



***Written comments of the Delegation of Ukraine
on the zero draft ministerial declaration
(UNEA-7)***

Propose to reword paragraph 4 (a) as follows:

«Strengthen international cooperation to mitigate transboundary pollution issues, prioritize the development of advanced monitoring systems to effectively track and manage these issues across borders, ensuring a science-driven approach to pollution control and environmental resilience, emphasizing on the **tremendous negative** effects of **armed** conflicts and call for their environmental evaluation and rehabilitation.»;

Add to paragraph 4 paragraph 4 (a) bis as follows:

«Aware that armed conflicts can undermine effective environmental management, and that environmental degradation in situations of armed conflict and post-conflict, can impact human health, wellbeing and livelihoods. Calling for further strengthening of effective, inclusive and sustainable environmental assistance in conflict recovery and sustainable development in areas affected by armed conflicts.»;

Propose to reword paragraph 4 (i) as follows:

“Call for the strengthening disaster risk governance to manage natural and manmade hazards by integrating disaster risk reduction into policies, programmes, and investments at all levels, and calling for enhanced support for Least Developed Countries (LDCs), Landlocked Developing Countries (LLDCs), Small Islands Developing States (SIDS), and countries facing specific challenges, **especially those, severely affected by armed conflicts.**».