

República de Angola

Declaration of the Republic of Angola

Thank you, Mr. President, for the floor. First, I would like to congratulate the Oriental Republic of Uruguay for the hospitality and organization of this great event. We want to congratulate you for being elected as the chairman to INC-1.

Mr. President,

Our delegation is aligned with the declaration presented by the representative of the Republic of Ghana in the name of African group, it is a great honor to be part of this process to elaborate an important international instrument that will give guidelines for the end of the plastic pollution.

On the other hand, Angola has a long coastline, and has been the target of contamination by plastic waste. However, there are several initiatives to combat and mitigate this environmental problematic issue, such as: Benguela Cold Current Convention; Blue Fund created to finance projects and improve the quality of life of the populations that make up the Congo basin). Likewise, awareness campaigns have been intensified, in order to guarantee a better environmental education within the communities.

At the National level, a draft law has been prepared and other initiatives to minimizing the pollution of plastic waste at sea from land-based sources.

Finally, Mr. President, Angola will need support in terms of technical, financial and technological assistance to ensure an efficient evaluation and monitoring for the implementation of this important legal instrument for the environment and the public health of the Angolan people.

Thank you Mr. President

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