

## AGN INTERVENTIONS ON CG3

### Article 11 - Financial Mechanism

DELIVERED BY SENEGAL - 5 AUGUST 2025

**Thank you, Mr. Co-Chair.**

I take the floor on behalf of the African Group of Negotiators to make a clear and simple request.

Before doing so, allow me to provide some context. We acknowledge and appreciate the efforts put into the Chair's text proposal for Article 11. However, several crucial elements from our CRP, which received support from over 130 countries, are not adequately reflected. These include, among others, the provisions on the proposed Executive Committee in paragraph 8 of our CRP, the Fund Secretariat, the operationalization of the Fund, and the Transitional Executive Committee.

Given these significant omissions, we respectfully request that our previously submitted CRP be used as the basis for negotiations on Article 11. We invite other Parties to make their additions or suggestions on our text so that discussions can advance on a more comprehensive and inclusive foundation.

We are also happy to discuss this further

DELIVERED BY DJIBOUTI - 5 AUGUST 2025

Since it's the first time we are taking the floor, let me congratulate you both for your reappointment as co-chairs.

Djibouti would like to support the intervention made by Senegal on behalf of the African Group

We would like to note that beyond the numbers and the support gathered for the CRP that was submitted in Busan, the African Group has been repeatedly calling for a new independent dedicated multilateral fund centered within the financial

mechanism as a crucial element to adequately support the implementation of this treaty since the first session. Healthy discussions have taken place during the intersessional periods, however, we still find it of paramount importance that regardless what additional means of financing are being proposed, the core would revolve around a main new fund.

we would like to further present some points on why we are sticking with that proposal to use the CRP as the basis:

1. The CRP establishes a new, dedicated, independent multilateral fund with assessed contributions from developed countries and replenishment cycles based on developing country needs assessments. The Chair's text leaves financing voluntary and uncertain, risking underfunding and inequitable support
2. The CRP provides a clear framework for the Executive Committee, dedicated secretariat, and transitional executive arrangements, ensuring transparent decision-making and accountability for fund management.
3. The CRP sets out immediate steps for a transitional Executive Committee and interim support before the COP's first session, ensuring no gap during treaty entry into force. Djibouti would like to bring to your attention the importance of the discussion on establishing a transitional executive committee and that AGN has expressed that UNEP could be the responsible entity for the interim period until the operationalization of the fund.

We also have a request for clarification, would we be required to resubmit our CRP proposal once again on the in-session platform? We understand we shouldn't be repeating, but for us our core position is still the previously submitted CRP.

As Senegal mentioned on behalf of the AG we also invite and welcome other parties to bring in bridging proposals that could build further on our CRP.

Thank you

**DELIVERED BY DJIBOUTI - 9th of August 2025**

Thank you, Co-Chairs,

Djibouti takes the floor on behalf of the African Group

At the outset, the african group would like to thank the co-chairs for the effort to put together the co-chairs text and progress that we have made so far.

the African Group wishes to note three overarching points on the Co-Chairs' text for Article 11.

First, we view the headings in grey as representing an acceptable landing zone for the overall structure of this article, providing a useful framework for our continued work.

Second, as said earlier we would prefer to keep certain discussions parked while we work through the actual substance of the article, in particular, extended discussions on the "developed/developing" formulation. On this, our regional positions have already been clearly established, and we see no need to re-open these at this stage.

Third, on matters relating to the operationalization of the fund and the interim period, we believe these require further focused discussion to understand Parties' expectations and ensure clarity before we move towards final language. These operational questions are central to making the mechanism effective from its first day of operation.

Furthermore, we would like to note that there is a key element missing in the articulation of the options, specifically para 9 should be starting with "a new dedicated fund is hereby established"

We understand that the current presentation of the paragraph is for the sake of moving forward, but it is important that we note this in some capacity as this pertains to the textual fund establishment

Also a quick reaction to the intervention made by the United States of America, we are not clear why their proposal for the public private platform is only an option 2bis rather than supporting for all options. It would be clear if we can get clarification for that.

Finally, Madam Co-Chair, we wish to take this opportunity to reiterate that the Group's position is that any potential informal-informal discussions proposed for tomorrow should neither be entertained nor encouraged. We recall that tomorrow is a day without schedule, and we would like it to be treated as such. The africa group will not entertain informals tomorrow.

Thank you

## Article 12 - Capacity Building, Technical Assistance And Technology Transfer, Including International Cooperation

DELIVERED BY SOUTH SOUTH AFRICA - 7 AUGUST 2025

Thank you, Madam Co-Chair.

South Africa takes the floor on behalf of the African Group of Negotiators.

While the Group initially had a preference for language under Article 12 that more clearly and comprehensively reflects the importance of scientific and technical cooperation - beyond just assistance and technology transfer, we are prepared to work with the current text as a starting point for negotiations.

However, we wish to underscore that scientific and technical cooperation must not be limited to voluntary information-sharing, where it is currently captured as “concessional and mutually agreed up”, which is somehow vague. It must ensure that developing countries have reliable, timely, and locally relevant access to data and research on plastics and chemicals of concern.

Furthermore, technology transfer must be sustained, affordable and geared towards building long-term capacity in developing countries to enable full and effective implementation of the instrument.

We believe that strengthening these elements will ensure that Article 12 truly delivers the means of implementation required for equitable outcomes.

Thank you, Madam Co-Chair.

**DELIVERED BY SOUTH SOUTH AFRICA - 8 AUGUST 2025**

For para 4 and with regards to the suggestions by the co-chairs,

Reference to the new bracketed addition on this article

the African group would like that this paragraph to reflects on the convention and not just article 12

**DELIVERED BY SOUTH SOUTH AFRICA - 8 AUGUST 2025**

The african group would like to thank the co-chairs for the work till now

We understand the proposal and see it as a good way forward but only if it also includes a reflection of what has also been proposed for para 5 onwards

This means, presenting what is on the screen for para 1 to para 4

And providing a reflection on what is being proposed for para 5 to 7 to accommodate the points raised in brazil's intervention regarding things yet to be discussed