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

1. Since the 161st meeting of Committee of Permanent Representatives (CPR), held on 9 March 2023, 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 23 March 2023, Member States considered a briefing on the preparation of the 7th Global Environment Outlook report, a presentation on the International Methane Emissions Observatory, and an introduction to the UNEP report “Bracing for Superbugs: Strengthening environmental action in the ‘One Health’ response to antimicrobial resistance”.

3. At the subcommittee meeting held on 27 April 2023, Member States considered a briefing on the outcomes of the United Nations 2023 Water Conference, a presentation on the outcomes of the Intergovernmental Conference on Marine Biodiversity of Areas Beyond National Jurisdiction, an introduction to the UNEP Solar Radiation Modification Report, a presentation on the outcomes of the resumed fourth meeting of the Intersessional Process for Considering the Strategic Approach to International Chemicals Management and preparations for the fifth session of the International Conference on Chemicals Management, and an update on the preparation of the 2023 World Environment Day. Member States requested, inter alia, for the involvement of children and youth in the...
planning of their events relating to the World Environment Day and noted the importance of education and awareness raising in this context.

4. At the subcommittee meeting held on 23 May 2023, Member States considered a briefing on the preparations for the second session of the Intergovernmental Negotiating Committee (INC) on plastic pollution, an introduction to UNEP’s work on strategic foresight and horizon scanning, a presentation on the UNEP Montevideo Environmental Programme, and a briefing on the recently launched UNEP spotlight publication on solutions to plastic pollution.