Thank you co-facilitator,

Panama, as a developing country and our significant reliance on imports and exports, we have carefully evaluated the various available sub-options. We acknowledge the interlink between provisions 1, 2, and 3 as well as annexes based on technical work to clarify the listings and criteria.

In relation to the trade of chemicals, polymers, and plastic products, Panama support Sub-Option 1, as a basis for negotiation. This choice is based in our belief that this sub-option provides a robust framework for regulating and reducing the export and import of plastic products, while ensuring international cooperation and adherence to relevant regulations.

Additionally, we support international cooperation to promote a supportive and open international economic system, as outlined in Sub-Option 2.

We believe that this collaboration is crucial for achieving sustainable economic growth and effectively addressing global plastic pollution issues.

Finally, we support the intervention made by Chile, regarding harmonization, and consider the Basel amendment on plastics.

Thank you madame co facilitator…