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14:00 – 17:00 (GMT+3)

**Chair's Report of the Subcommittee of the
Committee of Permanent Representatives**

1. Since the 159th meeting of Committee of Permanent Representatives, held on 29 September 2022, two meetings of the CPR subcommittee, as well as the ninth meeting of the Annual Subcommittee of the CPR have taken place.
2. At the subcommittee meeting held on [13 October 2022](#) Member States discussed a briefing on the implementation of UNEA resolution 5/12 on environmental aspects of minerals and metals management. Member States identified the following issues for further follow-up:
 - a) Requested information on the dedicated website and methodology to ensure stakeholder engagement.
 - b) Requested clarification on existing stock-taking activities particularly in relation to the report under paragraph 5 of the resolution on knowledge gaps and asked for a timeline.
 - c) Requested additional information on the intergovernmental consultation and on the process to nominate co-chairs by Member States.
 - d) Called for transparency and inclusiveness in the decision-making process and mindfulness regarding the challenges and needs of developing Member States.
 - e) Requested opportunities for national focal points to engage on questions, discussions, and exchanges in advance of the consultations.
 - f) Asked for further clarification on the implementation of paragraph 1 on encouraging member states to align their mining practices and investments in

mining with the 2030 Agenda for Sustainable Development and with their obligations and decisions under multilateral environmental agreements.

The Secretariat is considering the appropriate timing to provide an additional briefing on this process, to address to the issues listed in items a)-f), and will consult with the Chair of the Committee to identify a suitable date.

3. At the ninth annual subcommittee meeting, held from [24- 28 October 2022](#), Member States discussed these [agenda items](#). These discussions and possible issue for follow-up are reflected in the [Chair's summary](#).
4. At the subcommittee meeting held on [10 November 2022](#), Member States heard a Secretariat briefing on the preparatory process for the INC-1 on plastic pollution, and from the Secretariat on outcomes from recent meetings to prepare GEO-7 and next steps, and a Secretariat presentation of the 2022 Annual Report to the CPR on UNEP's Private Sector Engagement. Member States identified the following issues for further follow-up:
 - a) Requested the Secretariat, in the context of the discussion under agenda item 3, to provide a briefing on the findings in the UNEP 2022 Adaptation Gap Report.

The Secretariat will consult with the Chair of the Committee to identify a suitable date for the presentation of the report.

- b) Requested the Secretariat, in the context of item 4, to provide additional analytical briefings to the CPR on the implementation of the 2019 UNEP Strategy for Private Sector Engagement, which is under review to ensure alignment it with the UNEP Mid Term Strategy 2022-2025, including with regard to 1) geographical distribution, 2) financial relationship with private sector stakeholders, 3) preferred areas of expanded partnerships with the private sector and potential challenges, and 4) criteria and due diligence elements to initiate and maintain private sector partnerships.

The Secretariat is considering the appropriate timing for this additional briefing and will consult with the Chair of the Committee to identify a suitable date.