Thank you Mr. Chair

I would begin by offering condolence to the government and people of Kenya for what had happened yesterday.

we have some view to share concerning the chapter V

For us there is a need to search more comprehensive evidence that addressing fragmentation will necessarily improve the overall effectiveness of global environmental governance in any sense.

If we look from other perspective, fragmentation might actually be a characteristic suited for global environmental law and governance for various reasons:

because Earth system challenges are very diverse;

because a one-size-fits-all governance approach might not compatible with Earth system complexities;

because current International Environmental Law approaches and multilateral environmental agreements (MEAs) have been tailor-made for a specific issue, area and challenges;

and also because fragmented IEL regimes are considered on balance to be more flexible, reflexive and adaptive while allowing for innovation.

That is why we think that codification for the purpose of integration should be carefully considered.