

STATEMENT OF THE REPUBLIC OF TURKEY

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Agenda Item 12: UNIDO activities in energy and environment

Thank you Madam / Mr. Chairperson,

First of all, we would like to thank Director General for his report entitled “UNIDO Activities in the Environment and Energy” and the UNIDO Secretariat for their efforts to move UNIDO forward during these extraordinary circumstances. We hope that UNIDO and its projects will be instrumental during the recovery process.

This process is an opportunity for all Member States to pursue their objectives for greener and more sustainable environment. We express our support and appreciation to UNIDO for its work, particularly on energy and environment field. Our Permanent Mission and relevant institutions in Turkey regularly attend events organized on energy and environment, such as Vienna Energy Forum and Circular Economy consultation group.

Turkey and UNIDO have a strong relation that spans over decades. Many projects have been completed. There are also several ongoing projects which are currently carried out in Turkey in energy and environment sectors.

As of February 2020, the total capacity of renewable energy power stations in Turkey reached 45 GW, which represents approximately 49 percent of the total installed capacity.

We would like to express that Turkey will keep investing in renewable and green energy and looking forward to new opportunities and partnerships. We will continue to contribute to the SDG 13 to make our world greener.

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