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The Permanent Mission of the Republic of Iraq to UNEP present its compliments to the United Nations Environment and has the honor to refer to our NV No. ERI-N/141/04/17 dated 28 April 2017 regarding the intention to table a draft resolution during the third session of United Nations Environment Assembly (UNEA-3).

The proposed title of the draft resolution will be

**(Pollution control in areas affected by terrorist operations and armed conflicts)**

The Government of the Republic of Iraq believe that the importance of tabling this draft resolution as the subject of environment and security becomes increasingly significant over the past decade, and as a result the General Assembly of the United nations issued number of resolutions in this regard, in addition to assigning the Special Rapporteur appointed by ILC (International Law Commission) for the topic entitled "Protection of the Environment in relation to Armed conflicts". This subject also attracted attention when the terrorists groups like the so called "The Islamic State in Iraq and Levant" (Da'esh) targeted the environment and caused massive pollution as part of their strategy to disperse terror among innocent people.

The Permanent Mission of the Republic of Iraq to UNEP avails itself of this opportunity to renew to the United Nations Environment, the assurance of its highest consideration.

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