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Annotated provisional agenda of the fifth meeting of the Open-ended Committee of Permanent Representatives

1. Opening of the meeting and adoption of the agenda

H.E. Mrs. Luísa Fragoso, Ambassador and Permanent Representative of Portugal and Chair of the Committee of Permanent Representatives, is expected to open the meeting at 10:00 a.m. on Monday, 21 February 2022. The committee will be invited to adopt the provisional agenda as set out in UNEP/OECPR.5/1.

2. Adoption of the minutes of the 157th meeting of the Committee of Permanent Representatives held on 1 February 2022.

The Committee will be invited to consider and adopt the draft minutes of the 157th meeting of the Committee of Permanent Representatives held on 1 February 2022.

3. Organization of work.

Under this agenda item, the Committee will be invited to consider and approve its organization of its work as set out in the annex to this annotated provisional agenda, including by establishing two working groups tasked to negotiate and as far as possible agree on draft resolutions and decisions.

4. Budget and Programme Performance, including implementation of previously adopted Assembly resolutions.

At the online meeting of the Committee on 15-19 February 2021, the Committee decided to take note of the working documents¹ for the fifth session of the UN Environment Assembly as mandated by previous decisions and resolutions of the previous sessions of the Assembly, and recommend to the Assembly to defer its substantive consideration to the resumed fifth session

¹ Available here: <https://www.unep.org/environmentassembly/pre-session-working-documents-unea-5?%2Fpre-session-working-documents-unea-5=>

of the Assembly in 2022. Further to those, the Secretariat will introduce the following additional working documents:

- UNEP/EA.5/1/Rev.2: Provisional agenda
- UNEP/EA.5/1/Rev.2/Add.1: Annotated provisional agenda
- UNEP/EA.5/2: Executive Director's report to the 5th session of the UN Environment Assembly: Nature at the heart of sustainable development.
- UNEP/EA.5/26: Progress in the implementation of resolution 5/2 on the application of the principle of equitable geographical distribution within the recruitment strategy of the United Nations Environment Programme.
- UNEP/EA.5/27: Options for the Future of the Global Environment Outlook - Final report of the Future of Global Environment Steering Committee to the resumed session of the fifth UN Environment Assembly.

Member States will be invited to consider and take note of the working documents for the fifth session of the Assembly.

5. Administrative and budgetary issues.

At the online meeting of the Committee in February 2021, the Committee considered and endorsed a proposed Mid Term Strategy for the period 2022-2025 and a Programme of Work and Budget for the period 2022-23 for the United Nations Environment Programme. No further action is expected under this agenda item at the resumed session of UNEA-5.

6. Contribution to the meeting of the high-level political forum on sustainable development.

Under this agenda item, the Committee will be invited to defer consideration of the UN Environment Assembly's contributions to the forthcoming meeting of the high-level political forum on sustainable development under the theme "Building back better from the coronavirus disease (COVID-19) while advancing the full implementation of the 2030 Agenda for Sustainable Development", to be held in New York from 5 to 15 July 2022, to a future meeting of the subcommittee of the Committee of Permanent Representatives.

7. Update on the preparations and outcome of the special session of the Environment Assembly to commemorate the fiftieth anniversary of the establishment of UN Environment Programme.

Under this agenda item, the Committee will be invited to consider the state of preparations for the special session of the Environment Assembly to commemorate the fiftieth anniversary of the establishment of UNEP, which will take place on 3-4 March 2022, in accordance with UNEA decision 5/3, and to recommend the adoption of a draft political declaration at that meeting, in accordance with paragraph 15 of General Assembly resolution 76/208 and subject to final consideration at the resumed fifth session of the United Nations Environment Assembly.

In support of this consideration, the Committee will hear a progress update by H.E. Ms. Saqlain Syedah, Rapporteur of the Bureau of the Committee of Permanent Representatives and High Commissioner and Permanent Representative of Pakistan, and Mr. Ado Lohmus, Vice President of the Bureau of the Committee of Permanent Representatives and Permanent Representative of Estonia, in their capacity as Co-Facilitators for the informal consultations under the auspices of the Committee of Permanent Representatives for the implementation of UN General Assembly resolution 73/333, entitled "Follow-up to the report of the ad hoc open-ended working group established pursuant to General Assembly resolution 72/277".

8. Preparation of decisions and outcomes of the resumed fifth session of United Nations Environment Assembly.

At the online meeting of the Committee in February 2021, the Committee considered and recommended three draft decisions for adoption at the online session of UNEA-5 in February 2021. The draft decisions were subsequently adopted by the Assembly.

Under this agenda item, the Committee will be invited to conclude consideration and recommend the adoption at the resumed fifth session of the Assembly, or deferral to the sixth session of the Assembly, of a compilation of draft decisions and resolutions, which have been

proposed by Member States for consideration at the resumed fifth session of the United National Environment Assembly.

Under this agenda item, it is also expected that the President of the UN Environment Assembly, H.E. Mr. Espen Barth Eide, Minister of Climate and Environment of Norway, will brief the Committee on the status of the consultation on a draft political declaration to be considered for adoption at the resumed session of UNEA-5.

9. Consideration of a draft Chair's summary

The meeting will be invited to consider and endorse a draft Chair's Summary of the meeting.

10. Other matters.

The meeting will consider any other matters related to its work.

11. Closure of the meeting.

The meeting is expected to close at 18:00 on Friday, 25 February 2022.

Annex: Draft programme of work for the online session of the fifth Open-Ended Committee of Permanent Representatives.