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The intervention of the Russian Federation in regard of Article 7

The Russian Federation notes the importance of resource efficiency and waste management as important components for sustainable consumption and production, including but not limited to the circular economy and other sustainable economic models.

The EPR mechanism is one of the key elements in the future instrument. We support introduction of innovative economic incentive schemes to promote sound waste management, such as the EPR, recycling incentives, take-back and deposit schemes and other alternatives at the national level, taking into account the specificities and capacities of each State. It is equally important to reflect provisions that recommend the establishment of an EPR mechanism for countries that do not yet have one.

Considering national circumstances should be at the core of this article, therefore it should be more of a framework in nature.

In this regard the Russian Federation supports option 4 of the revised draft text, which has been streamlined and therefore moved to the new option 1 paragraph 1.

We also propose to use the term 'plastic products' instead of ‘plastic’ throughout the text of this article.

We can also be flexible on where to keep the provisions on the EPR mechanism. For example, it could be placed under the waste management section.