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Pesticide Action Nexus Association Intervention on Hazardous Substances within Electrical and Electronic Products

Thank you Mr. President-

I intervene on behalf of Pesticide Action Nexus Association, a Participating Organization of IPEN.

The work on hazardous substances within the lifecycle of electrical and electronic products in SAICM, particularly the midstream and upstream parts of the electronics lifecycle, are largely unfinished.

An overarching objective should be to prioritize the reduction and elimination of hazardous substances in EEE (electrical and electronic equipment) and their production processes by implementing the Global plan of Action, which was adopted at ICCM3.

However, the lack of overall coordination arrangements to work on the lifecycle approach on upstream, midstream and downstream aspects makes coherent execution difficult. IPEN, therefore, supports the CRP presented by the African region to call upon all stakeholders, including the IOMC with UNEP, as well as manufacturers to work responsibly on the issue to achieve the 2020 goal and beyond.

Thank you Mr. President.