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Sir/Madam,

Twenty-Second Meeting of the Parties to the Montreal Protocol on Substances that Deplete the Ozone Layer, Forty-Fifth meeting of the Implementation Committee on Non-Compliance Procedures and the First meeting of the Bureau of the **Twenty-First Meeting of the Parties**

I regret to inform you that due to unforeseen circumstances the venue of the Twenty-second Meeting of the Parties to the Montreal Protocol on Substances that Deplete the Ozone Layer has been changed from Kampala, Uganda to the United Nations Conference Centre in Bangkok, Thailand. The dates of the Meeting of the Parties (8-12 November), the forty-fifth meeting of the Implementation Committee (4-5 November) and the meeting of the Bureau (6 November) will remain unchanged.

The decision to change the venue was taken in consultation with both the Bureau of the Twenty-first Meeting of the Parties and the Government of Uganda, in light of logistical constraints related to completing the necessary preparations in time for the meetings in Kampala. Due consideration was given to holding the meeting at the seat of the Secretariat in Nairobi, Kenya and the venue of the United Nations Conference Centre in Bangkok was also explored in view of the previous arrangements already made by the Secretariat earlier this year for holding the Thirtieth Meeting of the Open-ended Working Group. After considering the dates, costs, previous arrangements and feasibility of the two alternative venues, the Bureau has agreed to hold the meeting at the United Nations conference facility in Bangkok. One of the key issues was to avoid changing the dates of our meeting as it would cause difficulties to many delegations which will be participating in other subsequent international meetings and events.

The address of the new venue is:

United Nations Conference Centre United Nations Economic and Social Commission for Asia and the Pacific Rajdamnern Nok Avenue Bangkok 10200 Thailand Tel: +66 2 - 288 1234 / 2882112 / 2882571 / 2881174

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Given the new venue, the Secretariat is inviting participants to make appropriate travel arrangements and will endeavour to facilitate visa applications by seeking the support of the Government of Thailand to expedite visa issuance and enable our participants to obtain their visa upon arrival when necessary.

We recognize and sincerely apologize for the inconvenience caused by the late change in venue, and commit ourselves to working with the Parties to conclude all necessary preparations for a successful meeting in Bangkok.

Please accept, Sir/Madam, the assurances of my highest consideration.

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