Delivered by Solomon Islands on behalf of Pacific SIDS.

Solomon Islands on behalf of the Pacific SIDS associates itself with AOSIS with respect to 5 (a) and 5 (c)

We support the AOSIS position to move 5 (b) to Item 9 on waste management. This is because recyclability design has already been covered under Option 1, Para 1 (a-c).

For 5 (d) Pacific SIDS has text proposal as follows;

Option 1 (Para 1) Each party shall ensure that alternative plastics and plastic products which include bio-based, biodegradable and compostable plastics are safe, environmentally sound and sustainable in accordance with standards and criteria to be decided by the governing body based on recommendation from the STEPs taking into account their environmental, climate, economic, social, cultural, and human health impacts in accordance with criteria set out in Part IV of Annex C adopted by the governing body.

We feel this approach supports the EU proposal to include generic design criteria in the text of the agreement.