Text proposal

**Option 1**

1. Parties shall ensure that alternative plastics and plastic products are safe, environmentally sound and sustainable, **taking into account their potential for waste reduction and reuse, as well as any environmental, climate, economic, social and human health impacts, including food security in accordance with criteria set out in part IV of Annex C.**

Rationale

New Zealand supports Option 1 with amendments to recognise the climate impacts of alternatives and the need to first focus on actions at the top of the waste hierarchy. We would also like to see stronger provisions for the use of criteria set out in an annex, which would guide the use of alternative plastics. Accordingly, we propose the addition of a fourth part to Annex C, which will include criteria that guide the safe use of alternative plastics.