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- 1. Thank Madam ED for her important remarks. It is heartening to hear the assurance from the ED, that all resolutions are treated equal, and there is no prioritization on certain resolutions over other resolutions.
 - → We kindly request that this assurance can be reflected and implemented at all levels of the Secretariat, including in all communication materials.
- 2. Thank Mr. Tim Kasten for the presentation of the Portal.
 - ightarrow Initially our delegation had difficulty to access the portal, but we have received assistance from colleague from the Secretariat.
 - → We appreciate the richness of content made available in the Portal. It really helps Member States to find necessary information, including on status of implementation of resolutions.
- 3. On technical notes of draft resolution, our delegation found it very useful to assist the process of negotiation, especially on:
 - Connection of the draft resolution to UNEP POW and MTS
 - Connection of the draft resolution to previous relevant UNEA resolutions
 - Connection of the draft resolution to SDG targets, as well as other broader global initiatives.
- 4. However, our delegation is of the view that the technical notes **should not** include budget estimates, for the following reasons:
 - Rule 31 paragraph 2 of UNEA Rules of Procedure states that "The United Nations Environment Assembly shall take into account the estimates referred to in paragraph 1 <u>before adopting any proposal involving expenditure</u> from United Nations funds including the resources of the Fund of the United Nations Environment Programme......"
 - Presenting a budget estimate before the draft resolution even being negotiated is not only (i) deviates from the existing Rules of Procedure, it will also (ii) provide a false sense of certainty.
 - → Because in the negotiation process, the content of the draft resolution may differ from the initial draft, and consequently it may not be consistent with the budget estimates presented in the technical notes.
 - → Recall in one of the evaluation sessions of UNEA 5.2, this issue was raised by some delegations, asking why the budget estimate of the adopted resolutions were different from the ones presented in the technical notes.

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