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### Executive Committee

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**Latest developments in the region of the Economic Commission for Europe**

## **Decision relating to latest developments in the region of the Economic Commission for Europe**

**Submitted by Ukraine**

**Cosponsored by the European Union and its Member States**

### *Draft Decision*

1. Recalling the United Nations General Assembly resolution ES-11/1 “Aggression against Ukraine” and recalling decision ECE/EX/2022/L.6 relating to “Latest development in the region of the Economic Commission for Europe”, the Executive Committee (EXCOM) decides to suspend until further notice extra-budgetary project ECE-E390, “Strengthening capacities of selected UNECE member States in sustainable and harmonious management of natural resources”, as further information concerning the sources of funding and the related due diligence are needed to confirm that the involved entities are not linked to activities undermining the territorial integrity and sovereignty of Ukraine.
2. EXCOM further decides, following the assessment of the information provided by the secretariat, that the secretariat may proceed with the implementation of all ongoing extra-budgetary projects except ECE-E390.
3. The Economic Commission for Europe (ECE) shall cooperate with member States in assessing if the third parties, whether entities, individuals or group of individuals, selected by the United Nations to be recipients of funds in connection with the implementation of the respective extra-budgetary project, fall under the scope of restrictive measures of one or several of ECE member States. In the event that such recipient would fall under the scope of such restrictive measures, the ECE secretariat shall promptly inform EXCOM.
4. EXCOM also requests that the secretariat continue updating the overview of projects as submitted on 31 March 2022, and that the overview be published on the EXCOM website at regular intervals.
5. EXCOM also requests that in future, when extra-budgetary projects are tabled for approval by EXCOM and where due diligence is required, the secretariat shall confirm that due diligence has taken place, sufficient information was provided, and no inconsistencies were found.



6. EXCOM reiterates its request that all committees and subsidiary bodies take into account the ongoing Russian Federation's aggression and gross violation of international law when deciding on nominations to the leadership positions, including chairmanship and seats on bureau and steering committees, and invitations to events of the Economic Commission for Europe.

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