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The Permanent Mission of Mexico acknowledges receipt of the Chair’s compromised text and fifth revised version (in track changes) of the contribution of the UN Environment Assembly to the 2020 High-Level Political Forum.

In this regard, we kindly propose to incorporate the following wording (in italics) to what has already been proposed on page 6 of the aforementioned document, under item d) Address the lack of adequate resources, enforcement, implementation & compliance of environmental law:

*Inclusive and effective environmental governance may be undermined by a range of international, regional and national factors. Weak governance, and the lack of appropriate regulations and actions at all those levels, in turn, increase the risk of illicit exploitation of national and wildlife resources and damage to the natural environment. The impact of this most severely affects the vulnerable countries and communities.*

We hope that this addition enables us to reach the consensus necessary for the document to be submitted to the UNEA President for his consideration and onward transmission to the President of ECOSOC.

Finally, the Permanent Mission of Mexico would appreciate if the Member States breaking the silence procedure are made known to the membership in the future.”