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| From: | General Secretariat of the Council |
| To: | Permanent Representatives Committee (Part 1) |
| Subject: | Attendance of a third party at the Working Party on International Environment Issues (Int. Chemicals/Synergies) on 17 May 2024 |
| | - Approval |

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1. The UN Environment Assembly adopted at its resumed fifth session (UNEA-5.2) in March 2022 Resolution 5/8 which provided for the establishment of a Science-Policy Panel on a Science Policy Panel on Chemicals, Waste and Pollution Prevention, and set up an Ad Hoc Open-Ended Working Group (OEWG) to prepare proposals for the Science-Policy Panel by the end of 2024.
2. At the meeting of the Working Party on International Environment Issues (Int.Chemicals/Synergies) of 17 May 2024, the Presidency intends to prepare the third session of the Ad Hoc Open-Ended Working Group (OEWG-3), which will be held in Geneva, Switzerland, from 17 to 21 June 2024.
3. The Presidency considers that it is in the interest of the Council to allow **DELETED**, the UNEP Secretariat Principal Coordinator for the OEWG, to inform the Working Party on International Environment Issues (Int. Chemicals/Synergies) on the latest arrangements, the timetable, and expectations in relation to the intersessional work and other relevant information relating to the OEWG-3.

4. The Presidency therefore intends to invite **DELETED** to remotely attend the meeting of the Working Party on International Environment Issues (Int. Chemicals/Synergies) of 17 May 2024 to intervene under the agenda item devoted to the preparation of OEWG-3.
5. The Permanent Representatives Committee is invited to approve this attendance, in accordance with its responsibilities under the Council's Rules of Procedure.
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