GUATEMALA INTERVENTION

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Guatemala supports OP1 Alt and its literals, as well as Paragraph 2 of Option 1 without alternative options, endorsing the importance of the role of waste pickers, individuals in vulnerable situations, and affected populations.

Additionally, from the processes of nationwide socialization of the Revised Text with public institutions and indigenous peoples, who through their interventions highlighted the importance of establishing detailed and specific actions that allow for the participation of the Maya, Xinca, and Garifuna indigenous peoples and the rescue of applicable ancestral and traditional practices.

It is reiterated that the above is with the condition that the states must duly validate definitions and annexes and subject to the capacities and circumstances of the countries.
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1. In the implementation of this instrument, each Party shall promote an equitable and inclusive transition for affected populations, with particular consideration for workers and [persons] [people] in vulnerable situations, within [its national jurisdiction; This may include:]

   a. Designating a national coordinating [body] [mechanism] for engagement [and collaboration] with relevant stakeholders, including public authorities, [trade unions,] [workers association] [waste pickers,] non-governmental organizations, Indigenous Peoples and [local communities] [and affected populations] [according to national regulations] [with the aim of data collection, monitoring, evaluation and national reporting on progress of just transition];

   b. Enabling policies [and conditions] [that integrate] [to ensure and] improve [as appropriate] income, opportunities and livelihoods for] [waste pickers and other workers in plastic value chains and] [impacted] [affected workers and] communities, including workforce training, [development and social programmes, enhancement of occupational health and safety measures] [according] [considering] to their needs and priorities;

   c. Incentivizing the development of skills and job opportunities across the plastic value chain, including for the development of reuse, repair, waste collection and sorting;

   d. Promoting a [clean, healthy and sustainable] [safe working] environment [and a strong social safety net] [for communities and workers] across [the value chain, including [workers] in the waste management sector] [the full lifecycle in respect of the promotion of fundamental human rights];

   e. [Improving working conditions [, occupational safety and health, and social protection] for [waste pickers and workers] in the waste management sector [, including by providing legal recognition and protection to [waste pickers and other] [workers and waste pickers] in informal and cooperative settings and facilitating the formalization [of their associations or cooperatives [integrating them into local waste management systems]] [of their activities through appropriate socioeconomic integration measures]];

   f. [Integrating [waste pickers and other] workers in informal and cooperative settings into [a safe] plastics value chain, [including by requiring plastic product producers, recycling and waste management companies to integrate plastics collected and sorted by them into their operation schemes]]; and

   g. [[Requiring] [Encouraging] a portion of the fees collected through EPR schemes to be used to improve infrastructure [and improve the] [, a strong social safety net,] and opportunities for, and develop the skills of, workers in the waste sector, including waste [pickers and other] [workers in informal and cooperative settings.]

2. [The measures taken to implement this provision shall be reflected in the national plan [communicated pursuant to [Part IV.1 on national plans]]].