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**Intergovernmental negotiating committee to develop  
an international legally binding instrument on plastic  
pollution, including in the marine environment  
Fifth session**

Busan, Republic of Korea, 25 November–1 December 2024  
Item 3 (b) of the provisional agenda\*

**Organizational matters: adoption of the agenda**

**Annotated provisional agenda**

**Item 1**

**Opening of the session**

1. The fifth session of the intergovernmental negotiating committee to prepare an international legally binding instrument on plastic pollution, including in the marine environment, to be held in Busan, Republic of Korea, from 25 November to 1 December 2024, will be opened by the Chair of the Committee, Luis Vayas Valdivieso (Ecuador), at 10 a.m. on Monday, 25 November 2024.
2. Opening statements will be delivered by a representative of the host Government and a representative of the United Nations Environment Programme.

**Item 2**

**Election of officers**

3. Should the need to elect officers arise, the election of officers would be carried out in accordance with rules 11 and 13 of the draft rules of procedure being provisionally applied to the work of the committee (UNEP/PP/INC.5/3).

**Item 3**

**Organizational matters**

**(a) Adoption of the rules of procedure**

4. At the first session, held in Punta del Este, Uruguay, from 28 November to 2 December 2022, the committee agreed that the draft rules of procedure would continue to apply to its work on a provisional basis pending their adoption.
5. At the second session, held in Paris from 29 May to 2 June 2023, the committee decided to adopt an interpretive statement relating to paragraph 1 of rule 38 of the draft rules of procedure.
6. At the third session, held in Nairobi from 13 to 19 November 2023, and at the fourth session, held in Ottawa from 23 to 29 April 2024, the respective Chairs of the committee recalled that, in accordance with the decision of the committee at its first session, the draft rules of procedure, as set

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\* UNEP/PP/INC.5/1.

out in document UNEP/PP/INC.4/2, would apply to its work on a provisional basis until their adoption, with the exception of the bracketed text in rule 37. At the fourth session, the Chair also reiterated his commitment to discussions being held in the spirit of cooperation and consensus.

**(b) Adoption of the agenda**

7. The committee may wish to adopt the agenda of its fifth session on the basis of the provisional agenda (UNEP/PP/INC.5/1) and as agreed on at the fourth session.

**(c) Organization of work**

8. The committee may wish to decide to meet on each day of the session from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. and from 3 to 6 p.m., subject to adjustment as necessary.

9. During the session, the committee may wish to establish such contact groups and other in-session working arrangements as it may deem necessary, and to specify their mandates and appoint their presiding officers. In this regard, the Committee may wish to recall that, at its fourth session, it decided to establish an open-ended legal drafting group, which would commence its work at the fifth session, to conduct a legal review of any elements of the draft text forwarded to it by the committee with a view to ensuring that the text was drafted in a legally sound manner and make recommendations on the wording to the committee for its consideration.

**Item 4**

**Preparation of an international legally binding instrument on plastic pollution, including in the marine environment**

10. The committee will have before it for its consideration the following documents:

(a) Compilation of draft text of the international legally binding instrument on plastic pollution, including in the marine environment (UNEP/PP/INC.5/4);

(b) Chair's non-paper (third iteration), prepared under the authority of the Chair, to be made available in advance of the session, with a view to facilitating progress at the fifth session across all aspects of the negotiations;

(c) Report of the Co-chairs on the work of the ad hoc intersessional open-ended expert group to develop an analysis of potential sources, and means that could be mobilized, for implementation of the objectives of the instrument, including options for the establishment of a financial mechanism, alignment of financial flows, and catalysing finance (UNEP/PP/INC.5/5);

(d) Report of the Co-chairs on the work of the ad hoc intersessional open-ended expert group to identify and analyse criteria- and non-criteria based approaches with regard to plastic products and chemicals of concern in plastic products, and product design focusing on recyclability and reusability of plastic products, considering their uses and applications (UNEP/PP/INC.5/6).

**Item 5**

**Other matters**

11. The committee may wish to consider other matters raised during the session.

**Item 6**

**Adoption of the report of the session**

12. At the final meeting of the session, on 1 December, the committee will be invited to consider and adopt the outcomes of the session and the draft report of the session prepared by the rapporteur.

**Item 7**

**Closure of the session**

13. It is expected that the committee will conclude its work by 6 p.m. on Sunday, 1 December 2024.