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09 July 2026

Dear Sir/Madam,

On behalf of H.E. Mr. Julio Cordano, Chair of the Intergovernmental Negotiating Committee (INC) to develop an international legally binding instrument on plastic pollution, including in the marine environment, I have the honour to invite you to kindly **save the date for a third informal in-person meeting in the lead up to the fourth part of the fifth session of the INC (INC-5.4)**, scheduled to take place **within the period of 25 January to 2 February 2027**.

Please note that although this third informal in-person meeting is expected to take place within the period of 25 January to 2 February 2027, **its specific dates are still to be confirmed**.

The official invitation for this third informal in-person meeting, including the specific dates and further information regarding the meeting arrangements, will be communicated in due course following the necessary ongoing consultations.

The identified period of 25 January to 2 February 2027 is intended to provide predictability for planning purposes while maintaining flexibility until the specific dates and venue are confirmed.

The INC Secretariat remains at your disposal for any further information at [unep-incplastic.secretariat@un.org](mailto:incplastic.secretariat@un.org).

Yours sincerely,

Signed

The INC Secretariat