

Committee of Permanent Representatives
Bureau Meeting
Tuesday 7 March 2017, 12:30 p.m. – 1:00 p.m.
CW-114 (Behind Conference Room 1)
United Nations Office in Nairobi

MEETING SUMMARY

1. Opening of the meeting

1. H.E. Ms. Julia Pataki, Chair of the Committee of Permanent Representatives, Ambassador and Permanent Representative of Romania, chaired the meeting, in which the following participated:

Committee of Permanent Representatives Bureau members

- H.E. Mr. John Moreti, High Commissioner and Permanent Representative of Botswana, Vice Chair, Africa Group;
 - H.E. Mr. Raza Bashir Tarar, High Commissioner and Permanent Representative of Pakistan, Vice Chair, Asia-Pacific Group
 - H.E. Ms. Marcela M. Nicodemos, Ambassador and Permanent Representative, Vice Chair, Group of Latin America and Caribbean States;
 - Mr. Toni Sandell, Deputy Permanent Representative of Finland, Rapporteur, Western European and Other States Group
2. The Secretariat was represented by:
 - Mr. Ibrahim Thiaw, Deputy Executive Director, UN Environment Programme;
 - Mr. Jorge Laguna-Celis, Secretary of Governing Bodies, Director, Governance Affairs Office;
 - Ms. Rosemary Mukasa, Deputy Secretary of Governing Bodies;

2. Agenda Item 2: Visit to the United Nations Office in Nairobi of United Nations Secretary General, H.E. Mr. António Guterres

3. The Deputy Executive Director informed the meeting that the United Nations Secretary General H.E. Mr. António Guterres, would visit the United Nations Office at Nairobi. He would hold a Town Hall meeting with the staff on Wednesday 8 March 2017 from 4:00 p.m. to 4:45 p.m. in Conference Room 2. The Bureau was notified because the visit of the

Secretary General would interfere with the programme of the 4th Annual Subcommittee meeting since UN staff members were required to attend the Town hall meeting.

4. The Bureau asked the Secretariat to request the Secretary General's Office for a meeting with members of the Bureau. The Deputy Executive Director informed the meeting that the Secretariat had requested the Secretary General's Office to consider including in his schedule brief participation in the 4th Annual Subcommittee meeting. He undertook to communicate the request for a Bureau meeting and provide a response to both requests as soon as possible.
5. The Bureau welcomed the Secretary General's possible presence at the 4th Annual Subcommittee meeting, which would enhance the visibility of the Environment Assembly. It agreed that to accommodate the Town hall meeting, on Wednesday 8 March 2017, the Annual Sub-Committee meeting would hold its morning meeting from 9:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m., take a lunchbreak from 12:00 pm to 1:00 pm and hold its afternoon Session from 1:00 p.m. to 3:45p.m. An announcement to this effect would be made to Member States at the end of the Tuesday afternoon session.
6. The meeting ended at 1:00 p.m.