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I am talking on behalf of ZMWG and IPEN.

We greatly appreciate and welcome the meeting preparation documents as valuable contributions toward making INC 1 a successful meeting.

Further to the document INC1 /4 on the Treaty Structure Options, we think that this document provides a good summary of the structural options. ZMWG and IPEN would support option A - reflecting the “control measures plus annexes” option, as also followed by the Stockholm convention.

We would not favor the “convention plus protocol” option, option B , if the result is mercury control measures and other mercury-related provisions are not adopted by governments in their entirety. Such an approach would seriously undermine the treaty effectiveness, since no global coordination and participation would be possible, in areas such as supply and trade, and the phase out of mercury products and processes.

Thank you chairman