Committee of Permanent Representatives Subcommittee Meeting
Nairobi, 1 February 2024
9:00 – 13:00 and 14:00 – 18:00 (GMT+3)
Hybrid meeting
Conference Room 4 (in person)
and Microsoft Teams (online)

Draft Chair's Summary

Agenda item 1: Opening of the meeting and adoption of the agenda.

- 1. H.E. Mr. Gunnar Andreas Holm, Vice Chair of the Committee of Permanent Representatives, Ambassador and Permanent Representative of Norway to UNEP, opened the meeting.
- 2. The <u>agenda</u> was adopted without modifications.

Agenda item 2: In-depth cluster review of draft resolutions and decisions.

- 3. All draft resolutions and decisions, as well as an overview document outlining five clusters of the drafts, are made available online through the <u>UNEP resolution portal</u>.
- 4. The Chair invited the co-facilitators for clusters A and B, as appointed by the President of the United Nations Environment Assembly and the Chair of the Committee of Permanent Representatives, to lead an in-depth consultation of the following draft resolutions:

Cluster A

- Draft resolution on <u>global alliance on highly hazardous pesticides</u>, on behalf of Ethiopia and co-sponsored by Uruguay
- Draft resolution on sound management of chemicals and waste, on behalf of Switzerland
- Draft resolution on <u>promoting regional cooperation to improve air quality globally</u>, on behalf of the United States and Canada
- Draft resolution on combating sand and dust storms, on behalf of the Islamic Republic of Iran
- Draft resolution on solar radiation modification, on behalf of Guinea, Monaco, Senegal and Switzerland

Cluster B

- Draft resolution on <u>effective and inclusive solutions to strengthen water policies for sustainable development in the context of climate change, biodiversity loss and pollution, on behalf of the European Union and its Member States</u>
- Draft resolution on <u>strengthening international efforts to halt land degradation</u>, <u>restore degraded lands and increase ecosystem and communities drought resilience</u>, on behalf of Saudi Arabia
- Draft resolution on <u>criteria</u>, <u>norms</u>, <u>standards</u> and <u>guidelines</u> for the <u>implementation of nature-based solutions</u> for <u>supporting sustainable development</u>, on behalf of Cameroon and cosponsored by Algeria, Burkina Faso, Burundi, Cote d'Ivoire, Egypt, Ghana, Kenya, Malawi, Mauritius, Morocco, Namibia, Nigeria, São Tomé and Príncipe, Senegal, South Africa, South Sudan, Zimbabwe
- Draft resolution on sustainable management of cascade systems, on behalf of Sri Lanka
- Draft resolution on strengthening ocean and seas governance to tackle climate change, marine

biodiversity loss and pollution, on behalf of Costa Rica and the European Union

5. The Chair thanked the co-facilitators for their leadership and the delegations for their inputs on proposals, encouraging delegations to send their comments in writing to the Secretariat, or directly upload them to the resolution portal.

Agenda item 3: Other matters.

- 6. Delegations sought clarification regarding the process for submitting and announcing updated versions of draft resolutions.
- 7. The Secretariat reminded delegations that all revised drafts will be uploaded immediately on the UNEP resolution portal, and that all versions of the drafts are made available on the dedicated website for each draft resolution/decision, listed in the order they were submitted, also indicating the date of when it was uploaded. The list will also include the new versions edited by UNON, following clearance by the proponents. The Secretariat also encouraged delegations to download the UNEA-6 App, which, during the OECPR and UNEA/COW will send out notifications on new drafts as soon as they become available online, as well as changes in scheduling or room allocation for negotiations.

Agenda item 4: Closing of the meeting.

8. The meeting closed at 18:00 (GMT+3).