Proposals of the European Union and its 27 Member States to the Preamble

<u>CRP Proposal to strengthen the language on cooperation, coordination and complementarity with relevant regional and international organisations</u>

On Thursday 7 August, the European Union and its 27 Member States uploaded a CRP with a proposal to strengthen the language on cooperation, coordination and complementarity with relevant regional and international organisations that reflects UNEA Resolution 5/14. The European Union and its 27 Member States note that since UNEA Resolution 5/14, the Strategic Approach to International Chemicals Management is replaced with the Global Framework on Chemicals. The European Union and its 27 Member States therefore propose to amend its previous submission with the text below, with the change reflected in bold:

Reaffirming the importance of cooperation, coordination and complementarity among relevant regional and international conventions and instruments, with due respect for their respective mandates, to prevent plastic pollution and its related risks to human health and adverse effects on human well-being and the environment, including the International Convention for the Prevention of Pollution from Ships of 1973, as modified by the Protocol of 1978 relating thereto and as further amended by the Protocol of 1997; the Basel Convention on the Control of Transboundary Movements of Hazardous Wastes and Their Disposal; the Rotterdam Convention on the Prior Informed Consent Procedure for certain Hazardous Chemicals and Pesticides in International Trade; the Stockholm Convention on Persistent Organic Pollutants; the United Nations Convention on the Law of the Sea; the Convention on the Prevention of Marine Pollution by Dumping of Wastes and Other Matter of 1972 and the Protocol thereto; the Strategic Approach to International Chemicals Management succeeded by the Global Framework on Chemicals; the United Nations Framework Convention on Climate Change; the Convention on Biological Diversity; and other international organizations, regional instruments and programmes, and recognizing efforts led by nongovernmental organizations and the private sector,

Other proposals for the preamble:

The European Union and its 27 Member States also propose the following language to be inserted in the Preamble:

Recognizing that current levels of production and consumption of plastics are unsustainable, already exceeds current waste management capacities and are projected to increase further, thereby necessitating a coordinated global response to halt and reverse such trends,

Emphasizing the benefits and socioeconomic opportunities arising from the measures taken to end plastic pollution, including the enabling of sustainable economic transformation and the creation of new jobs and investment prospects aimed at advancing a circular economy for plastic as well as fostering innovation, development and use of sustainable alternatives to plastics