Siham Mourabit, Deputy Permanent Representative and Deputy Head of Mission of The Kingdom of Morocco**

**Statement of Morocco on Agenda Item 5:**

**Assessment and lessons learned from UNEA-5.2 and UNEP@50.**

Thank you M.Chair for giving my delegation the floor again to speak on item agenda 5.

My delegation would like to thank the secretariat, and particularly Mr Ulf, for the tremendous efforts made in revisiting this document, on assessments and lessons learned, and updating it with the necessary requested inclusions of all the observations made by the different delegations as expressed in previous meetings of the subcommittee.

The assessment on the conduct of our work and of the outcomes of the past UNEA5.2 and UNEP@50 was needful and useful as it will allow us, member states, and the secretariat to better engage in the work of UNEA6, under the Kingdom of Morocco Presidency. Our assessment has allowed to identify the shortcomings and pitfalls that have been experienced during the past session thus, allowing us to improve the quality of our work;

My delegation has, during the previous 2 past subcommittee meetings those 11<sup>th</sup> of April and of 5<sup>th</sup> of May 2022, engaged actively in the discussions on the initial version of the draft document, where it had expressed its concerns based on the experience that the Moroccan delegation had during UNEA5.2, which were also shared by many other delegations, and is thankful to the secretariat for reflecting them in the document before us.

**My delegation would like, therefore to seize this occasion to, particularly, underline the followings:**

1. the recommendation to making full use of the intersessional time between the annual subcommittee meeting of the CPR and the open ended meeting of the CPR to allow for a full-fledged consultation on the future outcomes for the UNEA6;
2. the recommendation not to repeat the scenario of having simultaneous or parallel meetings for the negotiation of the draft resolutions during the OEWG so as all delegations can attend and participate to the negotiation exercise.; we need to stick to The CPR review recommendation to avoid holding more than 2 parallel sessions, and that resolutions have to be submitted at least 10 weeks in advance and be announced 12 weeks prior;

3. As lessons learned, my delegation is of the view that this time there's a need for members of the CPR to think of lowering the number of draft resolutions, while consolidating proposals to avoid duplication of work and the difficulties encountered during the last Assembly. **Aiming for a qualitative result of UNEA is better than focusing on the quantitative aspect of it;**
- Also, my delegation welcomes the **hybridity format to be kept for all the meetings preparing for UNEA-6, those of the CPR and subcommittees as well as during the 6<sup>th</sup> Assembly. Despite the financial implications that this may cost, Hybridity guarantees** broader participation, inclusiveness, and also helped small missions, and capitals who couldn't come, to attend remotely several meetings including during the preparations of UNEA. This of course means that in person meeting is the traditional format that cannot be discussed when it comes to negotiating substantial matters and where human physical interactions are indispensable;
  - My delegation thanks also the secretariat for taking on board the important issue of the availability of translated draft resolutions and all draft outcome documents on all UN languages to facilitate the work at the level of capitals in engaging in the discussion and consideration of the aforementioned documents. This will **enable all member states to take part fully and equally to the whole process.**
  - And as a final observation, and while my delegation is looking forward to the first OEWG on plastics, which will take place in Dakar, Senegal, to prepare for the INC to start negotiation on a legally binding instrument, it also considers important to underline the necessity of taking measures to start in the implementation of all the resolutions adopted.

Finally, my delegation is giving its full support to the document in its actual version and hopes that this 158<sup>th</sup> meeting of the CPR **will be able to endorse it today, particularly that the recommendations contained herein focus on the real challenges experienced last time.**

An endorsement of this document, today, will enable us to start the preparations for the next round, that of the work under UNEA6 Presidency.

**I thank you.**