
Malaysia believes that this is the most important core obligation of the Treaty in order for us to collectively and successfully end plastics pollution. It is the responsibility of all parties to take effective measures to manage plastics waste in an environmentally friendly manner throughout its full life cycle. This includes handling, collection, transportation, storage, recycling, treatment, and final disposal of plastics waste.

As countries have different levels of maturity in their waste management system, implementation must be country-driven, with flexibility to nationally determine targets and measures. The flexibility to implement the best waste management measures and technologies must also take into account national circumstances and capabilities.

We envision this provision to provide guidance for an effective waste management that is achievable by all parties, including on waste separation at source, and access to waste disposal and collection facilities. These are the basic and minimum requirements to enable collection, and divert plastics waste from the environment.

We also advocate for this provision to take into consideration discussions that will take place under item 11 on existing plastics pollution. An effective waste management will prevent leakage of plastics waste into the environment.

To make this provision clear, Malaysia supports that the title of this provision be referred to as “Plastic Waste Management”.

Thank you.

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