

Joint meeting of the Bureaux of UN Environment Assembly and
Committee of Permanent Representatives
14 September 2017
5.30 p.m to 6.45 p.m.
United Nations Office at Nairobi Gigiri,
Executive Office Boardroom
Agenda Item 3.c

**Note by the Secretariat on the Funding Status of the UN
Environment 2017 Assembly.**

The Secretariat submits a note on the funding status of the 2017 Assembly. The Secretariat, suggests that the joint bureaux meeting consider the items under Agenda item 3: Preparations for the 2017 United Nations Environment Assembly, at the Joint meeting of the Bureaux of UN Environment Assembly and Committee of Permanent Representatives, to be held on 14 September 2017.

Members of both bureaux are invited to continue to support fund raising efforts to bridge the current funding gap.

1) Pledges towards the UN Environment 2017 Assembly.

The total contribution of pledges received amount to US \$1,582,924

2) Countries and Groups.

Countries and groups which have pledged financial contributions towards the UN Environment 2017 Assembly are as follows:

- Australia
- European Commission
- Finland
- France
- Konrad Adenauer Foundation, Germany
- Nordic Council
- Norway
- Philippines
- Romania
- South Africa
- Sweden
- Switzerland

3) Shortfall to the closing of the funding gap

As at 11 September 2017, Extra Budgetary Resources, pledged or received, amounted to US \$ 982,924 of the planned budget; leaving us with a deficit of US \$ 229,137 to close the funding gap.

4) Appeal to close the funding gap

Appeal from the President of the UN Environment Assembly and the Executive Director of UN Environment Programme to all Member States, including selected Developing Countries, to make financial contributions in order to have a successful 2017 Environment Assembly.

5) Analysis of UN Environment 2017 Assembly budget

UN Environment 2017 Assembly budget is intended to be funded 30% by the Environment Fund and 70% by extra budgetary funds. Participants comprise of: 48 Least Developing Countries, 32 Developing Countries and 50 representatives of Major Groups & Stakeholders.

6) Achieved savings on activities

Savings have been achieved on the following activities of the UN Environment 2017 Assembly:

- Rationalized use of documentation as well as other initiatives such as reduction in the number of pages, translation services and conference services cost.
- Saving in travel costs by getting discounts from different Airlines.
- Total savings so far as above are estimated at US \$187,940.

UNEA - 3 2017 Budget Cost Estimates				
3 days of OECPR and 3 days of UNEA Back to back				
Item	UNEA	OECPR	MG	Total
	USD	USD	USD	USD
1 UNON Conference Service costs	693,701	103,679	32,020	829,400
2 Support to Participants from LDCs & DCs	124,800	364,543	-	489,343
3 Major Groups participation costs	46,800	182,100	-	228,900
4 Other costs	188,922	75,496	-	264,418
Total	1,054,223	725,818	32,020	1,812,060

UNEA-3 Funding Sources	
Funding Sources vs % of the Total Budget	Total USD
Regular Budget	-
Environment fund Reserve (approx.30%)	543,618
Extra Budgetary Resources (approx.70%)	1,268,442
Total Budget	1,812,060
Funding Sources	
Donor/Source	Pledges (USD)
1 European Commission	500,000
2 Nordic Council	120,000
3 France	41,399
4 Finland	54,472
5 Konrad Adenauer Foundation, Germany	59,697
6 Sweden	55,000
7 South Africa	10,000
8 Australia	14,805
8 Romania	50,000
9 Philippines	5,000
10 Norway	51,571
11 Switzerland	20,980
12 Programme Reserve Allocation	300,000
13 UNEA2 Savings	300,000
Total resources	1,582,924
Deficit	229,137