MrPresident, Madame Director General, Ministers, Excellencies, Distinguished Delegates, Ladies and Gentlemen

On behalf of the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland, it is my honour to address you today.

to ensure that the rational for increasing budgets is transparent, results focussed, and follows efforts to find greater efficiencies. We expect that this additional funding will be used to support continued reform, efforts

the Fundand we commend the success of the first transhe of projects which have helped over 1700 journalists on the frontline around the world

Donestically, we kunched our first National Action Plan for the Safety of Journalists in March this year; with the aim of protecting journalists from abuse and harassment.

In the field of science, the UK is pleased to continue to contribute to the Intergovernmental Oceanographic Commission and Hydrological

Inclosing I recommend to you all, the new digital archive which brings together the instruments our forebears used to ratify the UNESCO Constitution. Launched by the UK and France, together with UNESCO to mark the 75th arriversary, this is an important historical record of our collective promise to work together to build peace in the minds of women and men