

Our intervention in Article 3 :

Thank you, Co-Facilitators.

The State of Qatar aligns with the intervention delivered by Saudi Arabia on behalf of the Arab Group.

We reaffirm our strong preference that the text must allow each Party to adopt measures in accordance with its national circumstances, capacities, and socio-economic priorities and not based on global regulatory mandates. This flexibility is particularly important for developing countries, especially those with expanding industrial and infrastructure needs.

We greatly appreciate the efforts by Switzerland and Mexico; however, we do not consider their proposal a viable path to consensus, as it risks undermining national sovereignty.

Furthermore, chemical regulation falls outside the scope of this treaty and is already comprehensively addressed by existing MEAs.

With the recent establishment of the new Science-Policy Panel on Chemicals, Waste, and Pollution Prevention, we believe that technical matters should be addressed within that forum, rather than through this treaty.

Qatar supports the more practical orientation of Article 5, particularly its focus on product design and circularity. We are also open to incorporating relevant and workable elements from Article 3 into that discussion, where appropriate.

Finally, we echo India's call for the equal treatment of all proposals and express our support for Singapore's suggestions regarding process.