

Singapore's comments – Consultations of the Ministerial Declaration,
4 Oct 2017

- Singapore would like to thank the UNEA President and Costa Rica for the efforts in putting together the preliminary draft of the Ministerial Declaration of UNEA-3.
 - We welcome the preliminary draft that has been prepared.
 - We see value in this draft declaration as well as the process working towards it.
 - We understand that reaching a consensus to a Ministerial Declaration is not an easy task.
 - But we should still try to work towards it as a Ministerial Declaration demonstrates the collective commitment of governments in addressing the issue of pollution.
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- We have some comments to the draft and have shared it with the Secretariat.
 - We want to share one quick comment at this consultations now.
 - We are of the view that addressing transboundary forms of pollution is as important as addressing domestic sources of pollution.
 - This is given that pollution originating from one area may affect the environment of other areas, including across countries.
 - Therefore, it is useful for the Ministerial Declaration of UNEA-3 to draw attention to the need to address transboundary forms of pollution through strengthen intergovernmental cooperation.