



Ireland - Comments to Zero Draft, Paras 1-23

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DePlease see below a written account of the amendments proposed by Ireland at the Second Preparatory Committee Meeting for the World Conference on Disaster Risk Reduction.

Please note, our proposal on paragraph 15 (l) is a new compromise proposal, which would combine elements of the original paragraph 15 (l) and the EU-proposed 15 (l) alt.

Should you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact me. We will send our written comments on paragraphs 24-40 later this week.

I wish to request a copy of the zero draft as it appeared on the screen at 3pm today, Tuesday 18 November, before clean-up so that it includes details of which delegations have proposed the amendments.

I also wish to sincerely thank the Bureau and Secretariat for all your efforts over the last two days and look forward to resuming the negotiations in December.

Many thanks,
Gisela

Paragraph 6

After sentence 2, ending with “policies, plans and standards”, insert a new sentence as follows: “The development and use of ecosystem-based approaches have great potential to generate business and job opportunities.”

Paragraph 9

After “sustainable development”, insert “, halting biodiversity loss”.

After “policies”, insert “, goals, indicators”.

Paragraph 15 (e)

Change the word “tackle” in the Latvian proposal to “harness”.

Paragraph 15 (l)

Combine elements of the original 15 (l) with the EU-proposed 15 (l) alt. to read as follows:

“National budgets and financial allocations should take full account of disaster risk management. All sources of finance should be considered in this context, including domestic resources, the private sector and international cooperation. Developing countries have specific needs and priorities and, as such, require special support and attention.”

Paragraph 15 (l) ter.

Ireland would like to register our support for the inclusion of the language proposed by the Netherlands on ecosystems.

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