Dear Excellencies, Dear Negotiators,

I am Allison Lin from Mars and I want to speak on behalf of the Business Coalition for a Global Plastics Treaty and the Consumer Goods Forum.

Thank you for the opportunity to speak.

Over 100 companies in the Business Coalition are calling for an ambitious treaty with legally-binding global rules and measures to create a level playing field and drive change on a global scale - through harmonised regulations on reduction, circulation, and prevention alongside remediation.

A level playing field will benefit multinational corporations currently managing across different regulatory systems, as well as smaller enterprises who do not always have the resources and capacity to address plastic pollution across the full life cycle at a fast enough speed.

We have a rare and real opportunity to
> make a positive change to our world by reassessing how we make, use, and think about plastic - and;
> create new jobs, ensure dignity to, and the inclusion of the informal sector green force, and at the same time combat the triple planetary crisis we are facing.

As ambitious goals and aspirations to end plastic pollution in a treaty have no value on their own, we hope that negotiators at INC2 will lay the foundations of the treaty, with clear options for global and legally binding measures and core obligations.

We are here to listen and support you, and look forward to continuing the discussion.

Thank you