Part I

1 Preamble

1. Explanatory text

The Small Islands Developing States would like to indicate our support for the following preambular paragraphs including:

Preambular Paragraph 1 on increasing levels of plastic pollution
Preambular Paragraph 4 on the transboundary nature of plastics
Preambular Paragraph 5 on special circumstances of Small Islands Developing States
Preambular Paragraph 7 on the Rio Declaration
Preambular Paragraph 9 on the United Nations Declaration on the Rights of Indigenous Peoples
Preambular Paragraph 10 on Addis Ababa Action Agenda
Preambular Paragraph 16 on cooperation
Preambular Paragraph 18 on best available science and traditional knowledge, knowledge of indigenous people and local knowledge systems
Preambular Paragraph 21 on new and additional means of implementation

On the comments made by other delegations, we would emphasize that in line with the views that the Small Islands Developing States shared at UNEA 5.2, that led to the adoption of Resolution 5/14, we reiterate that the Special Circumstances of Small Islands Developing States is well established with significant precedent in Multilateral Environmental Agreements, and goes beyond geographic circumstances. Any reformulation of the Special Circumstances of the Small Islands Developing States is non-negotiable.

2. Proposed text/edits