Title: *Draft Political Declaration of the Special Session of the United Nations Environment Assembly to commemorate the fiftieth anniversary of the establishment of the United Nations Environment Programme*

PP1 *We the heads of states and governments, ministers and high-level representatives, having gathered, together with the representatives of international organisations and other stakeholders at the Special Session of the United Nations Environment Assembly entitled "UNEP @50: Strengthening UNEP for the implementation of the environmental dimension of the 2030 Agenda for Sustainable Development" to commemorate the fiftieth anniversary of the establishment of the United Nations Environment Programme (UNEP),* ***(agreed ad ref]]***

PP1 bis *Expressing our gratitude to the Government of Kenya for hosting the special session - a historic milestone for the global community and UNEP, to reflect on the* ***[****past****, (SAU)] (IRN, ALG, KEN del) achievements and (ARG)*** *lessons learned* ***[****and achievements****] (ARG del)*** *and envisage the future ambitions, actions [****for effective implementation of international environmental law. (UK)****] (ALG, IRN, EGY, TUR res)(RUS del)* ***[****and support* ***for [****the environmental dimension of****]*** *(COL)* ***(BRA del)*** *[****a****] (COL del)* ***sustainable development (MEX, ALG, RUS, COL, IRN, CRI, BRA). (US)*** *[****to UNEP (CHE)****] (RUS, EGY, IRN, ALG, CHI, US, NOR res),****] (UK res) (MWI, GHA keep original)***

Co-facilitators' proposal:

PP1 bis *Expressing our gratitude to the Government of Kenya for hosting the special session - a historic milestone for the global community and UNEP, to reflect on the achievements and lessons learned and envisage the future ambitions and actions to support the implementation of the environmental dimension of sustainable development.*

PP1 ter *Acknowledging with appreciation UNEP's 50 years contribution in supporting a worldwide effort to overcome the planet's biggest environmental challenges,* ***(agreed ad ref]***

PP2 ***[****[Recognizing****] (CRI, MOR del) Reaffirming (CRI, CHI, MOR)*** *the right to a clean, healthy and sustainable environment as a human right that is important for the enjoyment of human rights,* ***further reaffirming that the promotion of the right to a clean, healthy and sustainable environment*** *as agreed in the Human Rights Council Resolution 48/13 (CRI, COL)* ***requires the full implementation of the Multilateral Environmental Agreements under the principles of international environmental law (BRA, MEX, CHI, CRI, CHE, MOR)] (CHN, ALG, JPN, RUS, US, MWI, IRN, VEN del)(CHI, CHE, MOR, COL, EU, PER, ISL keep)***

(EGY?)

PP2 Alt. We recognise that a clean, healthy and sustainable environment is important for the enjoyment of human rights. (JPN, AUS, NZL, KOR)

PP2 Alt2. We recognise the right to a clean, healthy and sustainable environment as a human right that is important for the enjoyment of human rights. (EU) (EU recommends this be an OP) (RUS del)

PP2 Alt3. Recalling Human Rights Council Resolution 48/13 on the right to a clean, healthy and sustainable environment as a human right that is important for the enjoyment of human rights (UK, PER, MOR, NZL, CRI, KOR, NOR, ISL) (RUS del)

Co-facilitators' proposal:

PP2 We recognise that a clean, healthy and sustainable environment is important for the enjoyment of human rights.

PP2 Alt. Reaffirming the right to a clean, healthy and sustainable environment as a human right that is important for the enjoyment of human rights, further reaffirming that the promotion of the right to a clean, healthy and sustainable environment, as agreed in the Human Rights Council Resolution 48/13, requires the full implementation of the Multilateral Environmental Agreements under the principles of international environmental law.

PP2 Alt 2. We recognise the right to a clean, healthy and sustainable environment as a human right that is important for the enjoyment of human rights.

PP2 Alt 3. Recalling Human Rights Council Resolution 48/13 on the right to a clean, healthy and sustainable environment as a human right that is important for the enjoyment of human rights.

PP3/4 *Recalling the Stockholm Declaration and Action Plan for Human Environment, the Rio Declaration on Environment and Development and the Agenda 21, the Programme for the Further Implementation of Agenda 21, the Johannesburg Declaration on Sustainable Development and the Plan of Implementation of the World Summit on Sustainable Development, the Rio+20 outcome document "The Future we want", General Assembly resolution 69/313 of 27 July 2015 entitled "Addis Ababa Action Agenda of the Third International Conference on Financing for Development", General Assembly resolution 70/1 of 25 September 2015, entitled "Transforming our world: the 2030 Agenda for Sustainable Development, General Assembly Resolution 73/333 of 30 August 2019, entitled "Follow-up to the report of the ad hoc open-ended working group established pursuant to General Assembly resolution 72/277", as well as the outcomes of all the major United Nations conferences and summits in the economic, social and environmental fields,(ALG proposes to add reference to UNGA resolution 76/208)(agreed ad ref)*

Co-facilitators' proposal:

PP3/4 *Recalling the Stockholm Declaration and Action Plan for Human Environment, the Rio Declaration on Environment and Development and the Agenda 21, the Programme for the Further Implementation of Agenda 21, the Johannesburg Declaration on Sustainable Development and the Plan of Implementation of the World Summit on Sustainable Development, the Rio+20 outcome document "The Future we want", General Assembly resolution 69/313 of 27 July 2015 entitled "Addis Ababa Action Agenda of the Third International Conference on Financing for Development", General Assembly resolution 70/1 of 25 September 2015, entitled "Transforming our world: the 2030 Agenda for Sustainable Development, General Assembly Resolution 73/333 of 30 August 2019, entitled "Follow-up to the report of the ad hoc open-ended working group established pursuant to General Assembly resolution 72/277", General Assembly resolution 76/208 of 17 December 2021, entitled "Report of the United Nations Environment Assembly of the United Nations Environment Program", as well as the outcomes of all the major United Nations conferences and summits in the economic, social and environmental fields.*

PP5 ***[****Reaffirming all the principles of the Rio Declaration on Environment and Development,****[including](BRA,IRN,CHN Del),*** *in particular, (BRA,IRN,CHN)* ***the principle of common but differentiated responsibilities (EGY,ALG,SA,MWI,BRA,IRN,ARG,VEN,CHN,RUS)(CRI,GBR,CHE,JPN,EU keep original)(COL add CBDR to OP11)](CHE Del para)***

Co-facilitators' proposal:

PP5 Reaffirming all the principles of the Rio Declaration on Environment and Development.

PP6 moved to OP2 bis

PP7 *[Recognizing the urgent need and our* ***[****shared responsibility****](BRA,CHN,ARG,SA,EGY,IRN,ALG del)*** *[****common objectives****] (BRA,CHN,ARG,SA,EGY,IRN,ALG)(EU,JPN reserve)* *to reinforce and advance the* ***[****protection, preservation****](BRA Del)(CRI,CHI keep), [conservation] (BRA,ARG,EU)(JPN reserve)* *restoration and sustainable use of the environment for present and future generations* ***in a socially just manner (NOR)*** ***[****in an equitable manner****](NOR Del)(US reserve)[duly taking into account national priorities and circumstances] (ALG)(EU Del)[including the crucial role of support from developed countries to developing countries to assist them and complement their national actions to implement and fulfil their contributions to deal with environmental challenges] (SA,EGY,ALG)(EU,CHE Del)*** *as it is crucial to urgently* ***[****break****] (EU Del) reverse (EU)*** *the current trends of environmental decline, which are impeding progress towards sustainable development,* ***[reaffirming that eradicating poverty in all its forms and dimensions including extreme poverty is the greatest global challenge and an indispensable requirement for sustainable development and reaffirming the need to promote environmental, social and economic dimensions of sustainable development in an integrated and balanced manner] (BRA,CHN,ARG,RUS,VEN)(EU reserve) [We are concerned over the grave challenges in the implementation of the 2030 Agenda for Sustainable Development due to COVID-19. We therefore welcome member states putting up development initiatives, including global development initiatives to accelerate the implementation of the 2030 Agenda and integrating the attainment of environment related Sustainable Development Goals into such initiatives] (CHN)(EU Del)(ALG questions 'sustainable use of environment')]US reserve)(CRI,JPN,GBR,NOR,EU,COL Keep original text)***

Alt. Recognizing the urgent need and our common goal to strengthen and advance the protection, preservation and restoration of the environment for present and future generations, taking into consideration national circumstances and the Rio principles, in particular the principles of common but differentiated responsibilities and equity. Further recognizing the need to urgently break with current trends of environmental degradation and the necessity to address related challenges encompassing, inter alia, poverty eradication, which are impeding progress towards sustainable development (ALG,MEX for first 3 lines)

Co-facilitators' proposal:

PP7 *Recognizing the urgent need and our common objectives to reinforce and advance the conservation, restoration and sustainable use of the environment for present and future generations in a socially just manner taking into account respective circumstances as it is crucial to urgently reverse the current trends of environmental decline, which are impeding progress towards sustainable development.*

PP7 bis. We reaffirm that poverty eradication, changing unsustainable and promoting sustainable patterns of consumption and production, and protecting and managing the natural resource base of economic and social development are the overarching objectives of and essential requirements for sustainable development.

PP8 moved to OP1 ter (ARG short PP to address PP7)

Bis [Also recognizing the critical importance of adequate sufficient and predictable means of implementation to fulfil environmental means of commitment (ARG,BRA.PER) and further highlighting the urgent need of fully implementing resource mobilisation obligations and development] (BRA,SA)(US,CRI,COL,GBR Del)(EU reserve)

Co-facilitators' proposal: Delete.

PP9 *Recognizing* ***[****the* ***[****essential****](MWI Del)*** *role of the environmental* ***[****rule of****](RUS,CHN,CHI,ALG,MWI,IRN Del)(EU,PER,CHE keep)*** *law and effective international environmental governance,[****as appropriate and through inclusive multilateral and agreed processes,] (EGY,SA,IDN,CRI,CHI,ALG,IRN)(EU Del)*** *and welcoming ongoing initiatives to promote a coherent approach for addressing biodiversity loss, climate change,* ***desertification (ALG,IRN,CRI,EGY,CHN)*** *and land and ecosystem degradation,* ***as well as pollution and unsound management of chemicals and waste (CHE,CRI,EU,PER,CHI,COL)*** *and recognizing****](GBR,BRA,ARG,US,RUS, Del)(CHE,EGY,EU Keep text)*** *the crucial importance of effective national legal frameworks and governance structures for* ***[****promoting****](CHE Del)(US,ALG,MEX keep)*** *[****ensuring] (CHE)(US Del)*** *compliance with* ***obligation under (ALG,IRN,CRI)*** *international environmental law, and the delivery of the Sustainable Development Goals* ***while emphasizing the importance of international cooperation in this regard(ALG,IRN,CRI,EGY,CHN),(EU Keep original text)***

Co-facilitators' proposal:

PP9 *Recognizing the importance of fostering environmental rule of law and effective international environmental governance through multilateral processes and welcoming ongoing initiatives to promote a coherent approach for addressing biodiversity loss, climate change, desertification, land and ecosystem degradation, as well as pollution and unsound management of chemicals and waste.*

PP9 bis. Recognizing the crucial importance of effective national legal frameworks and governance structures for promoting compliance with obligations under international environmental law, and the delivery of the Sustainable Development Goals while emphasizing the importance of international cooperation in this regard.

OP1 ***[***Support the **[**enhancement**](ARG,RUS Del) strengthening (ARG,RUS)** of**](EU Del)** [**Commit to enhance](EU)(RUS del)** international environmental governance **[in line with paragraph 88 of the outcome document of the United Nations Conference on Sustainable Development entitled 'The Future We Want' and](EGY,MEX,BRA,ALG,IRN,KEN,VEN)(EU reserve) [through the strengthening of UNEP and UNEA in] (ALG,KEN,MEX,IRN)(EU reserve) [*as appropriate and including through inclusive multilateral and agreed processes,] (SA,MEX,BRA,IRN,EGY)(EU Del)* ***[***within**](ALG Del)** the context of the institutional framework for sustainable development and promote enhanced coordination within the UN system for a balanced integration of the

environmental, economic and social dimensions of sustainable development**,](COL,US,GBR,EU Keep original)(US reserve)**

Co-facilitators' proposal:

OP1 Support the strengthening of international environmental governance within the context of the institutional framework for sustainable development and promote enhanced coordination within the United Nations system for a balanced integration of the environmental, economic and social dimensions of sustainable development.

OP1 bis [Commit to mainstream **[**in a balanced manner**](COL Del)(BRA,MEX Keep)** the environmental dimension of sustainable development into national policies, strategies and planning **[[**in accordance with**] (US,GBR Del) taking into account (US,GBR) [**national**](US,GBR, Del)(BRA,CHI,EGY,CRI,CHN,PSE,MEX Keep) respective (US,GBR)** circumstances,**](EU Del) and** capabilities (CHI,CRI,PSE,MEX) [**and while respecting each country's policy space and leadership to establish and implement policies for poverty eradication and sustainable development] (EGY,ALG) (EU Del) [taking into account the specific challenges faced by developing countries,] (BRA,ALG)(EU Del)** including through supporting capacity-building of relevant authorities, in order to achieve the 2030 Agenda for sustainable development**,](MWI,IDN,MEX,RUS,TUR Keep original)(ALG,SA,IRN keep original with BRA and EGY additions)(US,GBR,NOR,NZL reserve)**

Co-facilitators' proposal:

OP1 bis Commit to mainstream in a balanced manner the environmental dimension of sustainable development into national policies, strategies and planning taking into account respective circumstances and capabilities including through supporting capacity-building of relevant authorities, in order to achieve the 2030 Agenda for sustainable development.

OP1 ter Underline the importance of effective implementation of existing obligations**, [**and**](EGY, BRA del) [**commitments **[and pledges]] (EGY,BRA, ARG, ALG, CHN, IRN) (MWI, EU, CRI, CHN del) (US del)**under international environmental law **[**with the**] (US del) as well as (US, ARG)** enhanced ambition regarding **[environmental protection] (US)(ARG Del) and [means of implementation. (US,ARG) and support in terms of means of implementation and international cooperation to developing countries as envisaged in goal 17 of the SDGs (SA, ALG) [**regarding means of implementation**] (EU del), and the determination to mobilise the means to implement the 2030 agenda through global partnership (EU)** and enabling **[**an environmentally**] (BRA,CHN, ARG, IDN, RUS, IRN Del) (CRI, NZL keep)** sustainable future for our planet and addressing urgent social, economic, and environmental challenges**](ARG reserve) [**especially against**] (ARG del) considering also (ARG)** the backdrop of the COVID-19 pandemic and its disproportionate impact **[**on the developing countries, **(ALG keep) [**especially**] (EU del)** on the poorest and most vulnerable **[**countries**,] (EU del)] (BRA del) by enhancing international cooperation to ensure] (CHN, ALG)] [**by ensuring**] (CHN del) [**environmentally**](BRA,ARG, CHN,IDN, RUS, IRN Del) (CRI, NZL keep)** sustainable, inclusive **[**and**] (IDN)**resilient, **better (IDN, RUS, CHN) greener (CHN)** recovery. **[[**and building **[**back better**]](CHN del) (US keep) (IDN del)[forward better and [greener]](CHN) (ARG del) (MWI, US del), (GBR, CRI keep original paragraph) (CHN del)**

Co-facilitators' proposal:

OP1 ter Underline the importance of effective implementation of existing obligations and commitments under international environmental law as well as enhanced ambition regarding environmental protection and means of implementation, including the determination to mobilise the means to implement the 2030 Agenda through global partnerships and enabling sustainable future for our planet and addressing urgent social, economic, and environmental challenges, considering also the backdrop of the COVID-19 pandemic and its disproportionate impact on the poorest and most vulnerable by ensuring sustainable, inclusive, resilient and green recovery and building back better.

OP2 Affirm the role of the United Nations Environment Assembly (UNEA) **[**as the leading decision-making body**] (BRA,EGY,NOR del)(ALG keep text)** [**and indispensable forum] (BRA,EGY,ALG,ARG)(EU,CHE reserve)** on the environment, with the universal membership, for enhancing the progress of the comprehensive implementation of the environmental dimension of the 2030 Agenda **within the United Nations system (GBR,ARG,NOR)** and **[**setting the overarching guidance for**] (BRA,EGY del)(EU keep), and (BRA)** strengthening international environmental governance**, [in a manner fully respectful of the existing multilateral environmental agreement] (BRA,EGY,IRN,ARG)(EU,NOR reserve)** and for implementation of the global environmental agenda, **[**in accordance with paragraph 88**] (GBR, ARG,CHE del)(EGY,ALG,IRN keep text)** of the document "The Future We Want", **while respecting the relevant mandates, processes and principles of the different MEAs (SA)(GBR,ARG wants to swap OP2 Bis with OP2)(COL,CRI,ALG,EU,NOR keep original)(US,ARG,CHE would like to see language that MEAs are independent)**

Co-facilitators' proposal:

OP2 Affirm the role of the United Nations Environment Assembly as the leading decision-making body on the environment with universal membership, while respecting the independence and respective mandates of multilateral environmental agreements, for enhancing the progress of the comprehensive implementation of the environmental dimension of the 2030 Agenda within the United Nations system, providing overarching policy guidance, strengthening international environmental governance and implementation of the global environmental agenda, in accordance with the document "The Future We Want".

OP2 bis Reaffirm the role of the United Nations Environment Programme (UNEP) as the leading global environmental authority that sets the global environmental agenda, promotes the coherent implementation of the environmental dimension of sustainable development within the United Nations system and serves as an authoritative advocate for the global environment**, (EU, EGY, ALG,US end para here) [**keeps under review the world environment situation and assists Member States in implementing their environmental commitments**](EGY Del)promotes a strong science policy interface to support informed decision making to countries, supports and facilitates access to technology(EGY)** consistent with paragraph 88 of the document "The Future We Want" **[while respecting the relevant mandates, processes and principles of the different MEAs.(SA)** We support continuous **[**strengthening of intergovernmental oversight**](EU reserve)** and accountability **of the UNEP Secretariat (RUS)** in the implementation of UNEP's mandate, **its responsiveness and accountability to member states] (EGY)(EU reserve)(ALG add reference to para 88)**

Co-facilitators' proposal:

OP2 bis Reaffirm the role of the United Nations Environment Programme as the leading global environmental authority that sets the global environmental agenda, promotes the coherent implementation of the environmental dimension of sustainable development within the United Nations system and serves as an authoritative advocate for the global environment**.**

OP3 Renew our support for strengthening the collaboration and cooperation between multilateral environmental agreements (MEAs) and **[**UNEA**](EU del) UNEP (EU)**, while respecting their independence and respective mandates, with a view to achieving progressive improvements in the state of the global environment, as well as in the provision of the means of implementation. To that end, we invite the governing bodies of MEAs to collaborate with UNEA, as appropriate, to promote policy coherence and its effective implementation,

Co-facilitators' proposal:

OP3 Renew our support for strengthening the collaboration and cooperation between multilateral environmental agreements and UNEP while respecting their independence and respective mandates, with a view to achieving progressive improvements in the state of the global environment, as well as in the provision of the means of implementation. To that end, we invite the governing bodies of multilateral environmental agreements to collaborate with the United Nations Environment Assembly, as appropriate, to promote policy coherence and its effective implementation.

OP4 Support the strengthening of **[United Nations Office in Nairobi as the only United Nations office in the global south and the headquarters of** (**ALG, RUS, BRA, IRN, MEX, DRC, KEN, COL, SSD, CHN, EGY, ZIM, CHI)] (US, CHE, EU del)** UNEP **[**with its Headquarters in Nairobi**] (ALG, RUS, BRA, IRN,MEX,DRC,KEN,COL,SSD,CHN,EGY,ZIM,CHI del) (US, MOR, MWI keep text) as well as strengthening its regional presence (DRC, KEN, COL, ZIM, CHI)** and underline the importance of universal membership to UNEP**[**'s Governing Bodies**](EU, MOR reserve)** and invite all Member States and Members of Specialized Agencies who have not yet done so, to become accredited to the Committee of the Permanent Representatives of UNEP. **[**[Strongly encourage] (US, RUS,MOR del) **invite (US, RUS,MOR)** the Governing Bodies of all the Multilateral Environmental Agreements, in particular those hosted by UNEP, to convene their meetings more frequently in Nairobi,**] (EU reserve) [provided that UNEP together with UNON ensure the necessary attractive and competitive conditions] (RUS, KEN,MOR,ALG)] (CHE, BRA,COL reserve) (MEX,US,CHI del) (BRA,COL would like to see language to strengthen UNON)**

Co-facilitators' proposal:

OP4 Support the strengthening of the United Nations Environment Programme with its headquarters in Nairobi as well as strengthening its regional presence and underline the importance of universal membership to the United Nations Environment Programme and invite all Member States and Members of Specialized Agencies who have not yet done so, to become accredited to the Committee of the Permanent Representatives of the United Nations Environment Programme. Invite the governing bodies of all the multilateral environmental agreements, in particular those hosted by the United Nations Environment Programme, to

convene their meetings more frequently at the United Nations Office in Nairobi as the only United Nations headquarters in the Global South.

OP5 **[**Stress the importance**] (CHI,CHN,CRI,IRN,MOR,ALG del)(EU,RUS keep text) [Commit to achieve (CHI,CHN,CRI,IRN,MOR,ALG)] (EU del)** of **[**achieving**] (US,GBR del) (CHN,IRN keep text) [**gender parity and **[**equitable**] (US,GBR del) (IRN,BRA,MOR,CHN,RUS,KEN keep)** geographic distribution**] (RUS,CHN,IRN,ALG, KEN swap text) of staff (EU)** in the UNEP Secretariat, **[**including**] (SA,EGY,IRN,ALG del) particularly (SA,EGY,IRN,ALG)** for **professional and (EGY,IRN,MOR)** senior level positions, and **[**request**] (EU del)(CHN keep text) welcome the commitment of (EU)** the Executive Director of UNEP to increase ongoing efforts and take effective action in this regard **[**and report progress achieved on a regular basis to the Committee of Permanent Representatives,**] (EU del)(MOR,CHN,RUS,ALG keep text)**

Co-facilitators' proposal:

OP5 Urge advancing equitable geographic distribution and gender parity of staff in the secretariat of the United Nations Environment Programme, particularly at professional and senior level positions, and welcome the commitment of the Executive Director of the United Nations Environment Programme to increase ongoing efforts and take effective action in this regard and report progress achieved on a regular basis to the Committee of Permanent Representatives.

OP 5 Bis [we reiterate our commitment to have secure stable adequate and increased financial resources form the regular budget of the United Nations to fulfil its mandate (ALG,EGY,CRI,IRN,MEX)](US,EU,GBR del)

Co-facilitators' proposal: Delete.

OP6 ***[***Reaffirm that**] (RUS del) (MWI keep text) Invite (RUS)** all Member States and Members of the Specialized Agencies, taking into account their **[**economic and social**] (US del) respective (US)**, **[**should**] (RUS del) circumstances (RUS)** to consider contribute financially to UNEP. **[**In this regard, we **[**commit**] (THA,SIN del) (ARG reserve) encourage Member States and Members of the specialized agencies (THA,SIN)** to supporting UNEP**] (RUS,THA del)** through more stable, adequate and predicable, **[**prudently managed**] (RUS del)(MWI keep text)** core contributions to the Environment Fund, [**[**based on**](RUS del) with due consideration to the (RUS)** voluntary indicative scale of contributions **[**determined for all Member States,**](RUS del)(SIN del)** and stress the need **for UNEP (RUS)** to diversify **[**UNEP's**] (RUS del) it's(RUS)** donor base by **to continue (MWI) [**encouraging**] (RUS del) working closely with (RUS)** Member States**.[** that do not regularly contribute to the Environment Fund to do so,](RUS del) **(CRI,NZL,US,EU,COL,GBR keep original text) while striving to provide non earmarked contributions (EGY,IRN)**

Co-facilitators' proposal:

OP6 Reaffirm that all Member States and Members of the Specialized Agencies, taking into account their economic and social circumstances, should contribute financially to the United Nations Environment Programme. In this regard, we commit to supporting the United Nations Environment Programme through more stable, adequate and predictable core contributions to

the Environment Fund with due consideration to the voluntary indicative scale of contributions and stress the need for the United Nations Environment Programme to prudently manage its financial resources, and diversify its donor base by encouraging Member States that do not regularly contribute to the Environment Fund to do so.

OP6 Bis Encourage UNEP, as chair of the Environment Management Group in collaboration with the other members of the Group, to continue to strengthen system-wide inter-agency coordination on the environment and to call for the active involvement and support from all of the Group in the implementation of system-wide strategies on the environment, **[agreed ad ref]**

OP7 **[**Support UNEP's key role in promoting and strengthening the science-policy interface, in order to support **[**international review processes**] (RUS,ALG,IRN,CHN del) intergovernmental debate (RUS,ALG,IRN,CHN)** and policy decisions **relating to the implementation of (US) [**for**] (US del)** international environmental law and governance, **identifying the best available science for effective environmental action and policy making (COL,CRI)** and encourage **cooperation and collaboration between the relevant scientific panels and that (EU, RUS)** formation of such panels **are (EU)** geographically and gender balanced **[**scientific community panels**] (EU del) [and commit to achieve gender parity (CHI)] (RUS,ALG,IRN del)**. Commit to investing further in environmental research**, including UNEP's own assessments, (CHE)** and make more effective use of knowledge generated by the scientific community,**] (CRI keep original with addition by COL) (GBR reserve) (BRA keep original)**

Co-facilitators' proposal:

OP7 Support United Nations Environment Programme's key role in promoting and strengthening the science-policy interface, in order to support intergovernmental debate and policy decisions relating to the implementation of international environmental law and governance, identify the best available science for effective environmental action and policy making and encourage cooperation and collaboration between the relevant scientific panels and that the formation of such panels is geographically and gender balanced. Commit to investing further in environmental research, including in United Nations Environment Programme's assessments, and make more effective use of knowledge generated by the scientific community.

OP8. Recognize the **[**importance**] (EU del) [right (EU)] (ALG, IRN reserve)** of access to information, access to public participation in decision-making processes and **[**access to justice in environmental matters**] (ALG reserve) (EU keep), in accordance with national legislation (SIN,ALG,IRN)**. We invite Member States and Members of Specialized Agencies to disseminate and share evidence-based environmental information and raise public awareness on critical, persistent and emerging environmental issues, and continue to support UNEP in developing the global environmental data strategy, **(CRI,COL, US,NZL,CHI,EU keep original)**

Co-facilitators' proposal:

OP8. Recognize the importance of access to information, access to public participation in decision-making processes and access to justice in environmental matters. We invite Member States and Members of Specialized Agencies to disseminate and share evidence-based

environmental information and raise public awareness on critical, persistent and emerging environmental issues, and continue to support the United Nations Environment Programme in developing a global environmental data strategy.

OP9. **[**Commit**] (US,EGY,ALG,IRN,THA del) Seek (US,EGY,ALG,IRN,THA)** to continuously strengthen, where needed, environmental laws, policies, and regulatory frameworks **[**at the national, regional and global level, [without regression of the level of environmental protection] (US,EGY,IRN del)(ALG reserve)**] (RUS del)**, as well as capacities across all sectors for the effective implementation of international environmental law by closing knowledge gaps, enhancing cross-sectoral coordination, improving monitoring and law enforcement, increasing political will and engaging stakeholders, in accordance with national legal systems, while acknowledging the importance of international cooperation in supporting and complementing national actions, **(CRI,EU,COL,GBR,NZL keep original)**

Co-facilitators' proposal:

OP9. Agree to continuously strengthen, where needed, environmental laws, policies, and regulatory frameworks at the national, regional and global level, with a high level of environmental protection, as well as capacities across all sectors for the effective implementation of international environmental law by closing knowledge gaps, enhancing cross-sectoral coordination, improving monitoring and law enforcement, increasing political will and engaging stakeholders, in accordance with national legal systems, while acknowledging the importance of international cooperation in supporting and complementing national actions.

OP9 bis Invite Member States and Members of Specialized Agencies to increase their support to the Fifth Montevideo Programme for the Development and Periodic Review of Environmental Law (Montevideo Programme V), for promoting the development and implementation of environmental **[**rule of**] (RUS,ALG,IRN,CHN del)** law, and strengthening Member States' capacity, upon their request, in developing and implementing the environmental **[**[rule of] (RUS,ALG,IRN,CHN del) law,**] (EU,US,GBR,CHE,COL keep original)**

Co-facilitators' proposal:

OP9 bis Invite Member States and Members of Specialized Agencies to increase their support to the Fifth Montevideo Programme for the Development and Periodic Review of Environmental Law (Montevideo Programme V), to promote the development and implementation of environmental rule of law, and strengthening Member States' capacity, upon their request, in developing and implementing the environmental rule of law.

OP10. Invite Member States and Members of Specialized Agencies, that have not yet done so, to consider ratifying relevant Multilateral Environmental Agreements and to effectively implement them, **including (US)** through the incorporation of their provisions into **[**national**] (EU del) domestic (EU)** legal systems **as appropriate (US)**,

Co-facilitators' proposal:

OP10. Invite Member States and Members of Specialized Agencies, that have not yet done so, to consider ratifying relevant multilateral environmental agreements and to effectively implement them, including through the incorporation of their provisions into domestic legal systems as appropriate.

OP10 bis **[**Call upon**](GBR,SIN del) encourage (GBR,NZL) invite(SIN)** Member States and Members of Specialized Agencies to **[**recognize**](GBR,NZL del)** and address **relevant (US,NZL) [internationally agreed] (SIN) (GBR del)** principles of international environmental law in their domestic legal systems, as appropriate, and highlight the support that can be provided through the Montevideo Programme V. **[**Encourage the cooperation to build and support capacities at all levels to recognize the role of **discussions of (GBR)** principles of international environmental law**]]**, **(US del) (THA seeks clarification on application of this para) (RUS del) (EGY,CHN,ALG,IRN replace with substantive para 8 of 73/333) (EU,CRI,COL,NOR keep original)**

Co-facilitators' proposal:

OP10 bis Call upon Member States and Members of Specialized Agencies to address relevant principles of international environmental law in their domestic legal systems, as appropriate, and highlight the support that can be provided through the Montevideo Programme V, and encourage the discussions on principles of international environmental law at all levels.

OP10 ter Commit to cooperate to strengthen capacities across all sectors for the effective implementation of international environmental law including in the administrative and justice sectors in accordance with **[**national**](EU del) domestic (EU)** legal systems while acknowledging the importance of international cooperation **and support (EGY)** in this regard,

Co-facilitators' proposal:

OP10 ter Commit to cooperate to strengthen capacities across all sectors for the effective implementation of international environmental law including in the administrative and justice sectors in accordance with domestic legal systems while acknowledging the importance of international cooperation and support in this regard.

OP11. **[**Call upon Member States and Members of the Specialized Agencies to enhance the provision, mobilization, **[**effective and efficient use**] (ARG del)** of all types and sources of means of implementation, **on the basis of common but differentiated responsibilities [in addition to the national efforts and respective capabilities] (COL, EGY,CRI,ARG,CHI,SA,ALG,IRN,CHN,MEX) (ARG, EU del)** including capacity-building, **promoting South-South and triangular cooperation (IDN, CHI,EGY,COL,MEX)** access to technology and financial support in order to support developing countries, **[**especially those most affected by environmental degradation**] (ARG,COL del),** in the implementation of national environmental policies in the areas in which they require it and complementing their national efforts, consistent with the 2030 Agenda for Sustainable Development and the Addis Ababa Action Agenda of the Third International Conference on Financing for Development, as well as existing commitments **and pledges (EGY,SA,ALG,IRN,CHN)** under the various Multilateral Environmental Agreements **[and to make optimal use of existing financial mechanisms and funds,**

including the global environmental facility]] (CHE,CHI)(US del whole para) (EGY del) (GBR,EU, CHE,JPN keep original)

[Bis Urge all **(CHI) [developed] (CHI del) member states to fulfil their commitments under relevant multilateral environmental agreements to provide new and additional** and predictable **(SA,ALG,IRN) financial resources** according to the national capacities **(CHI) and adequate means of implementation to assist developing countries in implementing the environmental objectives] (ARG, IRN) (EU, US del)**

[Alt Urge developed member states to fulfil their commitments under relevant multilateral environmental agreements to provide new and additional financial resources and adequate means of implementation to assist developing countries in implementing the environmental objectives consistent with the principle of common but differentiated responsibilities, the 2030 agenda for sustainable development, the Addis Ababa Agenda of the Third international conference for financing for development, ensuring predictable and transparent financial flows and enhancing North- South, South- South and triangular partnerships to support capacity building scientific and technical cooperation and technology transfer] (BRA, ARG) (GBR,EU, US del)

Co-facilitators' proposal:

OP11. Call upon Member States and Members of the Specialized Agencies to enhance the provision, mobilization, effective and efficient use of all types and sources of means of implementation, including capacity-building, access to technology and financial support and promoting global partnerships, in order to support developing countries, especially those most affected by environmental degradation, in the implementation of national environmental policies in the areas in which they require it and complementing their national efforts, consistent with the 2030 Agenda for Sustainable Development and the Addis Ababa Action Agenda of the Third International Conference on Financing for Development. Invite all Member States to fulfil their commitments under relevant multilateral environmental agreements in the light of respective capacities and circumstances.

OP12. **[**Commit to **] (EGY,THA, IRN del) (EU keep) Consider (EGY, THA, IRN) [**exploring the potential for**] (EU del) the effective use of (EU)** domestic **[**environmental**] (EGY, EU, IRN del) [**financial resources**] (US del) (BRA, EU, IRN, KEN keep) (THA need clarification)[**through policy reviews**] (EGY, EU del)** and **[**develop**] (US del) explore (US)** further innovative **[**financial mechanisms**] (US, EU del) (BRA, IRN keep)** including through enhanced collaboration with the private sector, to advance the implementation of the environmental dimension of sustainable development, taking into consideration **[**readiness, priorities and **[**national circumstances of Member States and **Member states of specialised agencies (CHN)** Members of **[**Specialised Agencies, and**] (EU del) (NZL keep original language member states text) taking into consideration the need for balanced and holistic implementation with economic and social dimensions and poverty eradication efforts, [(EGY, BRA, IRN, KEN) [**that **[**developing countries**] (EU del)** may need**] further highlighting the critical** importance **(BRA)** of enhanced International **[**cooperation**] (EU del) support (EU) [**in addition**] (EU del)** to **complement (EU)** their **[**national**] (EU del)** efforts, **[**for addressing **[**their**] (BRA del) the (BRA)** challenges and financial constraints, **]](EU del)**

(SA del) to mobilise domestical resources (EU) [**of developing countries, in addition to their national efforts]] (BRA) (EU del) GBR reserve, GBR agree to EU changes except last, ALG keep original text with EGY comnets**

Co-facilitators' proposal:

OP12. Commit to exploring the potential for domestic financial resources and innovative financial instruments, including through enhanced collaboration with the private sector, to advance the holistic and balanced implementation of the environmental dimension of sustainable development, taking into consideration that developing countries may need enhanced international cooperation and support to complement their efforts to mobilise domestic resources.

OP13 [[Invite the Executive Director of UNEP to develop**] (RUS del), in consultation with the Committee of Permanent Representatives (BRA)** options for modalities for a support center, **[**a mechanism**] (BRA,EU del) to provide assistance (BRA) [**to support**] (BRA del)** Member States **in particular developing countries] (BRA) (RUS del) Request the executive director of UNEP to provide support to the member states (RUS)** at the national level upon their request to **[**improve implementation of their environmental objectives, international environmental law and the environmental dimension of the 2030 Agenda, including on**] (BRA del)** access to scientific information, technologies, technical assistance**, technology transfer scientific and technical cooperation (BRA)** and financial resources from all sources**, with a view to contributing to the implementation of the environmental objectives, international environmental law and environmental dimension of the 2030 agenda, (BRA)** taking into account national circumstances and efforts, while ensuring complementarity with the work of treaty bodies. **[**Request the Executive Director of UNEP to present options for the modalities of such mechanism for the consideration of UNEA at its sixth session**,]] (RUS del) (US, GBR, CHE del)**

Co-facilitators' proposal:

OP13 Invite the Executive Director of United Nations Environment Programme to identify further options for providing assistance to Member States upon their request to improve implementation of their environmental objectives, international environmental law and the environmental dimension of the 2030 Agenda at the national level, including the access to scientific information, technologies, technical assistance and financial resources, while ensuring complementarity with the work of treaty bodies.

OP14. **[**Invite**] (EU del) Call upon (EU, ARG)** Member States and Members of the Specialized Agencies to make **[**optimal**] (EU del) Effective and efficient (EU, BRA, ARG, IRN, EGY)** use of existing financial mechanisms and funds, [**and to consider alternatives to streamline their current access procedures and modalities to provide developing member states [**to**](RUS del) adequate and timely access to resources] (BRA, ALG, ARG, IRN, EGY, SA, RUS, CHI) (US del) (GBR, EU reserve)** for purposes of implementing international
environmental law and improving the status of the global environment, **[**especially**] (BRA, ALG, ARG, IRN del) (CHI keep)** in promoting **[**environmentally**] (BRA, ARG, IRN, CHN**

del) (CRI, GBR, IDN, NZL keep text) economically and socially (IDN, CHN) sustainable **and resilient (EU)** recovery from the COVID-19 pandemic. We call on the United Nations to **[**ensure**] (US del) facilitate (US) [**optimal**] (EU del) Effective and efficient (EU)** use and access to existing financial instruments in order to support Member States and **Members of Specialised Agencies (NZL, EGY) [**capacity building**] (EU del) Capacities to access (EU)**, financing **,capacity building (EGY)**and technology transfers **, [on voluntary and mutually agreed terms] (US, EU) (CHN del) (EGY reserve)** with a special focus on the needs of **[**developing countries**]** [**the poorest and vulnerable] (EU) (ARG, del) (IRN, EGY, CHI, SA, IDN, CHN keep original developing countries)**

Co-facilitators' proposal:

OP14. Call on the United Nations to facilitate effective and efficient use, and adequate and timely access to existing financial instruments in order to support Member States' and Members of Specialised Agencies' access to capacity building and technology transfers on voluntary and mutually agreed terms, with a special focus on the needs of developing countries. Call upon Member States and Members of the Specialized Agencies to make effective and efficient use of existing financial mechanisms and funds, for purposes of implementing international environmental law and improving the status of the global environment in promoting environmentally, economically and socially sustainable and resilient recovery from the COVID-19 pandemic.

OP15. Encourage the active and meaningful engagement of all relevant stakeholders **[**in a geographically and gender balanced manner**] (GBR del) (CHI keep text)**, **recognising the importance of geographical and gender balance (GBR))** by facilitating their **[**full and**] (RUS del)** effective participation **, in UNEP's activities (ALG, RUS).[** and support strengthening the **[ability of] (US) (CHN, ALG reserve) [**presence**] (US, CRI, RUS,PAN del)** of major groups and other stakeholders **to participate (US, EU, CRI, PAN) (CHN, ALG reserve)** in UNEP **meetings (US, EU, CRI, PAN) (CHN, ALG reserve) [**headquarters in Nairobi.**]] (US, EU, CRI, PAN del) (BRA reserve) (RUS del)** We commit to continue exploring new ways to promote transparency and the effective engagement of civil society including using digital means, (**CHN, RUS seeks clarification on participation of meetings)** (**Reference indigenous peoples (CRI, NZL, MEX, PAN, CHI, COL) (RUS keep original text)**

Co-facilitators' proposal:

OP15. Encourage the active and meaningful engagement of all relevant stakeholders, including indigenous peoples and local communities, and strengthen the ability of major groups and stakeholders to participate in United Nations Environment Programme meetings and activities in a geographically and gender balanced manner. We commit to continue exploring new ways to promote transparency and the effective engagement of civil society including using digital means.

OP15 Bis. [CHE, EU placeholder to provide text re. UNEP We Want report]

[Welcome] (RUS, CHN del) Taking note of **(RUS,CHN) the report, the UNEP We Want prepared by the major groups and stakeholders that provides [recommendations] (RUS, CHN del)** proposals **(RUS, CHN) towards a more inclusive and impactful UNEP. (EU) (US, RUS, CHE, CHN preambular para)**

Co-facilitators' proposal:

OP15 Bis. Take note of the report, "The UNEP We Want" prepared by major groups and stakeholders that provides proposals towards a more inclusive and impactful United Nations Environment Programme.