**Preamble**

Paraguay supports the proposal made by Argentina to include the provision deriving from the Minamata Convention regarding the existing obligations.

We also support the proposal by the Russian Federation regarding food security.

We want to support the mention of Resolution 76/300 of General Assembly of 28 July 2022 which recognizes the right to a clean, healthy and sustainable environment as a human right.

And we also want to add the following paragraph:

> "Recalling Resolution 41/128 of 4 December 1986 which recognizes the right to development as an inalienable human right”.

We believe the right to development should be mentioned, because this is aligned with Principle 3 of the Rio Declaration and also reflects the fact that in developing countries most of the environmental problems are caused by under-development, as it was recognized in the Stockholm Declaration of 1972 and we should not forget this essential fact.

**Objective**

For Paraguay the objective should be read as follow:

> "The objective of this instrument is to protect human health and the environment from the adverse effects of plastic pollution, including in the marine environment, as well as other aquatic and terrestrial ecosystems, considering the principle of common but differentiated responsibilities and respective capabilities as well as financial and technical support.”

We strongly support the CBDR as this principle is applicable to all MEAs since it is established in Principle 7 of the Rio Declaration.

Paraguay doesn’t support putting a specific deadline in the objective.

**Principles**

Paraguay supports the position expressed by Argentina with the inclusion of the following principles:

- CBDR.
- Best available science.
- Respect of national sovereignty.
- We strongly support Principle 12 of the Rio declaration: we want to see clearly reflected that trade policy measures for environmental purposes should not constitute a means of arbitrary or unjustifiable discrimination or a disguised restriction on international trade.