GUINEA-BISSAU STATEMENT

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Guinea-Bissau would like to show appreciation and gratitude to the people and authorities of the Republic of Kenya for their hospitality and hosting of this important event. We congratulate the President and the entire secretariat team for the important role they have played throughout this process.

Guinea-Bissau hopes that with this INC 3 significant advances will be achieved so that in the near future we can have a binding international instrument on plastic pollution, including in the marine environment, which is, along with climate change, one of the biggest contemporary challenges.

Guinea-Bissau supports, without reservation, the position of the African group in relation to the draft treaty, and highlights the need for the future treaty to provide for the principles of more differentiated common responsibility, polluter pays and prevention.

As a State with an extensive coastal zone, and made up of several islands, Guinea-Bissau defends that the particularities of States with these characteristics are convenient, particularly with regard to implementation, financing and technology transfer measures.

Thank you very much for your attention!