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Review of the recommendations from the 13th annual subcommittee meeting of the Committee of Permanent Representatives for consideration at the upcoming quarterly meeting of the Committee

Draft recommendations proposed by members of the Committee at the thirteenth annual subcommittee meeting of the Committee of Permanent Representatives for consideration by the Committee at its subcommittee meeting on 24 September 2026 and subsequently at the 176th meeting

The Committee of Permanent Representatives,

Recalling paragraph 2 of its decision 167/2 on improving the identification, formulation and recording of decisions and conclusions of the Committee,

Noting the discussions of the subcommittee of the Committee at its meeting on 7 September 2026,

Management and administration of the United Nations Environment Programme and Programme Performance Report of the United Nations Environment Programme for 2024–2025[1]

1. Takes note of informal JIU-recommendation 2 regarding the Programme's organization structure, and requests the Executive Director, within existing resources, to provide an overview of current staff levels per division, and per unit in that division, and present it during CPR176;

2. Takes note of informal JIU-recommendation 17 regarding the plethora of reporting mechanisms, and requests the Executive Director, within existing resources, to provide an overview that details what substantive programmatic reports UNEP delivers on an (bi-)annual basis to both the Nairobi-based governing bodies of the Programme, as well as to the relevant oversight bodies based in New York, and

[1] Highlights of the discussions under agenda item 3 (Management and administration of the United Nations Environment Programme) and agenda item 4 (Programme performance report of the United Nations Environment Programme for 2024-2025) of the 13th annual subcommittee meeting, can be found in the Chair's summary.

requests this topic to be considered by the Committee's subcommittee, before the end of the fourth quarter of 2026;

3. Takes note of Board of Auditors recommendation c regarding ineffective project performance and fund underutilization, and recalling recommendation 1 and 2 as adopted via UNEP/CPR/171/3, requests the Executive Director to, within existing resources, include in her quarterly report to this Committee which is to be presented during CPR176, an analysis of the underlying causes of lagging project performance and fund underutilization, based on data provided by project managers, together with targeted measures to address identified project challenges and measured project results, as well as the intended measures to address these issues and reallocate the relevant funds;

4. Takes note of informal JIU-recommendation 22 regarding affiliate staff, and – recalling recommendation 2(d) as adopted via UNEP/CPR/171/1 – reaffirms its request to the Executive Director, within existing resources, to report to the Committee of Permanent Representatives, before the end of the fourth quarter of 2026, disaggregated data of the affiliate personnel, with a view to provide Member States with a more comprehensive understanding of the composition and structure of the UNEP workforce, and encourages the Executive Director to ensure its swift implementation.