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To

Minister of Environment of Estonia  
President of the UN Environment Assembly

N° 1837 -18 /MEEF/SG/DGE.

**SUBJECT** : Draft Outline for the Ministerial Outcome Document of the next Environment Assembly

**Réf** : Letter dated 08 August 2018

Dear Minister,

Following up on your above referenced on draft outline of the Ministerial outcome document of the next Environment Assembly, please find below the improvements made by Madagascar:

**Main priority 1: Ensure the transparency, accountability and comparability of global environmental data and develop science-policy-business partnership on innovative data technologies and digital solutions**

a) Add the following point:

Support the development at the country level by a strategic information system plan, and to addressing the needs of sustainable environmental management

**Main priority 2: Foster sustainable and efficient resource management by promoting decarbonisation, detoxification and decoupling of resource use, to enhance ecosystem resilience and protection of the planet's natural systems**

a) Add the following four points:

- Support the promotion and popularization of ecological alternatives to support the sustainable management of natural resources and the maintenance of ecosystem integrity
- Support the development and effective implementation of integrated plans for the management and efficient use of water resources which contribute to sustainable development and the fight against poverty
- Promote cooperation in the field of marine scientific research with a view to maximizing the benefits from the conservation and sustainable exploitation of the seas and their resources
- Create the necessary conditions for the establishment of a global mechanism for the transfer of sustainable technologies such as low-carbon technologies

b) The following points are to be rewarded as follow:

- Maximize the benefits of sound waste management with the special focus on food, plastics, electrical and electronic waste, radioactive waste and marine litter. Particular attention should be paid to the development of the waste recovery / recycling system in order to achieve their environmentally sound management (including the provision of adequate resources)

- Accelerate and activate sustainable and innovative financing opportunities and ensure access to all to transparent funding of eco-innovative solutions

Develop a Strategic Approach to International Chemicals Management (SAICM) beyond 2020 and promote the sharing of knowledge, experience and good practice in the environmentally sound management of chemicals to ensure non toxic material cycles and healthier products

**Main priority 3: Support robust engagement of civil society, citizens and academy in promoting innovations approaches for meeting global environmental challenges and sustainable production and consumption**

The following points are to be rewarded as follow:

- Allocate adequate resources to research and development, including capacity building of research centers and laboratory, to drive innovation for the environment as well as the dissemination of innovative research results

- Engage citizens in improving their local urban environment green infrastructures and nature based solutions to guide them in the creation of ecological villages

- Promote and raise awareness for sustainable tourism, sustainable transport, sustainable consumption patterns and eco-citizenship

I wish you good reception.

Accept, Sir, the expression of my best regards.



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