

management of natural resources, as well as trade and investment with a view to strengthening transparency, formal cooperation mechanisms, and compliance with regional and international instruments on natural resources. Additionally, the Commission has taken note of the recommendations of the High-Level Regional Workshop on Natural Resources in the Great Lakes Region, which took place in Khartoum from 31 August to 2 September 2021. The review and recommendations to ensure the effective implementation of the ICGLR² Regional

these initiatives urgent and critical. This was demonstrated by the recent RINR review which recommended for inclusion of lessons learned from other existing mineral certification mechanisms such as the Kimberly Process in their work.

8. The Commission emphasizes the importance of supporting the members of Kimberly Process, especially in terms of compliance, capacity building and training through streamlined and efficient operational procedures. The Commission commits to supporting the Kimberley Process, particularly participating countries under PBC consideration, and other multistakeholder processes in unleashing the potential of natural resources for peaceful and inclusive societies, economic and social development and achievement of the SDGs.
9. Thank you.