

IV. Montreal Declaration

The Parties to the Montreal Protocol,

Acknowledging with pride the historic global cooperation achieved over the past twenty years under the Montreal Protocol on Substances that Deplete the Ozone Layer to restore and protect the Earth's ozone layer, and noting in particular:

That the Montreal Protocol has made substantial and verified progress toward the recovery of the ozone layer and is recognized as one of the most successful multilateral environmental agreements,

That the success of the Montreal Protocol reflects unprecedented cooperation between developed and developing countries,

That the Montreal Protocol is founded on the full participation of the Parties and a commitment by developed countries to provide the means for developing countries to fully participate,

That the Montreal Protocol is underpinned by institutions providing scientific, economic, environmental and technical support informing policy making by Parties, as well as a financial institution, namely, the Multilateral Fund for the Implementation of the Montreal Protocol, and an effective compliance mechanism,

Recognizing that the ozone layer will require many decades to recover to pre-1980 levels and that its long-term protection is dependent on continued vigilance, dedication and action by the Parties to the Montreal Protocol,

Recognizing the importance of all Parties meeting their phase-out obligations and taking appropriate steps to prevent new ozone-depleting substances from threatening the ozone layer,

Noting that actions taken to protect the ozone layer have resulted in significant beneficial impacts on global atmospheric issues, notably climate change,

1. *Reaffirm* their commitment to phase out the consumption and production of ozone-depleting substances consistent with their Protocol obligations;
 2. *Agree* to strive for the earliest possible ratification of all of amendments to the Protocol;
 3. *Recognize* the critical role played by the provisions of Articles 5 and 10 of the Protocol in assisting developing countries and the importance of sustaining such assistance to help ensure the further phase out of ozone-depleting substances;
 4. *Agree* that protection of the ozone layer will require a long-term global commitment and will require a sustained level of scientific research, monitoring and vigilance.]
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