ZMWG – IPEN final statement by Elena Lymberidi-Settimo, ZMWG co-coordinator

Thank you chair,

and a big thanks to you Mr. Chairman, the Bureau members and the UNEP Secretariat for all the work in guiding us smoothly through this first INC 1, as well as Sweden and the Nordic Council for their support for this meeting.

I would also like to express my sincere thanks to Per Bakken, on behalf of the Zero Mercury Working Group and IPEN, for all the cooperation through the years. Your openness and involvement on the issue, and your facilitation of NGO involvement, has really helped shape and advance the work to where we are now – developing a global mercury treaty. This is deeply appreciated.

We hope and wish you all the best wherever your future takes you, and we look forward to continue working with UNEP and your successor in the same collaborative way.

Thank you.