PSIDS Statement on Part II Item 8. Emissions and releases of plastic throughout its life cycle, Contact Group 1-Subgroup 3.

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Thank you Co-Facilitator, Tuvalu is speaking on behalf of the 14 member countries of the Pacific Small Island Developing States and aligns with the statement made by Samoa on behalf of the Alliance of Small Island States. We are happy with the streamlined text and we look forward to, going item by item. For now, we would just like to highlight a few things;

We are happy with the proposed title and ask to delete the Alt title. We support Option 1 paragraph 1-5 and Option 2 paragraph 6. We support the inclusion of releases of chemicals and polymers throughout the text. We agree with the mobilization of financial resources and technology transfer for each country in order to implement the provision. However, it should be applicable to the special circumstances of small island developing states, such as the use of water and energy.

We note the Co-facilitator’s opening comments that Fishing Gears will be discussed in Subgroup 1.2 and we will reserve our comments on this issue for this meeting.

We support the intervention by UK to include intended/purposeful and unintended emissions and leakages of chemicals and microplastics across full lifecycle to be captured in this item

Thank you Co-facilitator