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161st meeting of the Committee of Permanent Representatives to the United Nations Environment Programme

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Hybrid meeting

10:00 – 13:00 and 15:00 – 18:00 (GMT+3)

Chair's Report of the Subcommittee of the Committee of Permanent Representatives

1. Since the 160th meeting of Committee of Permanent Representatives (CPR), held on 8 December 2022 and 12 January 2023 (resumed meeting due to technical challenges on the original date), three meetings of the CPR subcommittee have taken place. Detailed meeting agendas, background documentation and meeting summaries are available on the respective meeting portal, with links provided below.
2. At the subcommittee meeting held on [13 December 2022](#) Member States considered an update by UNON on the Capital Development Projects planned for the UN compound in Gigiri, a briefing on the implementation of the UN-Decade on Ecosystem Restoration, a briefing on UNEP's work in the area of disasters and conflict, including an overview presentation on UNEP's engagement in the area of disasters and conflict, as well as a presentation of the key findings of the preliminary review of the environmental impacts of the conflict in Ukraine. On the same day, the subcommittee also held a consultation on the theme for the sixth session of the United Nations Environment Assembly (UNEA-6), under the leadership of the UNEA-6 Presidency.
3. At the subcommittee meeting held on [19 January 2023](#), Member States considered an overview briefing on preparations for the resumed first session of the ad hoc open-ended working group on a science-policy panel to contribute further to the sound management of chemicals and waste and to prevent pollution, an update on the

outcomes of the first session of the intergovernmental negotiating committee to develop an international legally binding instrument on plastic pollution, including in the marine environment (INC-1), and briefings on the outcomes of the 19th meeting of the Conference of the Parties to the Convention on International Trade in Endangered Species of Wild Fauna and Flora and of the 15th meeting of the Conference of the Parties to the Convention on Biological Diversity. The meeting also held consultations on the theme for UNEA-6, under the leadership of the UNEA-6 Presidency. Member States requested, *inter alia*, further updates on the status of the meeting summary from INC-1, on the INC budget, on an organigram for the INC Secretariat, and on possible intersessional activities under the INC.

At the subcommittee meeting held on [16 February 2023](#), Member States considered a briefing on the outcome from the 27th Conference of the Parties to the United Nations Framework Convention on Climate Change, a presentation of the 2022 UNEP Adaptation Gap Report, and held a consultation on the contribution of the United Nations Environment Assembly to the High-level Political Forum on Sustainable Development. Member States requested that future presentations on the findings of important UNEP reports be delivered at a date closer to the date of the official launch. The subcommittee requested the Secretariat to prepare a further revised version of the UNEA's contribution to the HLPF ensuring that the contribution remains within the theme of the HLPF and focuses clearly on the role of UNEP and on UNEA's contributions primarily; also requested Member States to submit sources/references for their written comments; and agreed that a further revised version would be circulated on 22 February 2023, for delegations to provide any further written comments, including sources of the language by 24 February 2023 and the final draft would be placed under a silence procedure from 28 February to 2 March 2023, for subsequent transmission to the President of the Economic and Social Council from the President of UNEA, upon the conclusion of the silence procedure.