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THE COMMITTEE OF PERMANENT REPRESENTATIVES OF THE UNITED
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NAIROBI, KENYA

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– ENVIRONMENT FROM UNITED REPUBLIC OF TANZANIA TO THE 11TH SUB
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INTRODUCTION

The Annual Subcommittee meeting of the Committee of Permanent Representatives of UNEP (CPR) is a meeting of Member States to discuss and review the implementation of UNEP's Programme of Work and Budget, and to provide guidance on UNEP's future priorities. The meeting held in Nairobi Kenya from 08 to 12 July, 2024 of which several agenda items were discussed. The following are the response of Tanzania in the agenda items.

Monday 8 July 2024

AGENDA ITEMS 1: *Opening of the meeting*

Statement attached separately to the email

AGENDA ITEMS 2: Adoption of the agenda.

- Tanzania align itself on the agenda of the meeting therefore support formal adoption of the agenda

AGENDA ITEMS 3: Implementation of the Programme of work and budget 2022-2023 of the United Nations Environment Programme.

Agenda item 3 (a): Review of UNEP Programme of Work implementation.

I thank you chair for giving me the floor

- My delegation applauds UNEP secretariat for the informative overview of the status of implementation of Program of Work and budget (PoW) 2022-2023. PoW highlights strategic objective and their linkage with UNEA resolutions and decisions in addressing triple planetary crisis (Climate Change, Biodiversity loss and Pollution) including the support provided to countries in tackling these challenges.
- We also appreciate the support provided by UNEP in addressing marine pollution through implementation of small-scale funding agreement on protecting the marine environment from land – based pollution in the United Republic of Tanzania. The program among others aimed to

strengthen global action on tackling marine pollution through development of Marine Litter Action Plan in the United Republic of Tanzania.

- Mr. chair let me take this opportunity to inform that, Tanzania has achieved the milestone in addressing triple planetary crisis. This has been revealed through implementation of Nationally Determined Contribution; review of National Biodiversity Strategy and Action Plan (NBSAP); formulating National Blue Economy Policy, formulating carbon trade regulations and guidelines that facilitated enrichment of Carbon market in the country; formulating a National Clean cooking Energy Strategy which aims to reduce overdependence of forest biomass, reduce human health risks and prevent land and forest degradation.
- My delegation calls upon more effort to be taken by UNEP in terms of capacity building and technical support in implementation of priority projects and programs to address marine pollution, Blue Economy, Clean cooking, Marine spatial planning; and Carbon trade; as key areas of priority. This support will facilitate country's efforts for effectively addressing triple planetary crisis.

Thank you Chair

Tuesday 9 July 2024

Agenda item 3 (a): Management and Administration of UNEP

I thank you chair for giving me the floor

- My delegation would like to express its satisfactions with the overall administration and management matters of the UNEP including gender inclusion in various professional positions and geographical representations in those positions. This demonstrate that UNEP is setting positive example within the UN – system with the highest level of female representation in the professional positions.

Thank you Chair

Agenda Item 3 (c): Consideration of relevant UNEP evaluation reports.

I thank you Chair for giving me the floor

We wish to consider and take note of the evaluation report presented by evaluation team. However, my delegation is of the view that, more emphasis of the evaluation should focus on the effectiveness of UNEP in ensuring sustainability of the outcomes of the implemented projects,

Thank you Chair

Agenda Item 3 (d): Coordination within the UN system on the environment through the Environment Management Group

I thank you chair for giving me the floor

- My delegation appreciates the role of Environmental Management Group - EMG as UN – System Wide Coordination body on environment. The holistic and collaborative efforts of EMG are vital in addressing global environmental challenges.

However, it is our view that, EMG should promote synergies on chemicals and pollution related conventions with Global Biodiversity Framework to address biodiversity and pollution challenges. Although, Tanzania has made notable progress in addressing global challenges including the implementation of projects and programs to address biodiversity loss and pollution in line with Global Biodiversity framework, we believe that implementing a common approach will ensure that our efforts are not in isolation and therefore have more sustained outcomes.

Thank you chair

Wednesday 10 July 2024

Agenda Item 3 (e): Contribution of the regional forums of ministers of the environment and environment authorities to the UNEP Medium-term Strategy and Programme of Work

I thank you chair for giving me the floor

- My delegation welcomes with appreciation on the very informative brief on the contribution of regional ministers of environment and environment authorities to UNEP medium term strategy and program of work.
- In addition to promoting multilateral cooperation and enhancing cooperation among the different entities; these forums play a crucial role in facilitating experience sharing, best practices, lesson learned which is instrumental in addressing global environmental challenges. Tanzania has been actively participating in various regional forum, let me take this opportunity to acknowledge the support provided by UNEP in facilitating and organizing these regional forums.
- However, My delegation would like to see the role of these forums enhanced especially in aspects of implantation of the outcomes of the forum at national level. Specifically, noting that environmental matters cut across all sectors, it is important to find mechanisms to ensure that there are synergies with other sectors. This is area where UNEP's intervention can also bring impact.

Thank you Chair

Agenda Item 4: Financial outlook, opportunities and challenges for the United Nations Environment Programme.

I thank you chair for giving me the floor

- My delegation commends the work done by secretariat for a very detailed presentation on financial outlook which highlights funding trend, opportunities and challenges. We also acknowledge the effort made by member state for their contribution on environmental and thematic funds to support the work of UNEP in addressing global environmental challenges.
- Tanzania supports the concept of widening the funding base for UNEP. I take this opportunity to reiterate our commitment to continue contributing to Environment Fund and we hope to have made our contribution for 2024 before the end of the year.

Thank you Chair

Thursday 11 July 2024

Agenda Item 5: Preparations for the seventh session of the United Nations Environment Assembly

I thank you chair for giving me the floor

- My delegation welcomes the roadmap prepared by the secretariate on Preparations for the seventh session of the United Nations Environment Assembly.
- Tanzania is deeply recommended to the theme of Accelerating transitions for people and planet. This is due to higher rate of forest degradation and overdependent of forest biomass. in join the hands with this theme, the country has just started increasing the energy transition effort by introducing the Strategy for clean cooking and guideline and regulations for Carbon credit business.

Thank you Chair