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Discussions were conducted on the basis of 6227/20.

Following explanations by the Presidency and the Commission, delegations generally voiced support for the points indicated under question 1:

- Defend the declaration against calls for new international instruments in new texts in the domain of cybercrime;
- Defend the declaration against calls for new international instruments in new texts in the domain of asset recovery;
- Keep language on Child Sexual Exploitation;
- Include language on environmental crime;
- Keep the structure of the document as set out in the UNGA Resolution.

The points on including language on environmental crime and keeping the structure of the document received particular support. Several delegations also expressed support to include, in the draft Kyoto declaration, language on a multidisciplinary approach to crime prevention and criminal justice, as suggested by the Commission.

In general, delegations reiterated their support for the common position of the EU and its Member States as set out in 11431/19.

With reference to question 2 (6227/20, page 4) and the said common position, the Presidency invited the Member States to send any elements that they consider important to take on board, or not to take on board, in the draft Kyoto declaration to the Commission and to the Council Secretariat.

The Presidency recalled that when the text of the draft declaration is stable, Coreper/Council and the Member States will be invited to agree that the declaration be adopted at the 14th UN Congress in Kyoto. Member States will be informed about the precise timeline in this matter.
