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Sir/Madam,

Subject: South Sudan becomes the 197th Party to Ozone Protection Treaties

Please refer to the above subject.

I have the honour to inform you that South Sudan became the 197th Party to both the Vienna Convention for the Protection of the Ozone Layer and the Montreal Protocol on Substances that Deplete the Ozone Layer on 12 January 2012.

This action reflects the strong commitment of the newly born Republic of South Sudan to join global efforts to address global environmental challenges.

This is a significant landmark in the history-making progression of the Ozone Treaties and the United Nations since measures to protect the ozone layer require global action in the unique status of Universal Ratification of these Treaties.

I wish to invite all Governments of the world to join the Secretariat in wholeheartedly welcoming South Sudan to the ozone protection family and to provide the new Party with all the necessary support in the implementation of the ozone treaties.

Accept, Sir/Madam, the assurances of my highest consideration.

Marco Gonzalez
Executive Secretary
Ozone Secretariat