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Draft resolution on highly hazardous pesticides*

The United Nations Environment Assembly,

Acknowledging the International Conference on Chemicals Management resolutions IV/3 and V/11,

Noting that, unmanaged risks from highly hazardous pesticides use have potential to cause harm, and that progress to reduce the associated risk globally has been slow and uneven due to lack of safe and affordable alternatives,

Noting the UN General Assembly resolution 76/300 and welcoming resolution WHA76.17,

Recalling target 7 of Kunming-Montreal Global Biodiversity Framework adopted by the Conference of the Parties to the Convention on biological diversity,

Acknowledging the significant work being done by the Food and Agricultural Organization of the United Nations, The International Labour Organization, Basel Rotterdam and Stockholm conventions, the United Nations Environment Programme, the World Health Organization and others to raise awareness and inform and guide relevant stakeholders regarding highly hazardous pesticides,

Acknowledging that effective and inclusive multilateral action that addresses highly hazardous pesticides contributes to achieving the sound management of chemicals and waste,

Recognizing the need to scale up means of implementation, particularly for developing countries, needed to address HHPs and contribute to achieving the sound management of chemicals and waste,

1. *Encourages* stakeholders, including Member States, in line with target A7 of the voluntary, multisectoral, multi-stakeholder global framework on chemicals to take effective measures to phase out highly hazardous pesticides in agriculture where the risks have not been managed and where safer and affordable alternatives are available, and to promote transition to and make available those alternatives;
2. *Invites* Member States to continue to cooperate and coordinate in efforts to prevent illegal trafficking in highly hazardous pesticides, including, where relevant, as highlighted in decisions BC-16/24 of 12 May 2023, RC-11/11 of 12 May 2023 and SC-11/23 of 12 May 2023 adopted by the COPs of the BRS Conventions respectively on synergies in preventing and combating illegal traffic and trade in hazardous chemicals and wastes;
3. *Invites* Member States and all other relevant stakeholders to become members of the voluntary, multi-stakeholder global alliance on highly hazardous pesticides established under the Global Framework on Chemicals – For a Planet Free of Harm from Chemicals and Waste;

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4. *Encourages* Member States and other relevant stakeholders that are in position to do so, to carry out further research on safer and affordable alternatives of HHPs as appropriate;
 5. *Requests* the Executive Director to support the work of the global alliance on highly hazardous pesticides;
 6. *Also requests* the Executive Director to report to the Environment Assembly at its seventh session on the implementation of the present resolution.
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