



### **Statement on Item 14**

Mr. President,

Poland would like to thank the Legal and Technical Commission for its excellent work and contribution to the preparation of guidance and regulation for Regional Environmental Management Plans. We would like to provide full support to the identification and designation of sites in need of protection. Poland, as a contractor, is involved in environmental studies and the development of guidelines which are critical for exploration and further exploitation.

We appreciate contribution of delegations of Germany, the Netherlands and Costa Rica in development standardized tool and we recognize the room for further work and development of the REMPs.

Poland supports Norway in that the LTC should be responsible for preparation of REMPs, with contribution of external experts.

Thank you Mr. President.