

Republic of Poland – statement on Item 6

Mr President,

Poland would like to thank to the Government of Jamaica and the Secretariat for your hospitality and efforts to organise this session at unusual circumstances.

Poland fully supports Canada, Australia, Norway, New Zealand, Germany and other countries in their statements about Russian aggression on Ukraine. And we thank for Czech Republic for join statement for European Union countries.

Regarding Item 6 of the agenda: Poland believes that the issue of the LTC election mechanism is important to agree as soon as possible. At this matter the role of the informal working group is crucial. From the very beginning Poland efficiently participate in negotiations, presenting a very constructive position. In the spirit of a broad participation of member states, we proposed Czech Republic to take part in the informal working group as a EEG representative.

Poland would like to promote equal participation of countries from the EEG in the working organs of the Council, having in mind that EEG is usually under-represented during the sessions and the participation shouldn't be dominated by any EEG member and no country should have special privileges. We believe, that all countries shall have equal rights to participate in informal contact group. We still believe, that we will reach the consensus which allow to fully represent EEG in the informal contact group.

Thank you Mr President