

**PH intervention on Article 15 National Report:**

PH supports mandatory reporting for all parties to ensure treaty effectiveness, with the understanding that reporting by developed countries will include the provision of means of implementation to developing countries, including archipelagic states. We envision national reports to be considered by the implementation and compliance committee, whose work will be seriously hampered without such reports. Mandatory reporting is also consistent with our vision of mandatory development and implementation of national plans for all member states. We would, however, add that reporting should take into account national circumstances and capabilities, including flexibilities in the schedule or deadline to comply and that developing countries have to be given adequate financial and technical supports. The CBDR principle must be operationalized through these flexibilities, including in the periodicity, as mentioned by South Korea.