



**OPENING STATEMENT BY THE PERMANENT REPRESENTATIVE OF  
PERU TO UNEP DURING THE 11<sup>th</sup> ANNUAL MEETING OF THE  
SUBCOMMITTEE OF PERMANENT REPRESENTATIVES**

*Monday, 8 July 2024*

Thank you, Mr. Chairman,

Thank you, Madame Executive Director for your statement,

1. This being my first intervention as the new Permanent Representative of Peru to the UNEP, please receive my warm greetings.

Mr. Chairman

2. Peru supports the statements made by G-77 and China and GRULAC members.
3. Peru wants to reaffirm its commitment to UNEP, as it is a strategic ally at the global and regional level, especially in Latin America and the Caribbean region, to face environmental challenges, as well as those related to the triple global crisis that we have been facing: global warming, biodiversity loss and environmental pollution.
4. Peru wants to recognize the great job that UNEP does in generating scientific information to guide decision-making at the international and national levels in the face of the environmental challenges we face.

Mr. Chairman

5. Regarding the negotiation process of the international legally binding instrument on plastic pollution, particularly in the marine environment, Peru believes that collective and decisive action is required at the global level to ensure that this ambitious process culminates by the end of this year, as stated in Resolution 5/14.
6. We recognize the urgent need to take concrete steps to reduce the production of single-use plastics.
7. In that regard, Peru hopes that at the next session of INC-5, we will maintain a clear commitment to achieve an ambitious treaty to end plastic pollution that address the full life cycle of plastic.



8. Peru hopes also that in the next INC-5, we can take a decision on the KigaLima Initiative.

Mr. Chairman,

9. Finally, Peru wants to recognize that gender equality and the empowerment of women are fundamental to achieving sustainable and equitable development throughout the world. In that regard, we congratulate UNEP and its Executive Director for ensuring that all programmes and areas of work incorporate this approach. Even though, we need to do more and count on Peru for this effort.

Thanks.