INC-5 closing remarks by Ms. Jyoti Mathur-Filipp, INC Executive Secretary

Ambassador Luis Vayas, Executive Director Andersen

Excellencies, distinguished delegates,

It is late, I won't keep you long.

Let me begin by extending my heartfelt appreciation to the Government of the Republic of Korea for hosting this fifth session.

This has been our largest session, bringing together over 3,360 participants, including Member delegates from more than 170 countries and Observers representing more than 440 organizations.

We have witnessed the sincere dedication and tireless efforts of the Members and Co-Chairs, whose hard work has brought us closer to achieving our shared goal.

I also extend my gratitude to our Observers, whose expertise, perspectives, and commitment to accountability have enriched this process.

Special acknowledgement goes to the Chair and his team for their tireless efforts in getting us to this point, as well as to the Vice-Chairs of the INC Bureau for their invaluable guidance and perspectives.

I also acknowledge the numerous support teams, including the local staff, whose indispensable contributions have made this session possible.

Finally, my deepest appreciation goes to all the teams across the United Nations, Multilateral Environment Agreements and the UN Environment Programme for their exceptional commitment, professionalism and efforts in supporting this process. They have been exceptional, and the Secretariat team is deeply honoured to have had the opportunity to work with them here, and in the previous INC sessions.

Distinguished Delegates,

We have tested the resilience of this planet to its limit, now is the time for us push our own limits and honour the trust placed in us. You have the INC Secretariat's and my unwavering support to get this done.

Thank you.