UK Intervention
Sub Group 1.3 Part II 9a) Waste Management

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Thank you co-facilitator.
The United Kingdom is content that this streamlined text reflects the views expressed by Parties in the previous text.
We support Canada on the need for an ambitious treaty and the need to align with, and follow, the Basle Convention. Whilst the UK believes the waste provisions should be led by the waste hierarchy which prioritises the prevention of waste, with 2 billion people globally having no access to waste collection services we recognise the importance of this provision.
Our preference is for Option 1 but we are happy to give consideration to and discuss alternative text to including the text uploaded by the EU and the text just proposed by Canada.
However, we believe, there is potential for some further technical streamlining.
In option 1, we believe the phrases “throughout its different stages” and “at its different stages” have the same meaning and one of them could be deleted – we have no preference which.
In OP1bis, we suggest that for consistency, the phrase “shall give priority/due consideration” should have the forward slash removed and replaced by brackets – for instance “shall [give priority] [due consideration] to.
In the provisions common for options above, we think that paragraphs [4][3] and [5][4] have the potential to be merged, as both deal with waste management practices that are to be prevented.
Thank you.