

26th October 2021

INTERVENTION 1.

8th Annual Subcommittee meeting of the Committee of Permanent Representatives
**(Agenda item 4 (b): Preparations for the resumed session of UNEA-5-
Announcements of draft resolutions for UNEA-5)**
Tuesday 12h30-13h45 CET and 14h30-16h CET

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Dear excellencies, colleagues,

On behalf of the Environmental Investigation Agency and the Center for International Environmental Law, as members of the Break Free From Plastic movement, we would like to express our wholehearted support for the Rwanda-Peru Draft Resolution. This is consistent with the Major Groups and Stakeholders [statement](#) and [joint position](#) delivered during the 155th meeting of the CPR in preparation of UNEA 5.2

It is our view that, as noted by UNEP, the substantive process and multilateral approach used to develop the first public draft is the most appropriate approach for building political consensus at a time where an ambitious negotiation mandate encompassing the full life cycle of plastics, from production to end-of-life, will be necessary to confront the crisis.

Since previous approaches, particularly voluntary ones, have proven ineffective, there is a clear convergence on the need for an adaptive binding agreement that coordinates global and regional action while catalysing national efforts, one that is responsive to science and national circumstances, with mechanisms in place to operationalise commitments.

The Rwanda-Peru Resolution has the strength and breadth needed to achieve this ambitious vision, and we highly recommend member states to choose to co-sponsor what we believe is the best possible route forwards for UNEA 5.2.

Finally, we reserve the right to provide further opinions on the content of the draft resolution.