



**9<sup>th</sup> Annual Subcommittee Meeting  
of the Committee of Permanent Representatives of UNEP**

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**Intervention delivered by H.E. Mrs Selma Malika HADDADI  
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to UNEP and UN-Habitat**

**Agenda item 1: Opening of the meeting by the Chair of the Committee of  
Permanent Representatives**

**Mr. Chair,  
Excellencies,  
Madam Executive Director,  
Dear colleagues,**

My delegation aligns itself with the statements delivered on behalf of the G77 and China and on behalf of the African Group.

At the outset, let me thank you Mr. Chair, as well as Madam Executive Director and the UNEP Secretariat for the joint efforts aiming to prepare this important meeting, as it constitutes the first Annual Subcommittee Meeting following our UNEA 5.2 and UNEP@50. My delegation also appreciates the timely distribution of the working documents and the food for thought they provide to the Committee of Permanent representatives.

Our today's gathering is the result of the Governing Council decision 27/2 entitled: "Implementation of paragraph 88 of the outcome document of the United Nations Conference on Sustainable development" with the mandate to review the MTS, the Programme of work and budget as well as to oversee their implementation and accountability by the Secretariat.

This decision reaffirms the commitment to strengthen the role of UNEP as the leading global environmental authority that sets the global environmental agenda and this is urgent more than ever before. Indeed, our planet is not anymore threatened by a triple planetary crisis but multiple crisis of climate change, biodiversity loss, pollution, desertification, land degradation, drought, floods and water scarcity to mention only few of these challenges. It is important to leave no country or no region behind from the global environmental agenda. This is why we appeal to adapt our narrative.

The environmental dimension of the Sustainable development is a matter of great importance as it affects the world's population, especially from developing countries where, unfortunately, we still witness barriers to development such as poverty, hunger, health issues and lack of access to science and innovation.

We agreed on a future that we want since the adoption of the Rio declaration on environment and development, in 1992, and the Common but differentiated responsibilities principle should be kept as a watermark when implementing our commitments for a better world.

**Mr. Chair,**

Algeria would like to congratulate UNEP for the progress made in the implementation of the several subprograms and the environmental agenda within the context of the United Nations Reform and the 2030 Agenda. However, we believe UNEP has to contribute further in the work of the UN Country Teams and UN Resident Coordinators, not only to address biodiversity and pollution in the Cooperation Frameworks but also, among others, desertification and land degradation.

On the implementation of the 2022-2023 Programme of work and budget, we still believe that developing countries, which are exerting tremendous efforts towards environment, must further benefit of means of implementation, capacity building and technology transfer to reach the Sustainable development goals.

While my delegation welcomes the Monitoring and Reporting Portal which encompass all the adopted UNEA resolutions and decisions, Ministerial declarations as well as their implementation, it would be more practical and useful to organize the Portal by sections, for instance from UNEA 1 to 5 and Special Sessions.

Regarding the implementation of UNEA 5.2 outcomes, Algeria reiterates its call to the equal footing of the 14 adopted resolutions including those submitted by developing countries. We call on UNEP Secretariat to find innovative solutions for resource mobilization towards the achievement of progress on environmental challenges.

**Mr. Chair,**

Algeria is looking forward the exchange of views during the week ahead and is ready to contribute to our debate in a constructive manner with the different delegations. I wish all of us a fruitful meeting.

I thank you.