**Australia’s intervention on Part II.11 Existing plastic pollution**

Australia supports the inclusion of a provision to identify and remediate existing plastic pollution, recognising its disproportionate impacts on small island developing states, including Pacific Island countries, as noted by Samoa on behalf of AOSIS and Tuvalu on behalf of Pacific SIDS.

Like Japan, we would like to highlight the importance of linking to requirements for monitoring plastic pollution in the environment as included in OP 1.b. bis.

Data collected through remediation activities will help ensure we can adequately measure our progress in reducing plastic pollution.

Australia also notes the importance to cooperate and engage with Indigenous Peoples in assessing, prioritising, monitoring and remediating plastic pollution.

We consider that all parties will need to address existing plastic pollution, supported by robust means of implementation measures. In this vein, we echo the US and others in suggesting further streamlining to move references to MOI to Part 3 to facilitate a holistic approach to MOI.