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## **Joint Statement by Sustainable Environment Food and Agriculture Initiative (SEFAI) and Clean Climate and Environment Campaign Initiative (CCAECI)**

We, the Sustainable Environment Food and Agriculture Initiative (SEFAAI) and the Clean Climate and Environment Campaign Initiative (CCAECI), two prominent non-governmental organizations based in Nigeria, hereby pledge our unwavering support for the International Negotiating Committee (INC) on the plastics treaty process. As stakeholders in the environmental and climate change discourse, we recognize the urgent need for a comprehensive and inclusive treaty that addresses the plastics pollution challenge.

### **Our Expectations**

We urge delegates and country representatives to deliver a treaty that is all-inclusive, encompassing, and reflects the needs and concerns of all stakeholders, particularly those on the frontlines of the plastics pollution challenge. These include:

- Waste workers who bear the brunt of plastics pollution
- Indigenous communities whose livelihoods are threatened by plastics pollution
- Coastal dwellers who are vulnerable to the impacts of marine plastics pollution
- The generality of humanity, who are affected by the health and environmental implications of plastics pollution.

### **Key Principles**

As we seek a global legally binding treaty, we emphasize the importance of the following principles:

- Just and equitable transition: The treaty should ensure a fair and equitable transition for all stakeholders, particularly those in vulnerable communities.
- Lifecycle approach: The treaty should address the lifecycle of legacy plastics, from extraction to end-of-life, to prevent further pollution and promote sustainable practices.
- Health and environmental protection: The treaty should prioritize the protection of human health and the environment, recognizing the well-documented impacts of plastics pollution on animal and human health.

### **Implementation and Stakeholder Engagement**

We urge member states to deliver a treaty that not only sets ambitious targets but also provides a sustainable means of implementation. This includes:

- Pathways for engaging critical stakeholders: The treaty should establish clear pathways for engaging critical stakeholders, including academia, civil society organizations (CSOs), local communities, and the private sector.
- Accountability and transparency: The treaty should ensure accountability and transparency in its implementation, to guarantee that commitments are met and progress is tracked.

## **Conclusion**

In conclusion, we hope that this week's negotiations will deliver a usable treaty that addresses the plastics pollution challenge in a comprehensive and inclusive manner. We look forward to working with delegates, country representatives, and other stakeholders to ensure that the treaty is implemented effectively and achieves its intended objectives.

## **Signed**

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