**NOTE: This Environmental Annex template for a Technical Agreement (TA) is designed to provide basic environmental protection information that may be included in TA for multi-national exercises. The template may be modified to: include Host Nation (HN) and Sending Nation (SN) specific information; add requirements needed for the exercise site; or, delete non-applicable information. Items in brackets and red indicate information to be tailored with information specific to the exercise name, date(s), HN, SN(s), exercise location, or any other relevant items.**

 **Environmental Protection**

[SNs] are to be respectful of the environmental regulations and procedures, as well as any regulations in respect of the storage, movement, or disposal of hazardous materials or munitions. [The SN] will respect [the HN] environmental standards which should be no higher than those under which the [HN] Armed Forces operate. [The HN] will provide [the SN] with copies, in the English language, of environmental compliance rules or standards, which will apply during the course of the [Exercise name]. Upon arrival of the [the SN], a formal Joint Acceptance Environmental Inspection will take place. Upon completion of the [Exercise name and acronym] a Joint Final Environmental Inspection will take place as well in order to avoid misunderstandings. The [SN] responsibilities imply to carry the costs and liability for any damage to the terrain or infrastructure in [the HN] territory. Damage caused by failure to comply with the standards so notified, will be remedied by [the HN] with the [SN] reimbursing the cost of the remediation, or possible claims will be settled in accordance with Article VIII of the NATO SOFA.

a. The participants will pursue a preventive approach to environmental protection. To this end, all problems that may arise will be managed under the supervision of the Environmental Protection Officer, appointed by [the SN] and [the HN], in order to prevent any lasting damage to the environment or harm to human health and safety.

b. [The SN] will undertake reasonable measures to protect the environment in accordance with the relevant policies. The efforts will be guided by respect of local regulations, standard and policies enforced within [the HN] as well as relevant NATO environmental standards accepted and implemented by participating parties. [The HN] will provide [the SN] with common guidance on environmental protection in the endangered and threatened area in the English language prior to the start of the activity.

c. In the event of an environmental incident or accident (e.g. spill of petroleum, oil or lubricants) as a result of its own activities, [the SN] will carry out the remediation of any environmental impacts and immediately inform [the HN]. [The SN] will request within their Statement of Requirements (SOR), additional environmental response support, to include spill response.

d. In accordance with the approved SORs, [the HN] will provide storage, collection and disposal of all wastes to include solid waste, medical waste and waste in conformity with [the HN] regulations. In particular, [the HN] will provide containers for hazardous and non-hazardous wastes in training areas. [The SN] will retrieve their environmentally harmful wastes, that cannot be handled within [the SN] units, to assembly points in the Designated Training Areas, and after agreement, pay for the destruction of such wastes by [the HN]. [The HN] will organize return transport of environmentally harmful material from assembly points in Designated Training Areas for destruction.