Part I

1. Preamble

The preamble should be concise and very broad.

The agreed language of the UNEA 5/14 could be used for this section. Issus as references to human rights, informal workers and the rights of women could just be placed under preamble. For this purpose the language used in Paris Agreement could be replicated and inserted here.

2. Objective

Iran believes that in the objective section, there should not be any reference to time bound targets. It should ensure sustainable development while addressing plastic pollution through reduction of plastic wastes and a circular economy that minimizes the environmental impact of plastic pollution.

The objective of this instrument is to safeguard human health and the environment from the adverse effects of plastic pollution including in the marine environment. This will be achieved through a comprehensive approach that focusing on prevention, and reduction of plastic pollution. The objective will involve efficient management and recycling of plastic waste, aligned with national circumstances and capabilities.

This approach considers the principle of common but differentiated responsibilities and respective capabilities, along with financial and technical support for all involved parties.

The instrument should focus on reducing plastic pollution through improvement of product design and environmentally sound waste management, enhancing resource efficiency and circular economy approaches, promoting sustainable consumption and production, investing in innovative technologies for plastic waste management, and raising public awareness on environmental impacts of plastic.

Ultimately, the goal of this instrument is to create a cleaner and healthier environment for current and future generations, while also promoting sustainable development and a circular economy that minimizes the environmental impact of plastic pollution and disposal. By working together towards a common goal, we can effectively combat plastic pollution and protect our planet for years to come.

3. Definitions
Islamic Republic of Iran believes that the definition section could be worked out after the
due unclarity regarding the scope of the instrument is resolved and therefore the
decision on this matter could be taken in a later stage.

4. **Principles**

Principles are among the crucial parts of the future instrument and accordingly we
believe that there should be a specific section dedicated on this issue. It is strongly view
that the principles together with the scope of the instrument will determine nature and
quality of the commitments of the parties in an equitable manner. Among those
principles of critical importance one could refer to the principle of CBDR together with
respecting for sovereignty of member states in exploiting their own natural resources,
bottom up approach, inclusiveness, and country drivenness of policies and actions. We
should also be careful of avoiding introducing fake elements as the new principles or
those which are irrelevant to the nature of the future instrument.

5. **Scope**

In Scope Section the best Option is Option 13. the reason is it exclude the production
and upstream section also the virgin polymer production and its ingredient.

This ensures that only the activities directly related to reduction of the plastic pollution or
initiatives are considered in scope, allowing for a more focused and targeted analysis.
Additionally, by excluding certain elements like production and upstream activities, the
scope should cover areas of concern and work which there is convergence on them and
can be manageable and feasible to assess. This helps to achieve win win approach to
keep all parties economic benefits and avoid unnecessary complexity and ensures
resources are allocated effectively.

On the issue of Scope we could not accept any reference to the primary and virgin
polymers as well as the areas which are beyond the mandate of UNEA resolution 5/14.
Therefore, The priority of Iran in this section is option 13 which is very concise and brief
but options 7 and 10 also includes some elements which with some modifications (red
lines 5 and 6 under 10) could be taken into account.

**Part II**

12. **Just transition**

This delegation believes that Each Party is expected to cooperate in promoting and
facilitating a fair, equitable, and inclusive transition towards sustainable development for
developing country Parties in the implementation of this instrument. Developed country
Parties are required to provide adequate finance, technology transfer, and capacity building support to assist in the just transition of developing country Parties. Additionally, each Party should consider promoting and facilitating a fair, equitable, and inclusive transition with special consideration for women, children, and youth. This can be achieved by enhancing institutional arrangements, enabling policies, and creating conditions that improve opportunities, capabilities, and livelihoods of affected communities. By working together in this manner, Parties can contribute to a more sustainable and inclusive future for all. So we fully support option 3.

13bis. Overarching provision related to Part II