

**INTERVENTION BY THE DEMOCRATIC REPUBLIC OF THE CONGO (The D.R.Congo)
ON CLUSTER 2 agenda item: “Means of implementation” DURING THE FIRST
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The D.R.Congo takes this opportunity to congratulate once again the Co-Facilitators of this process.

As far as *means of implementation* of Multilateral Environment Agreements (MEAs) are concerned, The D.R.Congo believes that implementation of MEAs can generate benefits that exceed the costs of doing so. And, Developing Countries continue to face challenges when it comes to speak about *the means of implementation*. Although Governments, at national level, can call for an increased mobilization of domestic budgets, there is still a need for external fund support, in term of international cooperation.

The D.R.Congo wishes to highlight that the means of implementation we are referring to are complementary to the means of implementation as outlined in the Sustainable Development Goal 17 (SDG 17) and its targets, which aim at *“strengthening means of implementation”* and, which focus on *finance, technology, capacity-building, trade and systematic issues*.

In regard to the implementation of Multilateral Environment Agreements, we believe that UNEP has an important role to play in taking actions that can enhance ambitious of all means of implementations.

I thank you Co-chair.