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**Open-ended Working Group of the Parties to
the Montreal Protocol on Substances that
Deplete the Ozone Layer
Thirtieth meeting**
Geneva, 15–18 June 2010

Annotations to the provisional agenda

1. Opening of the meeting

1. The thirtieth meeting of the Open-ended Working Group of the Parties to the Montreal Protocol is scheduled to be opened at 10 a.m. on Tuesday, 15 June 2010, at the Centre International de Conférences de Genève (CICG) in Geneva. Registration of participants will begin at 8.30 a.m. on Sunday, 13 June, at the same location. While on-site registration will be provided, participants are encouraged to pre-register well in advance of the meeting through the Ozone Secretariat's website (<http://ozone.unep.org> and <http://www.unep.ch/ozone>).

2. Mr. Marco González, Executive Secretary of the Ozone Secretariat, will address the representatives at the opening of the meeting.

2. Organizational matters

(a) Adoption of the agenda

3. The provisional agenda will be before the Working Group for adoption. Mr. Fresnel Díaz (Bolivarian Republic of Venezuela) and Mr. Martin Sirois (Canada) will co-chair the meeting.

(b) Organization of work

4. The Working Group may wish to conduct its work in plenary session and to draw up a timetable for dealing with the items on the agenda. The co-chair will propose options for organizing the work of the meeting, which the Working Group may wish to consider.

3. Presentation of the 2010 progress report of the Technology and Economic Assessment Panel

5. The Technology and Economic Assessment Panel will present its 2010 progress report, including its reports on requests for essential-use and critical-use exemptions, alternatives to

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hydrochlorofluorocarbons (HCFCs) in special areas of the refrigeration sector, process agents and laboratory and analytical uses of ozone-depleting substances.

4. Issues related to the financial mechanism under Article 10 of the Montreal Protocol

(a) Report of the Executive Committee of the Multilateral Fund for the Implementation of the Montreal Protocol on a special facility under the Multilateral Fund (decision XXI/2)

6. In accordance with decision XXI/2 the Executive Committee has been asked to report to the parties on its work to date on the possible establishment of a special facility under the Multilateral Fund that would serve to identify and mobilize additional funds for maximizing environmental benefits from projects related to ozone-depleting substances. A written report of the Executive Committee on the matter will be posted on the Ozone Secretariat website as soon as it is made available.

(b) Terms of reference for an evaluation of the financial mechanism (decision XXI/28)

7. In decision XXI/28 the parties agreed to begin discussions at the thirtieth meeting of the Open-ended Working Group on an evaluation of the financial mechanism.

(c) Terms of reference for a study on the 2012–2014 replenishment of the Multilateral Fund

8. The Multilateral Fund has been replenished every three years since its inception. The practice of the parties has been that they take a decision on terms of reference for a study on the amount of money that will be required for a given replenishment during the penultimate year of the prior replenishment period. As the current replenishment period ends in 2011 the parties are expected to adopt a decision on replenishment of the Fund for the period 2012–2014. It is accordingly expected that the Open-ended Working Group will work on the terms of reference with a view to their completion in time to be considered by the Twenty-Second Meeting of the Parties.

5. Proposed adjustments to the Montreal Protocol

9. The Working Group is expected to consider any proposals for adjustments to the Protocol submitted pursuant to Article 2 paragraph 9 of the Montreal Protocol. As at the date of preparation of the present note no proposals for adjustments had been received by the Secretariat.

6. Proposed amendments to the Montreal Protocol

10. The Working Group is expected to consider any proposals for amendments to the Protocol submitted pursuant to Article 9 of the Vienna Convention for the Protection of the Ozone Layer and Article 2, paragraph 10, of the Montreal Protocol. As at 30 April 2010, the Secretariat had received two proposals for amendments, one from the Federated States of Micronesia (UNEP/OzL.Pro.WG.1/30/4) and one from Canada, Mexico and the United States of America (UNEP/OzL.Pro.WG.1/30/5).

7. Issues related to hydrochlorofluorocarbons

(a) Response by the Technology and Economic Assessment Panel to the hydrochlorofluorocarbon issues highlighted in decision XXI/9

11. The Open-ended Working Group is expected to hear and discuss a presentation by the Technology and Economic Assessment Panel on the Panel's report on the broad range of HCFC issues highlighted in decision XXI/9.

(b) Scoping study by the Technology and Economic Assessment Panel on alternatives to hydrochlorofluorocarbons in the refrigeration and air-conditioning sectors in parties operating under paragraph 1 of Article 5 with high ambient temperature conditions (decision XIX/8)

12. The Open-ended Working Group is expected to discuss new information presented by the Technology and Economic Assessment Panel on alternatives to hydrochlorofluorocarbons in the refrigeration and air-conditioning sectors in parties operating under paragraph 1 of Article 5 with high ambient temperature conditions. It may also wish to discuss what actions, if any, it would like to recommend for the consideration of the Twenty-Second Meeting of the Parties.

8. Issues related to exemptions from Article 2 of the Montreal Protocol

(a) Nominations for essential-use exemptions for 2011 and 2012

13. The Open-ended Working Group is expected to consider requests by parties for essential-use exemptions for 2011 and 2012 and the recommendations of the Technology and Economic Assessment Panel in respect of those requests.

(b) Results of the mission of the Technology and Economic Assessment Panel and its Medical Technical Options Committee to the Russian Federation to review that country's transition to chlorofluorocarbon-free metered-dose inhalers (decision XXI/4)

14. The Working Group is expected to discuss the report of the Technology and Economic Assessment panel on its mission to the Russian Federation and its review of the metered-dose inhaler transition strategy of that party.

(c) Nominations for critical-use exemptions for 2011 and 2012

15. The parties will hear a presentation on and discuss the Technology and Economic Assessment Panel's initial review of party requests for critical-use exemptions for methyl bromide.

(d) Technology and Economic Assessment Panel-led report on quarantine and pre-shipment issues (decision XXI/10)

16. In accordance with decision XXI/10, the Technology and Economic Assessment Panel is expected to consult with the secretariat of the International Plant Protection Convention and other experts and to prepare a report on, among other things, the technical and economic feasibility of available alternatives to ozone-depleting substances for quarantine and pre-shipment uses.

(e) Laboratory and analytical uses of ozone-depleting substances (decision XXI/6)

17. The Working Group is expected to discuss the sections of the Technology and Economic Assessment Panel's 2010 progress report relating to alternatives to the use of ozone-depleting substances for laboratory and analytical uses and the Panel's recommendations regarding the needs of parties operating under paragraph 1 of Article 5 of the Protocol. The Working Group is also expected to make recommendations, as appropriate, to the Twenty-Second Meeting of the Parties.

(f) Issues relating to the use of ozone-depleting substances as process agents (decision XXI/3)

18. In accordance with decision XXI/3, the Working Group is expected to review matters related to the use of ozone-depleting substances as process agents.

9. Environmentally sound management of banks of ozone-depleting substances

(a) Outcomes of the seminar on identifying and mobilizing funds for the destruction of ozone-depleting substances (decision XXI/2);

19. In accordance with decision XXI/2, the Secretariat will hold a seminar on identifying and mobilizing funds for the destruction of ozone-depleting substances. That seminar will be held in Geneva, Switzerland, on 14 June, the day before the opening of the thirtieth meeting of the Open-ended Working Group. The Working Group is expected to discuss the outcomes of the seminar with a view to preparing related recommendations, as appropriate, for the consideration of the Twenty-Second Meeting of the Parties.

(b) Review by the Technology and Economic Assessment Panel of technologies for the destruction of ozone-depleting substances (decision XXI/2)

20. In accordance with decision XXI/2, the Working Group is expected to consider new information presented by the Technology and Economic Assessment Panel on emerging technologies for the destruction of ozone-depleting substances.

10. Treatment of stockpiled ozone-depleting substances relative to compliance (decision XVIII/17 and paragraph 131 of report of the Twenty-First Meeting of the Parties)

21. The parties' consideration of the status of stockpiled ozone-depleting substances relative to compliance was not completed during the Twenty-First Meeting of the Parties. As requested by a group of parties it will be discussed by the Open-ended Working Group at its thirtieth meeting.

11. Additional issues arising from the 2010 progress report of the Technology and Economic Assessment Panel

22. The Working Group may wish to discuss additional issues arising from the 2010 progress report of the Technology and Economic Assessment Panel.

12. Other matters

23. The Working Group may wish to discuss other matters that are raised by parties at the time the agenda is adopted.

13. Adoption of the report

24. The draft report of the thirtieth meeting of the Open-ended Working Group will be presented for adoption.

14. Closure of the meeting

25. The thirtieth meeting of the Open-ended Working Group is scheduled to close on Friday, 18 June 2010.
