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Thank you M. Chair,

- First, I would like to thank the presenters for the very insightful briefings on the 2 thematic subprograms. Such presentations contribute to reinforce the function of oversight of the CPR over the programme of work, and provide member States with important information on effective projects being launched or implemented in different regions to deliver on the objectives of the two subprograms.
- My delegation also appreciates the planning of more briefings on the remaining thematic subprograms, so that by the end of the year 2024, the CPR would have reviewed all the 13 thematic subprograms, thus allowing the committee to better engage in the formulation of the next MTS and programme of work.

Mr Chair,

- My delegation would like to commend the secretariat for the two presentations, on the thematic subprograms on "conservation and restoration for better use of biodiversity", and on "Science and Transparency".:
- Indeed, we appreciate the manner the 2 presentations are structured with clear-cut objectives of the 2 subprograms, their expected outcomes, the link with other subprograms and the contribution to the Programme of work. It is good to have a clear idea on the projects launched or implemented- and also to benefit from lessons learnt to deliver on the ground in an efficient manner.
- My delegation is of the view that these two subprograms, will gain more momentum, if they are linked with the relevant UNEA resolutions. In this regard, subprogram on conservation and restoration for better use of biodiversity can be linked with all the relevant UNEA resolutions, for instance, UNEA6 resolutions, 13 on water policy in the context of biodiversity, resolution 14 on desertification and land degradation, and resolution 15 on Oceans, present the perfect examples. The link between subprograms

and UNEA resolutions will give the needed impetus to kick start or reinforce their implementation, where appropriate.

- With regard to the subprogram on science and transparency, my delegation would like to enquire on the nature of impact this subprogram can have on countries? What are the major benefits it can bring to countries <u>beyond fulfilling reporting requirements? And to</u> what extent can it support countries in their transition towards net zero and towards climate resilient development pathways? Also can this subprogram offer capacity building for conducting vulnerabilities assessments on gas emissions?
- The presentation speaks about the access to digital solutions to enhance transparency efforts, however, not all countries have access to those digital solutions, which means that this subprogram has to target countries that are in need of improving their data collection, analysis, reporting and verification processing. In this regard, could the secretariat elaborate more on how it intends to expand its support to bring those digital solutions to countries? And if there's a list of already identified beneficiary countries as well as a timeframe that has been set for that?
- Finally, my delegation proposes for UNEP secretariat, for the sake of consistency and clarity, to establish visible links between the implementation of the existing subprograms and the relevant UNEA resolutions, where appropriate, specifically resolutions that contain asks linked with the thematic and operations of the subprograms.
- This could be reflected easily in the next briefings of the subprograms and also in the portal on reporting and monitoring of the implementation of UNEA resolutions, to help member States and UNEP better track advancement on the implementation of the UNEP's program of work.

Thank you.