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The Permanent Mission of the Islamic Republic of Pakistan presents its compliments to the Secretariat of the United Nations Environment Programme (UNEP) in Nairobi and with reference to the draft Ministerial Declaration of the 2019 UN Environment Assembly titled "Innovative solutions for environment challenges and sustainable consumption and production" has the honour to convey the following comments:

- 1) It is important to make the text a political declaration and to avoid technicalities.
- 2) The document should be comprehensible for the average citizen.
- 3) Document should be --- with clear messaging.

With reference to Main Priority-1 subpara (a) the Mission wishes to underline the importance of clarity as to which "relevant UN bodies" would be involved. Secondly, what would be the composition of proposed international "High Level Multi-sectoral Task Force" and what would be the source of funding. In regard to data collection how are we going to cater for allied security concerns?

With regard to Main Priority-1 subpara (e), can UNEA empower the disclosure of consumer information?

With reference to Main Priority-1 subpara (f), how is the dedicated programme for global Environment Data Management to be established, Executive Director to be funded?

With regard to Main Priority-2, we would need to ensure that UNEA does not encroach(s) domain of other UN entities.

With regard to Main Priority-3 we need to ensure that the input of Civil Society representation is received well ahead of UNEP/UNEA meetings to ensure that it is factored into deliberations of the Member States.

The Permanent Mission of the Islamic Republic of Pakistan avails itself of this opportunity to renew to the Secretariat of the United Nations Environment Programme, the

assurances of its highest consideration.

Secretariat of the

United Nations Environment Programme (UNEP)

Nairobi

Atten: Mr. Jorge Laguna-Celis, Secretary of Governing Bodies.