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<i>Article number</i>	12 paragraph 3.
<i>Explanatory notes outlining how this submission supports the bridging of positions on the issue at hand</i>	Meant as a support to bridge positions on Technology Transfer, this text proposal combines elements from the relevant Article of the Minamata Convention on Mercury with the Chair's text of 1/12/2024 to strengthen this key provision for the effective implementation of the future instrument on plastic pollution.

Article 12 paragraph 3.: “CAPACITY BUILDING, TECHNICAL ASSISTANCE AND TECHNOLOGY TRANSFER, INCLUDING INTERNATIONAL COOPERATION”

The proposal from Cuba consists of replacing para 3. of Article 12 of the Chair's text with the following text:

Developed country Parties must promote and facilitate, working with the private sector and other relevant stakeholders as appropriate, development, transfer and diffusion of, and access to, up-to-date environmentally sound technologies including on a grant basis, concessional and preferential terms to developing country Parties, in particular the least developed countries and small island developing States, to strengthen their capacity to effectively implement this Convention. In implementing this provision, developed country Parties shall promote and facilitate research, innovation, technical and scientific cooperation and investment in pursuit of new and innovative environmentally sound technologies and solutions.