Committee of Permanent Representatives Bureau meeting Wednesday, 12 July 2024 08:45 – 09:45 (GMT +3) Conference Room 9 Hybrid meeting

#### Summary

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

- 1. His Excellency Firas Khouri, Chair of the Committee of Permanent Representatives (CPR) and Ambassador of the Hashemite Kingdom of Jordan to Kenya and Permanent Representative to UNEP, opened and chaired the meeting.
- 2. Ms. Inger Andersen, Executive Director of UNEP, delivered her opening remarks.
- 3. The <u>agenda</u> was adopted.

# Agenda item 2: Stock-taking of progress made at the 11<sup>th</sup> annual subcommittee meeting of the Committee of Permanent Representatives.

#### Agenda item 3: Consideration of the draft Chair's summary.

- 4. The Secretariat presented the <u>first draft chair's summary</u> for consideration by the Bureau.
- 5. One Bureau member asked the secretariat whether the recommendations would be discussed during subsequent CPR meetings and whether Member States would need to endorse them.
- 6. One Bureau member appreciated the panel discussions held on Wednesday, 10 July, and emphasized the importance of developing clear and focused recommendations following the discussion on an item, a new working method which was welcomed and should be maintained.
- 7. The secretariat explained that the CPR would review the first draft of the Chair's summary in the morning meeting of 12 July. A revised draft will be circulated for endorsement at the closing meeting, which is scheduled for the same day in the afternoon. The Chair's summary will also be for endorsement at the 167th CPR quarterly meeting to be held on 12 September.
- 8. The secretariat recalled that following the discussion on Thursday, 11 July, two recommendations under agenda item 3 (a) [Review of UNEP programme of work implementation] were not reflected in the Chair's summary. It was explained that these two recommendations might be reintroduced during the morning meeting of Friday. The secretariat also explained that the recommendations proposed by delegations at the ASC would be further reviewed at a subsequent subcommittee meeting for final adoption by the CPR at its 167<sup>th</sup> quarterly meeting. In this regard, the secretariat informed that there

was a request from a Member State for the secretariat to provide financial or resource implications of the recommendations proposed by delegations and that the secretariat was understanding a preliminary assessment for further information to be provided at a subsequent subcommittee meeting when the recommendations would be reviewed again.

## Agenda item 4: Other matters.

9. No other matters were raised.

# Agenda item 5: Closing of the meeting.

10. The meeting closed at 9:20 (GMT+3).

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# **Annex: List of Participants**

## The Committee of Permanent Representatives Bureau Members:

H. E. Mr. Firas Khouri, Chair of the Committee of Permanent Representatives, Ambassador of the Hashemite Kingdom of Jordan to Kenya and Permanent Representative to UNEP.

H. E. Mr. Wael Nasreldin Attiya, Vice Chair of the Committee, Ambassador of the Arab Republic of Egypt, and Permanent Representative to UNEP.

H. E. Ms. Nicol Adamcová, Vice-Chair of the Committee, Ambassador of Czechia to Kenya and Permanent Representative to UNEP, **represented by** Mr. Michal Novotny, Deputy Permanent Representative to UNEP.

H. E. Arnaud Suquet, Ambassador of France and Permanent Representative of France to UNEP, **represented by** Mr. Clément Payeur, Deputy Permanent Representative to UNEP.

Mr. Jovan Bernard Reid, Deputy Head of Mission of the Permanent Mission of Barbados.

## The UN Environment Program Secretariat was represented by:

Ms. Inger Andersen, Executive Director.

Ms. Elizabeth Maruma Mrema, Deputy Executive Director

Mr. Nicolas Bertrand, Chief of Staff.

Ms. Radhika Ochalik, Secretary of Governing Bodies.

Mr. Ulf Bjornholm, Deputy Secretary of Governing Bodies.

Mr. Stadler Trengove, Principal Legal Adviser