

Ref: Oz.Sec/MOP34/Decision XXXIV/8

2 March 2023

**Decision XXXIV/8 on strengthening effective implementation and enforcement of the Montreal Protocol including illegal trade**

Dear Sir/Madam,

I would like to refer to [decision XXXIV/8](#), adopted by the Thirty-Fourth Meeting of the Parties to the Montreal Protocol which took place in Montreal from 31 October to 4 November 2022. The decision addresses the strengthening of effective implementation and enforcement of the Montreal Protocol including illegal trade. Pursuant to paragraph 4 (b) of the decision, the Ozone Secretariat is preparing a note on common features of licensing systems to assist parties wishing to improve their national licensing systems for controlled substances. This document will be a part of the background information for the workshop on strengthening effective implementation and enforcement of the Montreal Protocol that will be held in Bangkok on 2 July 2023.

**To assist us with the preparation of the note, we would appreciate if your Government could share information relevant to your domestic licensing system for substances controlled under the Montreal Protocol. Alternatively, we would be grateful if you would allow the Secretariat of the Multilateral Fund for the Implementation of the Montreal Protocol to extract available information on licensing systems from relevant verification reports and share these with the Ozone Secretariat.** Any data shared with us by the Fund Secretariat would not be used for purposes other than for our internal review and would remain confidential. Since the Meeting of the Parties has requested the Ozone Secretariat to identify common features and trends of licensing systems, no information in the paper will be attributed to any specific party.

The Ozone Secretariat looks forward to receiving a response from your Government in relation to whether the use of the relevant information from the documents held by the Fund Secretariat could be permitted. Please communicate your response by email to Maud Barcelo Martinez ([maud.barcelomartinez@un.org](mailto:maud.barcelomartinez@un.org)), copied to [mea-ozoneinfo@un.org](mailto:mea-ozoneinfo@un.org), by 26 March 2023 to enable timely preparation for the workshop.

Yours sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read 'Megumi'. Below the signature, the name 'Megumi Seki Nakamura' and the title 'Executive Secretary' are printed in a blue, sans-serif font.

Megumi Seki Nakamura  
Executive Secretary