REPORT OF THE SEEA EDITOR

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INTRODUCTION

- Work to date on SEEA revision
- Short term work plan
- Key technical issues
- Forward work plan
- Issues for discussion

WORK SINCE JUNE 2010 ON SEEA REVISION

- 21 Key revision issues
 - Drafting papers
 - LG and Global consultation
 - Editorial Board discussions
 - UNSC recommendations

• Drafting chapters of central framework

- Draft Ch 5: Asset accounts (sent for global consul.)
- Draft Ch 3 & 4: Physical flow and monetary flow accounts (send for global consultation 13 June)
- Draft Ch 1, 2 & 6: Introduction, Accounting structure, Summarising& integrating accounts (being drafted)

EDITORIAL BOARD

- Functioning very well with mix of perspectives, views and experience
- Strong support for the objective of producing SEEA despite challenging timeframes
- Many teleconference meetings through late 2010
- 3 face to face meetings (New York December 2010, New York - April 2011, Copenhagen - May 2011)

SHORT TERM WORK PLAN

- Finalising draft chapters for global consultation
- Summarising and incorporating comments from global consultation
- Engagement with experts in each field
- Development of integrated dataset
- o Finalisation of single volume for central framework (Chapters 1 − 6)

TECHNICAL ISSUES FOR NOTING

- Definition of environmental assets
- Finalisation of land classifications
- Treatment of emission permits (link to ISWGNA process)
- Scope of environmental activities treatment of resource use
- Measurement of depletion for renewable resources (timber, fish)
- Treatment of residuals including definition of waste

FORWARD WORK PLAN

- Drafting of chapters: End June 2011
- Global consultation on chapters: End Aug 2011
- LG meeting incl Editorial Board meeting: mid Sept 2011
- Draft complete volume: End Sept 2011
- Global consultation Central framework: Oct Nov 2011
- Final draft Central framework: Dec 2011
- UNSC approval of Central framework: Feb 2012

ISSUES FOR DISCUSSION

- Does UNCEEA have any comments or questions regarding the process to date?
- Does UNCEEA have any comments or questions regarding the forward work plan?
- Does UNCEEA have any comment regarding the technical issues noted in the slides?

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