National plans

1. Each Party shall develop and implement a national plan\(^1\) to fulfil its obligations under this *instrument* and to achieve its objective(s). Such plans should be prepared in light of different national circumstances and may follow a guidance to be adopted by the [governing body]. The national plans shall be based on the format in annex G and shall include at least relevant elements related to:\(^2\):

   a. Primary plastic polymers;
   b. Chemicals and polymers of concern;
   c. Problematic and avoidable plastic products;
   d. Product design and performance;
   e. Reduce, reuse, refill and repair of plastics and plastic products;
   f. Use of recycled plastic contents;
   g. Extended Producer Responsibility;
   h. Emissions and releases of plastic through its life cycle;
   i. Waste management;
   j. Fishing gear;
   k. Existing plastic pollution, including in the marine environment; and
   l. Just transition

2. Each Party shall communicate its initial national plan to the governing body\(^*\) within [X] year[s] of the date on which this instrument\(^*\) enters into force for it through the secretariat.

3. Each Party shall be guided by the modalities referred to in paragraph 1 when preparing and submitting their national plans—

4. A Party may at any time adjust its national plan with a view to enhancing its level of ambition, in accordance with guidance adopted by the governing body\(^*\).

5. Parties are encouraged to coordinate on the establishment and implementation of regional plans to facilitate implementation of this *instrument*, as appropriate.

6. Parties shall review, update and communicate to the governing body\(^*\) their national plans every [X] year[s], and in a manner to be specified by a decision of

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\(^1\) *Note:* The term ‘national plans’ is used without prejudging how Members may ultimately choose to refer to the plans. Other options include ‘national action plans’ or ‘national implementation plans’.

\(^2\) *Note:* This potential list of actions to be included in national plans reflects references to such plans in the options presented. It is presented for ease of reference and without prejudice to how Members may choose to address this item in the *instrument*. The exact contents of any national plans will depend on the contents and structure of commitments and obligations under the *instrument*. 
the governing body*, with each update representing a progression compared to the Party’s previous national plan, considering different national circumstances.

7. Each Party shall include information on the implementation of its national plan towards achieving the objective of this instrument* in its national reports pursuant to [part IV.3 on reporting on progress].

8. The Secretariat shall establish and maintain a public registry to record national plans communicated by Parties, with a view to facilitating information exchange.

9. Support shall be provided to developing country Parties for the implementation of this Article, recognizing that enhanced support for developing country Parties will effectively facilitate their actions both in preparing national plans and implementing this [instrument] at large.