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The Permanent Mission of the People's Democratic Republic of Algeria in Nairobi presents its compliments to the United Nations Environment Programme (Secretariat) and further to the letter transmitted by the President of the UN Environment Assembly (UNEA-5) and Minister of Climate and Environment of Norway, H.E.Mr. Sveinung Rotevatn, dated July 29<sup>th</sup>, 2020, inviting Member States to provide written proposals on how to further develop the draft outline document on the theme of the UN environment Assembly, "*Strengthening actions for Nature to achieve the Sustainable Development Goals*", has the honor to forward, herewith, Algeria's suggestions on the matter.

The Permanent Mission of the People's Democratic Republic of Algeria in Nairobi avails itself of this opportunity to renew to the United Nations Environment Programme (Secretariat), the assurances of its highest consideration.

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to be the name of the representative of the Algerian mission.

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United Nations Environment Programme  
Secretariat  
Nairobi



Algeria's suggestions on how to further develop the draft  
outline document on the theme of the UN environment Assembly  
*"Strengthening actions for Nature to achieve the Sustainable Development Goals"*

Algeria appreciates and recognizes the valuable efforts of UNEA Presidency to reflect and reconcile Member States' contributions for the production of a well **balanced** and **relatively short document**, alongside with the concern of bringing about **concrete** and **action-oriented** proposals.

With all due appreciation for the inclusion of some of Algeria's proposals, as initial inputs to specified questions, to enrich the draft document on the Ministerial Declaration of UNEA-5.

Nevertheless, and given the **urgency** linked to the **environmental crisis**, coupled with the perceived **readiness** of Member States, backed by UNEA-5 Presidency **willingness**, to develop an **ambitious** and "**daring**" document, Algeria believes that there is a crucial need to reflect in the Ministerial Declaration few core principles to be highlighted in **clear** and **engaging** terms.

To best serve the theme of UNEA-5, as well as its promising projections, the Ministerial Declaration would benefit from the inclusion in it of the following elements:

- The well recognized principles of **common but differentiated responsibilities** regarding the environmental/climatic crisis;
  - **Strengthening knowledge sharing** and dissemination of **best practices** for the achievement of Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs), in particular for the benefit of developing countries;
  - Improvement of **technical skills**, and providing technical support, as well as **know-how** for developing countries;
  - Provision of assistance to developing countries regarding **means of implementation** (financing, technology transfer and capacity building);
  - **Interrelatedness** of "**culture-nature**" and the impact of climate change and biodiversity loss on the **world's natural "heritage"**.
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