Section IV Article 1. National plans

The Russian Federation is of the opinion that the lists of mandatory requirements for the content of national action plans should be eliminated from the text of the Instrument. This list could be discussed at a COP meeting and be inserted into the relevant guidance under COP’s decision. We are in favor to use formulating the provisions of this section, refer to Article 20 of the Minamata Convention on Mercury.

Section IV Article 2. Implementation

The Russian Federation supports the establishment of the Implementation Committee under the Instrument, but the title of the para should be “Implementation and Cooperation”. The Implementation Committee cannot consider compliance issues. We support the exclusion from Article 2 of any provisions related to assessing the compliance of states’ actions with the provisions of the Instrument. Please note that the proposed options used in the text of the document - “a compliance and implementation committee”, “a committee on means of implementation”, “a committee to evaluate the effectiveness of the instrument” - represent essentially the same compliance thing.