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International environmental policy and governance issues

Compilation of statements and recommendations by major groups and stakeholders from Africa, West Asia, Europe, Asia and the Pacific and Latin America and the Caribbean for consideration by the United Nations Environment Assembly at its resumed fifth session

Note by the secretariat

1. The annex to the present note sets out the outcomes of regional consultative meetings of major groups and stakeholders in Africa, West Asia, Europe, Asia and the Pacific and Latin America and the Caribbean that were held in 2021 in preparation for the resumed fifth session of the United Nations Environment Assembly of the United Nations Environment Programme. The North American region did not hold regional consultations in 2021 but did convene extensive consultations in 2020 in preparation for the online and in-person meetings of the fifth session.¹ The statements, key messages and recommendations of the regional consultative meetings are reproduced as received, without formal editing.

2. The meetings that led to the preparation of these documents included consultations on the theme of the fifth session, "Strengthening actions for nature to achieve the Sustainable Development Goals", and on other issues such as "A sustainable recovery from the COVID-19 pandemic and achieving the SDGs", "Plastic and marine pollution", "Chemical pollution and waste management", "UNEP@50" and "Stockholm+50".

3. Some of the statements and recommendations were or will be submitted to regional ministerial forums for their consideration, including the African Ministerial Conference on the Environment (AMCEN) at its eighteenth session, the fourth session of the Forum of Ministers and Environment Authorities of Asia Pacific and the ministerial preparatory consultation on the in-person meeting of the

^{*} In accordance with the decisions taken by the Bureau of the United Nations Environment Assembly at its meeting held on 8 October 2020 and by the bureaux of the United Nations Environment Assembly and the Committee of Permanent Representatives at their joint meeting held on 1 December 2020, the fifth session of the Environment Assembly was adjourned on 23 February 2021 and is expected to resume as an in-person meeting in February 2022.

^{**} UNEP/EA.5/1/Rev.2.

¹ "North American regional input to UNEA-5", available at

https://wedocs.unep.org/bitstream/handle/20.500.11822/34870/North%20American%20Regional%20Input%20to %20UNEA-5%2c%20final.pdf?sequence=6&isAllowed=y.

fifth session of the Environment Assembly for the West Asia region as well as the Forum of Ministers of Environment of Latin America and the Caribbean at its special session planned for January 2022.

Annex

Compilation of statements and recommendations by major groups and stakeholders

- I. Regional report from Africa
- II. Regional report and recommendations from West Asia
- **III.** Regional report from Europe
- IV. Regional report from Asia and the Pacific
- V. Regional report from Latin America and the Caribbean