Statement of Armenia

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We express our sincere gratitude to the Secretariat of the INC and the Government of Kenya for their outstanding preparation of INC 3.

We would like to underscore that the Zero Draft serves as a commendable starting point for initiating an effective negotiation process.

We reiterate our commitment to addressing plastic pollution through a life cycle approach and enhancing waste management.

We emphasize the significance of ensuring financial support, tools, and capacity building for countries undergoing economic transition.

It is crucial to promote scientific and technical innovation aimed at preventing and capturing the release of plastics and plastic products, including microplastics, into various environmental elements such as air, soil, water, and ecosystems.

We endorse the idea of establishing a dedicated plastics multilateral fund to achieve the goals of the Future Instrument.

Furthermore, we consider Extended Producer Responsibility (EPR) schemes as highly effective tools for realizing the objectives of the Future Instrument.