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Ministry of Energy Transition and
Sustainable Development

The Minister

Excellency,

I wish to refer to the United Nations Environment Assembly (UNEA) resolution 5/2 of 2 March 2022, entitled "Sustainable nitrogen management", in which the UNEA requested the Executive Director of the United Nations Environment Programme (UNEP), to invite Member States to nominate focal points to join the UNEP Working Group on Nitrogen which was established pursuant to the UNEA resolution 4/15 of 15 March 2019 also entitled "Sustainable nitrogen management".

In this regard, I wish to recall that the Executive Director of UNEP, in a letter dated 30 August 2022, addressed to the Ministers of Environment, invited expressions of interest from Member States to Co-Chair the Working Group on Nitrogen and informed that the appointment of the two Co-Chairs will be coordinated by the Chair of the Committee of Permanent Representatives, under the leadership of the President of the sixth session of the UNEA, taking into account the need for geographical balance and gender parity.

Further to the consultations led by the Chair of the Committee of Permanent Representatives, H. E. Mr. Pirkka Tapiola, Ambassador of Finland to Kenya and Permanent Representative to UNEP which has included consultations with myself, I have the pleasure to inform you that I have appointed Mr. Ved Prakash Mishra, Director, Hazardous Substance Management Division, Ministry of Environment, Forest and Climate Change of India, and Mr. Mihai Constantinescu, Institutional Coordinator, Ministry of Environment, Waters and Forests of Romania, as Co-Chairs of the Working Group on Nitrogen.

I would like to thank Ambassador Pirkka Tapiola for coordinating the process. I would also like to thank and congratulate Mr. Ved Prakash Mishra and Mr. Mihai Constantinescu for having accepted this very important responsibility. I trust that you will extend your full support and cooperation to them throughout the consultation process.

Please accept, Excellency, the assurances of my highest consideration.

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President of the United
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