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NECU written inputs to the draft ministerial declaration of UNEA-7

## Dear Sir/Madam,

With this letter National Ecological Center of Ukraine (NECU) provides written inputs to the draft ministerial declaration of UNEA-7.

Ministerial declaration of the United Nations Environment Assembly at its seventh session. (8-12 December 2025, Nairobi, Kenya). It is desirable for the UNEA-7 Ministerial Declaration to:

- 1) Recall General Assembly resolution 76/300 of 28 July 2022 on the human right to a clean, healthy and sustainable environment. Recall General Assembly resolution 77/104 of 7 December 2022 on protection of the environment in relation to armed conflicts.
- 2) Note with great concern that wide-scale armed conflicts pose major threats to nature, the economy, food security and human health and compound existing environmental and development challenges in the regions affected.
- 3) Acknowledge with a sense of great urgency the threats posed to achieving sustainable development goals and targets by wide-scale armed conflicts and their impacts on the environment, which are further aggravated by increased human vulnerability to environmental change due to raising poverty, inequality, human rights violation and food insecurity directly resulting from armed conflicts.
- 4) Acknowledge the critical role to be played by UNEP in developing a holistic United Nations approach to the assessment of environmental impacts of wide-scale armed conflicts in order to underpin relevant recovery strategies and action plans.
- 5) Call for the reinforcement of UNEP and its catalytic role, both at its headquarters and at its regional offices, in tackling armed conflict-specific environmental challenges.
- 6) Call the Executive Director of UNEP substantially increase the level and quality of assistance to the states, which have already been suffering the most from the adverse environmental impacts of past and ongoing armed conflicts, also informing relevant international bodies and processes pro-actively.
- 7) Urge Member States and observer States of the United Nations, international financial institutions, multilateral development banks, private foundations, philanthropies, funds and other actors to provide financial and other resources for post-conflict assessment work including support to development of a robust methodology to assess environmental loss and damage resulting from wide-scale armed conflicts.
- 8) Urge Member States and observer States of the United Nations, international financial institutions, multilateral development banks, private foundations, philanthropies, funds and other actors to establish

funding arrangements and an enabling legal and policy framework for responding to environmental loss and damage associated with wide-scale armed conflicts.

9) Reinforce action, solidarity and scale up means of implementation to support affected countries.

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Yours sincere,

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