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4/21. Implementation plan "Towards a pollution-free planet"

The United Nations Environment Assembly,

Recalling the outcomes of its third session, including resolutions, voluntary commitments and the ministerial declaration entitled "Towards a pollution-free planet",¹ which responded to the need for commitment and leadership from all actors in moving towards a pollution-free planet, and in particular the request therein to the Executive Director of the United Nations Environment Programme to build on those outcomes and prepare an implementation plan on the issue, in consultation with the Committee of Permanent Representatives, for consideration by the Environment Assembly at its fourth session,

Recalling also General Assembly resolution 73/260 of 22 December 2018, which reaffirmed that addressing pollution was a crucial element for implementing the 2030 Agenda for Sustainable Development² and achieving the Sustainable Development Goals,

1. *Welcomes* the implementation plan "Towards a pollution-free planet"³ proposed by the Executive Director, which was developed in consultation with Member States, and recognizes it as the vehicle for prompt implementation of the objectives of the ministerial declaration, relevant resolutions of the Environment Assembly and voluntary commitments;

2. *Encourages* all Member States and relevant stakeholders to contribute to the effective implementation thereof;

3. *Invites* Member States and others in a position to do so to provide extrabudgetary financial resources to support the implementation of the present resolution;

4. *Requests* the Executive Director to coordinate and monitor the delivery of the implementation plan in the context of the current and relevant future programmes of work and budget of the Environment Programme, with input from Member States and other stakeholders;

¹ UNEP/EA.3/HLS.1.

² General Assembly resolution 70/1.

³ UNEP/EA.4/3.

5. *Also requests* the Executive Director to fully and effectively leverage the capacity of the regional and subregional offices of the United Nations Environment Programme and its partnerships with other relevant United Nations bodies and partners in contributing to the delivery of the implementation plan;

6. *Further requests* the Executive Director to report on the progress made in relation to the implementation plan in the reporting by the United Nations Environment Programme on its programme of work and budget to the meetings of the Annual Subcommittee of the Committee of Permanent Representatives.