MALAYSIA INTERVENTION FOR SUB-ITEMS UNDER AGENDA 4 (1 DECEMBER 2022)

3(E) STAKEHOLDER PARTICIPATION AND ACTION

Thank you Chair.

Malaysia reiterates its acknowledgement and recognition of the important roles played by multi stakeholders as well as non-state actors and expresses appreciation on the contributions by the stakeholders thus far.

1. Malaysia proposes that the engagement with stakeholders must be in the form of two-way communication to ensure understanding, clarity and productive discussions.

2. Malaysia supports the proposals of holding stakeholder engagement and intersessional sessions either via online, in person or hybrid. However, consideration must be given on the issue of time differences across regions to ensure effective and maximum participation by all stakeholders including member states, if it is done virtually.

3. Funding to mobilize stakeholder engagement sessions should also be borne by stakeholders to ensure fair and balanced sharing of responsibility and financial burden across the boards.

4. Funding should also be provided for participants from member states to ensure inclusive participation.

5. Submissions by stakeholders should focus on exploring creative and innovative solutions rather than in form of statements or demand lists. We are all in this together and only together we can address this huge task presented before us.

6. Malaysia also requests for the secretariat to provide clarity on how we could incorporate stakeholder input into the negotiations. Currently, we see it just as information sharing. What we need at this time is a solution in implementing the instrument and addressing the issue.

7. Lastly Chair, Malaysia proposes to explore a more targeted and thematic-based engagement through regional-based stakeholder engagement sessions. This would provide deeper understanding in local context. This is instrumental for the negotiations, as the instrument must take into account national circumstances and capabilities. Thank you Chair.