

# China Inputs for UNEA 7 Zero Draft Ministerial Declaration

## **1. UNEA**

(a) We anticipate that the United Nations Environment Programme takes the lead in coordinating the establishment of an evaluation mechanism, conducts comprehensive and effective assessments, as well as produces accurate reports. Effectively prompting all countries to translate their commitments into practical actions, and achieving tangible and positive results in environmental protection.

(b) We advocate for further enhancing the efficiency of negotiation, avoid the influence of political factors, focus on specialized technical issues in the environmental field, streamline the number of draft resolutions, and adopt proactive and actionable measures, thus collaboratively and inclusively promoting the implementation of existing resolutions.

## **2. Environmental Conventions**

(a) We reaffirm that all the principles enshrined within the Rio Declaration on Environment and Development, and the 2030 Agenda for Sustainable Development and its corresponding Sustainable Development Goals, which standing as the fundamental cornerstone for the collective global efforts dedicated to environmental protection and sustainable development.

(b) We call for the continuous reinforcement of effectiveness of the multilateral environmental cooperation mechanisms on the momentous occasion of the 80<sup>th</sup> anniversary of the United Nations, promote enhanced synergies among various multilateral environmental conventions and deepen the implementation of global consensuses such as the Baku Climate Unity Pact (UNFCCC COP29) and the Kunming - Montreal

Global Biodiversity Framework (hereinafter referred to as the Kunming - Montreal Framework, CBD COP15).

(c) We acknowledge the significance of the Conferences of the Parties to relevant conventions, and welcome the recent and important multilateral achievements including the relevant resolutions adopted at the Conferences of the Parties to the Montreal Protocol, the Basel Convention, the Rotterdam Convention, the Stockholm Convention, and the Minamata Convention on Mercury in 2025.

### **3. Biodiversity**

(a) We reaffirm the importance of integrating biodiversity conservation with the implementation of the Sustainable Development Goals, call on all parties to enhance international cooperation and experience sharing in biodiversity conservation, jointly promote the high quality development of ecological and environmental cooperation, and support the goals of global sustainable development.

(b) We call on all parties of the conventions and stakeholders, all government departments and all sectors of society to take concrete actions to jointly contribute to the effective implementation of the goals of Kunming - Montreal Framework, to realize the vision of harmonious coexistence between humanity and nature by 2050, and to build a shared community for all life on Earth.

(c) We reaffirm the commitment to the full and efficient implementation of the Kunming - Montreal Framework and actively take the following actions:

i. Strengthen the financial mechanism for biodiversity conservation, and emphasizes that the implementation of the Kunming - Montreal Framework requires sufficient financial support, call on all parties to promote resource mobilization and enhance the synergy of financing

measures of funds such as the Global Environment Facility (GEF), the Global Biodiversity Framework Fund (GBFF), the Kunming Biodiversity Fund, and the Cali Fund. We appreciate the voluntary initiatives such as the Kunming Fund and the Initiative for the Implementation of the Kunming - Montreal Framework jointly launched by UNEP and other Parties.

ii. Implement the work program under Article 8(j) and other relevant articles of the Convention on Biological Diversity by giving play to the role of indigenous peoples and local communities in achieving the goals of the Kunming - Montreal Framework, increasing their participation in biodiversity conservation, restoration and sustainable use, and promoting their contribution to the sharing of benefits arising from the utilization of genetic resources and their digital sequence information (DSI) and related traditional knowledge.

iii. Update national biodiversity conservation strategies and action plans. Conserves, restores and sustainably uses biodiversity, and accesses and shares the benefits of genetic resources to achieve the goals of the Kunming - Montreal Framework.

(d) We make full use of the scientific results from the reports of *Thematic Assessment of the Underlying Causes of Biodiversity Loss and the Determinants and Options for Transformative Change Needed to Achieve the 2050 Vision for Biodiversity*, and the *Thematic Assessment of the Interlinks between Biodiversity, Water, Food and Health*, which were reviewed and adopted at the 11<sup>th</sup> meeting of the Intergovernmental Science Policy Platform on Biodiversity and Ecosystem Services (IPBES11), to promote global biodiversity conservation and the achievement of the Sustainable Development Goals.

#### **4. Climate Change**

(a) We make joint efforts to implement the United Nations Framework Convention on Climate Change and the Paris Agreement, especially the UAE Consensus adopted at the 28<sup>th</sup> Conference of the Parties and the Baku Climate Unity Pact adopted at the 29<sup>th</sup> Conference of the Parties. By following the principle of "common but differentiated responsibilities", work with all parties to promote positive progress in the multilateral process, address climate change within the framework of sustainable development, and drive the global green and low - carbon transformation.

(b) We urge developed countries to take the lead in making substantial emission reductions and provide financial, technological and capacity - build support to developing countries for climate change response. In line with the new collective quantified target for climate finance set at COP29 in Baku, we reaffirm that developed countries take the lead in mobilizing at least \$300 billion per year for developing countries by 2035.

(c) We welcome the joint efforts of all parties to create a favorable external environment for international cooperation on climate change and promote the United Nations Conference on Climate Change in Belém to achieve positive results.

(d) We propose a key theme as “developing green refrigeration alternative technologies to reduce greenhouse gas emissions”. We call on all parties to make joint efforts to promote the green transformation of the refrigeration industry and contribute to addressing climate change and achieving the Sustainable Development Goals.

## **5. Chemical pollution**

We call for the inclusion of "developing green and sustainable chemistry as an important measure to address the issue of chemical pollution".

## **6. Soil Health Management and Sustainable Use**

We call for the improvement of the soil health management mechanism, the assessment of soil health conditions and the trends of ecological and environmental changes, and the research and formulation of policies for soil health management and sustainable use. We promote farming techniques that are conducive to improving the soil environment, preventing and controlling pollution, and protecting the ecosystem, and jointly enhancing the ecological functions of the soil and food production. We promote ecological restoration, enhancing soil fertility and biodiversity, and strengthening the stability of the soil ecosystem.

## **7. Intergovernmental Negotiating Committee on Plastic Pollution**

We appreciate the positive and constructive attitude of all parties in participating in the negotiations and jointly promoting the conclusion of the instrument. We call for giving full consideration to balanced measures in all aspects of the entire life cycle of plastics, respecting the gaps in development stages, national conditions and capabilities among countries, especially the practical difficulties faced by developing countries, and ensuring the effective implementation of the instrument at the global level.