Indian delegation feels that regulating chemicals of concern must be nationally driven and should be in accordance with national circumstances and capabilities. The chemicals of concern must be determined, based on agreed scientific criteria which must be risk based, following a transparent and inclusive process established under the instrument. There must not be duplicacy in the regard to the mandates under various MEAs in regard to the chemicals of concern.

The cost of compliance of control measure and transition should be assessed for each country and funding and technical assistance including technology transfer should be made available through the dedicated fund to the developing countries based on principle of common but differentiated responsibilities.

India proposes for the exclusion of polymers of concern under this provision as it requires further understanding and clarity.

India would like to consider option 1 as starting point of the negotiations in respect of this provision.

Thank you.