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**Work to date on implementation of the decisions of the  
Seventeenth Meeting of the Parties, held in Dakar,  
Senegal, from 12 to 16 December 2005**  
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the Parties to the Montreal Protocol**

**Note by the Secretariat**

**Introduction**

1. Chapter I and annex I of the present note summarize the actions taken to date pursuant to the decisions adopted by the Seventeenth Meeting of the Parties to the Montreal Protocol, which was held in Dakar, Senegal from 12 to 16 December 2005. Chapter II and annex II to the present note provide an overview of the working documents prepared for both the preparatory and high-level segments of the Eighteenth Meeting of the Parties, which is to take place from 30 October to 3 November in New Delhi. Finally, chapter III provides information on the provisional agenda and a roadmap for the expected operation of the Eighteenth Meeting of the Parties and related activities.

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## **I. Actions taken pursuant to the decisions adopted by the Seventeenth Meeting of the Parties to the Montreal Protocol**

2. The table contained in annex I to the present note provides a broad overview of the decisions adopted at the Seventeenth Meeting of the Parties, the actions required of the Secretariat by those decisions and the actions taken by the Secretariat pursuant to those decisions since the Seventeenth Meeting of the Parties. With regard to those decisions and associated actions, the Secretariat would like to highlight four specific activities:

(a) Following the Seventeenth Meeting of the Parties there have been no new ratifications of the Montreal Protocol. As a result, there are still only seven States that have not ratified the Montreal Protocol: Andorra, Equatorial Guinea (which has ratified the Vienna Convention), the Holy See, Iraq, Montenegro, San Marino and Timor Leste. The Secretariat will continue to work in cooperation with Parties and institutions associated with these States in an effort to secure their ratification of the ozone treaties as soon as possible. The Parties may wish to make the issue a priority for the next year, in the hope that the twentieth anniversary of the Montreal Protocol can be celebrated with global participation in this important instrument;

(b) Pursuant to decision XVII/17, the Technology and Economic Assessment Panel prepared (TEAP), and the Open-ended Working Group at its twenty-sixth meeting considered, draft terms of reference for case studies on the technology and costs associated with a process for replacement of refrigeration and air conditioning equipment containing chlorofluorocarbons (CFCs), including the environmentally sound recovery, transport and final disposal of such equipment and associated CFCs. During its discussions, the Open-ended Working Group took note of the fact that the Executive Committee of the Multilateral Fund for the Implementation of the Montreal Protocol was considering embarking on a study of similar issues. Subsequent to the Open-ended Working Group meeting, the Executive Committee discussed the matter and the Chair of that body sent the Ozone Secretariat a letter submitting an Executive Committee decision which seems to indicate that the Committee is willing to participate in a consolidated study, should the Parties so wish. The matter is being brought to the attention of the Meeting of the Parties for its consideration;

(c) In accordance with decision XVII/19, the Ozone Secretariat convened a workshop of experts nominated by Parties to prepare a list of practical measures related to ozone that arose from the special report of the Intergovernmental Panel on Climate Change (IPCC) and TEAP entitled "Safeguarding the Ozone Layer and the Global Climate System: Issues Related to Hydrofluorocarbons and Perfluorocarbons", and the TEAP supplemental report thereto. The workshop was very successful and the resulting list of measures, along with the report of the workshop, will be considered by the Eighteenth Meeting of the Parties;

(d) In decision XVII/16, the Parties agreed to terms of reference for a study on the feasibility of developing a system for monitoring the transboundary movement of ozone-depleting substances and directed the Secretariat to commission such a study. The Parties also approved the sum of \$200,000 from the trust fund of the Vienna Convention as a one-time measure to facilitate completion of the study. In January 2006, the Secretariat, through the United Nations Office at Nairobi, invited 14 companies to submit proposals for carrying out the study. Following a review of the submitted proposals, the Secretariat selected Chatham House to carry out the study in cooperation with the Environmental Investigation Agency. In accordance of the terms of the contract with Chatham House, the report is now being finalized and the final report for submission to the Eighteenth Meeting of the Parties is expected to be dispatched to the Parties by the end of September 2006.

## **II. Overview of working documents prepared for the Eighteenth Meeting of the Parties**

3. A list of documents that will be available for the meeting is set out in annex II to the present note.

4. In summary, the provisional agenda and annotated provisional agenda for the meetings were dispatched to the Parties in late August. This was followed by the Secretariat's note, which was designed to provide Parties with some background on the issues on the agenda, including, where relevant, a brief description of any activity that took place during the twenty-sixth Meeting of the Open-ended Working Group. New information since the twenty-sixth Meeting of the Open-ended Working Group will be presented in a variety of new documents and reports. First, at the request of the

Parties, TEAP and MBTOC will prepare a supplemental report containing, among other things, its recommendations on nominations for critical use exemptions, and a workplan for MBTOC for 2007. It may also include any new presumptions MBTOC would propose use in future reviews of critical use nominations. Second, in accordance with decision XVII/19, the Secretariat sponsored a workshop of experts to prepare a list of practical ozone related measures arising from the TEAP/IPCC task force special reports released last year. A report of that workshop is being distributed to the Parties as document UNEP/OzL.Pro.18/5. Third, the Parties will be provided with the report of the consultant hired pursuant to decision XVII/16 to look into the feasibility of developing a tracking system for ozone depleting substances. The Executive Summary of that report will be translated into United Nations languages, and will be issued with the full report as document UNEP/OzL.Pro.18/6. Finally, the Secretariat has prepared proposed budgets for 2007 and beyond which can be found as document UNEP/OzL.Pro.18/4.

### **III. Review of the agenda and road map for the operation of the Eighteenth meeting of the Parties**

5. The agenda for the preparatory segment of the Eighteenth Meeting of the Parties includes a review of the substantive issues that are expected to be addressed at the end of the week during the high-level segment of the Meeting. This includes decisions on essential uses, critical uses, the Secretariat's budget and a number of other issues. In addition, the report of the Implementation Committee, which will meet for three days immediately before the Bureau meeting, is likely to include a number of recommended decisions related to compliance matters. The Secretariat expects to have the recommendations of that committee available in the six official United Nations languages for consideration during the preparatory segment as early as Tuesday.
6. Based on both tradition and expedience, the co-chairs of the Open-ended Working Group will oversee the preparatory segment of the meeting until commencement of the high-level segment, which is scheduled for Thursday. After that, it is possible that the meeting will revert, on occasion, from the high-level segment to the preparatory segment, as may be deemed necessary to enable completion of the work of the preparatory segment so that the product of that segment may be considered for action during the high-level segment.
7. Given the large number of issues that are likely to require consideration by contact groups, the meeting schedule may be altered on Tuesday and/or Wednesday to provide for morning and evening plenary sessions, with several hours left free in the middle of the day for contact groups to meet. Final arrangements in this regard will have to be determined during the meeting.
8. The opening of the high-level segment on Thursday will be presided over by the current President of the Montreal Protocol, who will sit ceremonially until the election of the newly elected President. In accordance with the historic sequencing of positions, and unless the Eighteenth Meeting of the Parties decides otherwise, the Bureau of the Meeting of the Parties to the Montreal Protocol for 2007 is expected to have a president selected from the African group, Vice-Presidents selected from the Asian, Eastern European and Latin American and Caribbean groups; and the Rapporteur selected from the Western European and others group.
9. The newly elected President would then work the Parties through the agenda, with an understanding that some work of contact groups established under the preparatory segment could take place in parallel with the high-level plenary sessions in an effort to resolve any outstanding issues by Friday, when decisions would have to be adopted.

## Annex I

## Actions taken pursuant to the decisions of the Seventeenth Meeting of the Parties as of July 2006

Dec.	Decision title	Action(s) required of the Secretariat	Actions taken by the Secretariat
XVII/1	Status of ratification of the Vienna Convention, the Montreal Protocol and the London, Copenhagen, Montreal and Beijing amendments to the Montreal Protocol	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Urge all States that have not yet done so to ratify, approve or accede to the Vienna Convention and the Montreal Protocol and its amendments.</li> </ul>	Letters were sent to all concerned States in February 2006. Between January and July 2006, the amendments to the Montreal Protocol have been ratified by States as follows: London Amendment – 3, Copenhagen Amendment – 4, Montreal Amendment – 7, and Beijing Amendment – 10.
XVII/2	Request by Cyprus to be removed from the list of developing countries under the Montreal Protocol	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Ensure that Cyprus assumes the obligations of a Party not operating under paragraph 1 of Article 5 of the Montreal Protocol for the year 2005 and thereafter.</li> </ul>	The Party was accordingly advised in a letter sent in February 2006.
XVII/3	Application to Belgium, Poland and Portugal of paragraph 8 of Article 4 of the Montreal Protocol with respect to the Beijing Amendment to the Montreal Protocol	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Advise Belgium, Poland and Portugal that the exceptions provided in paragraph 8 of Article 4 of the Montreal Protocol with respect to trade with non-Parties shall apply to them from 17 December 2005 until the Eighteenth Meeting of the Parties.</li> </ul>	The decision was communicated to the three Parties in February 2006 and all of them have since ratified the Beijing Amendment to the Montreal Protocol.
XVII/4	Application to Tajikistan of paragraph 8 of Article 4 of the Montreal Protocol with respect to the Beijing Amendment to the Montreal Protocol	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Advise Tajikistan that the exceptions provided in paragraph 8 of Article 4 of the Montreal Protocol with respect to trade with non-Parties shall apply to the Party from 17 December 2005 until the Eighteenth Meeting of the Parties.</li> </ul>	The decision was communicated to the Party in February 2006.
XVII/5	Essential use nominations for Parties not operating under paragraph 1 of Article 5 for controlled substances for 2006 and 2007	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Notify Parties concerned of approved essential-use nominations and associated conditions;</li> <li>Request Parties not operating under paragraph 1 of Article 5 to submit a date to the Secretariat for proposing regulations to determine the non-essentiality of the vast majority of CFCs for metered-dose inhalers before the Eighteenth Meeting of the Parties.</li> </ul>	Parties concerned notified in February 2006.

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XVII/6	Process agents	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Notify TEAP and the Executive Committee of the Multilateral Fund (through the Fund Secretariat) of the request contained in paragraph 6 of the decision regarding progress made in emission reduction from process-agent uses;</li> <li>Notify TEAP of the request contained in paragraph 7 of the decision on information review and recommendations to the Twentieth Meeting of the Parties in 2008 on process agent use exemptions;</li> <li>Request Parties with process-agent uses to submit data to TEAP by 31 December and each year thereafter on opportunities to reduce emissions for TEAP to review every other year.</li> </ul>	Parties concerned were notified in February 2006 and TEAP and the Executive Committee were requested to consider relevant elements of the decision as appropriate.
XVII/7	List of uses of controlled substances as process agents	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Notify all Parties of the adoption of uses of controlled substances as a revised table A for decision X/14.</li> </ul>	A letter notifying all Parties of the decision went out in February 2006.
XVII/8	List of uses of controlled substances as process agents	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Notify all Parties of the adoption of uses of controlled substances as an interim table A bis for decision X/14 subject to reconfirmation and inclusion in 2007.</li> </ul>	A letter notifying all Parties of the decision went out in February 2006.
XVII/9	Critical-use exemptions for methyl bromide for 2006 and 2007	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Notify Parties of permitted critical-use nominations and associated conditions;</li> <li>Request the TEAP Quarantine and Pre-shipment Task Force to carry out an evaluation in accordance with paragraph 8 of the decision and TEAP and MBTOC to report for 2005 and annually thereafter on the amount of methyl bromide critical uses nominated by a party and the amount agreed either as licensed, permitted or authorized or the amount used.</li> </ul>	A letter notifying concerned Parties of the decision went out in January 2006. The Quarantine and Pre-shipment Task Force was requested to address the evaluation called for in February 2006. The report of TEAP on the issue, as contained in paragraphs 133–144 of the 2006 TEAP progress report, was considered by the Open-ended Working Group at its twenty-sixth meeting, in July 2006, and reflected in paragraphs 92-99 of the report of that meeting (UNEP/OzL.Pro.WG.1/26/7).
XVII/10	Laboratory and analytical critical uses of methyl bromide	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Notify Parties of the agreed and excluded laboratory and analytical critical uses and related conditions as specified in paragraphs 2 and 3 of the decision pursuant to decisions VII/11 and XI/15;</li> <li>Notify TEAP to consider other uses and criteria for laboratory and analytical critical uses for which information is available and report to the Open-ended Working Group (OEWG) at its twenty-sixth meeting;</li> <li>Include the issue on the agenda of the twenty-sixth OEWG meeting;</li> <li>Establish and maintain for the Parties a current and consolidated list of laboratory and critical analytical uses that are no longer categorized as such by Parties.</li> </ul>	A letter to Parties was sent out in February 2006 and TEAP was notified of what is required of it by the decision. The TEAP review of the issue is discussed in pages 69–73 of its 2006 progress report, and was considered by the Open-ended Working Group at its twenty-sixth meeting and reflected in paragraphs 92–99 of the report of that meeting (UNEP/OzL.Pro.WG.1/26/7).

Dec.	Decision title	Action(s) required of the Secretariat	Actions taken by the Secretariat
XVII/11	Recapturing/recycling and destruction of methyl bromide from space fumigation	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Notify Parties to submit to TEAP details of efficacy, including destruction and removal efficiency of methyl bromide deployed or planned for recapture, recycle, destruction or reduction of emissions from fixed facilities or sea container fumigation applications;</li> <li>• Notify TEAP to include the findings of data from Parties in its 2006 progress report.</li> </ul>	A letter notifying all Parties went out in February 2006. The TEAP 2006 progress report, at page 124, contains updated information on the issue.
XVII/12	Minimizing production of chlorofluorocarbons by Parties not operating under paragraph 1 of Article 5 of the Montreal Protocol to meet the basic domestic needs of Parties operating under paragraph 1 of Article 5	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Advise all Parties not operating under paragraph 1 of Article 5 (non-Article 5 Parties) producing CFCs to meet the basic domestic needs of Parties operating under paragraph 1 of Article 5 (Article 5 Parties) by ensuring that such production is truly required by requesting written confirmation from prospective importing Parties and copying such confirmation to the Secretariat at the time of reporting data;</li> <li>• Report to the Eighteenth Meeting of the Parties and each year the level of CFC production by non-Article 5 Parties for basic domestic needs of Article 5 Parties compared to their allowed production as set out in Article 2A;</li> <li>• Request non-Article 5 Parties with entitlement to produce CFCs for basic domestic needs to ensure an accelerated phase-out of their production and report on progress to the Eighteenth Meeting of the Parties.</li> </ul>	A letter to all non-Article 5 Parties went out in February 2006. Subsequently, Canada proposed an adjustment to Article 2A of the Montreal Protocol pursuant to the decision, which was considered by the Open-ended Working Group at its twenty-sixth meeting (UNEP/OzL.Pro.WG.1/26/7, paras. 148–156). A modified proposal for adjustment of the Protocol, along with the background document, will be considered by the Eighteenth Meeting of the Parties.
XVII/13	Use of carbon tetrachloride for laboratory and analytical uses in Parties operating under Article 5 of the Montreal Protocol	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Advise Article 5 Parties to minimize consumption of carbon tetrachloride in laboratory and analytical uses by applying the criteria and procedures of global exemption currently applicable to non-Article 5 Parties;</li> <li>• Bring to the attention of the Implementation Committee and the Parties the deferral of consideration of the compliance status until 2007 in relation to control measures of carbon tetrachloride of Article 5 Parties who show that any compliance deviation is due to analytical and laboratory uses of carbon tetrachloride.</li> </ul>	The decision was brought to the attention of the Implementation Committee at its thirty-sixth meeting in June/July 2006 and was taken into account in considering the non-compliance situation of Mauritius (recommendation 36/29(c) and The Former Yugoslav Republic of Macedonia (recommendation 36/44(b)) (UNEP/OzL.Pro/ImpCom/36/7).

Dec.	Decision title	Action(s) required of the Secretariat	Actions taken by the Secretariat
XVII/14	Difficulties faced by some Parties operating under paragraph 1 of Article 5 of the Montreal Protocol with respect to chlorofluorocarbons used in the manufacture of metered-dose inhalers	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Notify the Executive Committee of the Multilateral Fund through the Fund Secretariat to examine difficulties that Article 5 Parties may face in relation to metered-dose inhalers and consider appropriate regional awareness and education workshops to stake holders on alternative metered-dose inhalers and elimination of CFCs in metered-dose inhaler uses and technical assistance to Article 5 Parties to phase out such uses;</li> <li>• Include the issue on the agenda of the twenty-sixth OEWG meeting and the Eighteenth Meeting of the Parties.</li> </ul>	The decision was brought to the attention of the Fund Secretariat and the Executive Committee in February 2006. The issue was discussed by OEWG at its twenty-sixth meeting, as reflected in paragraphs 59–70 of its report (UNEP/OzL.Pro.WG.1/26/7), based on the 2006 TEAP progress report (pp. 23–51). Three draft decisions on the issue have been forwarded to the Eighteenth Meeting of the Parties. Subsequently, the Executive Committee at its forty-ninth meeting considered the options for addressing the situation of countries referred to in the decision with respect to specific activities to make transition to non-CFC production of metered-dose inhalers and adopted decision 49/33.
XVII/15	Coordination between the Ozone Secretariat and the Secretariat of International Plant Protection Convention	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Liaise with the IPPC secretariat regarding the application of standard 15 of the International Standards for Phytosanitary Measures (ISPM);</li> <li>• Notify TEAP to provide any information collected by the Quarantine and Pre-shipment Task Force pursuant to decision XVI/10 to the relevant bodies of IPPC.</li> </ul>	The decision was a subject of discussion at the twenty-sixth meeting of OEWG (UNEP/OzL.Pro.WG.1/26/7, paras. 107–115). There is continued cooperation between the ozone regime and the IPPC secretariat. At the request of the Ozone Secretariat, and in an effort to save travel funds, a representative of the Fund Secretariat participated in a session of the Convention's Technical Panel on Forest Quarantine held in New York in May 2006 and a representative of the IPPC Secretariat participated in the twenty-sixth meeting of OEWG, at which he provided an overview of the May 2006 meeting which was part of the process to revise ISPM 15. TEAP reported to OEWG at its twenty-sixth meeting that it had not had sufficient time to complete the task pursuant to decision XVI/10 and suggested that a response would be included in its 2006 assessment report, expected to be completed by the end of 2006.

Dec.	Decision title	Action(s) required of the Secretariat	Actions taken by the Secretariat
XVII/16	Preventing illegal trade in controlled ozone-depleting substances	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Advise all Parties to implement fully the licensing system required under Article 4B of the Protocol and invite them to submit information to the Secretariat by 30 June 2006 on any existing systems for information exchange between importing and exporting Parties;</li> <li>• Encourage the United Nations Environment Programme Division of Technology, Industry and Economics (UNEP DTIE) to carry out further work on the Green Customs initiative in combating illegal trade in ozone-depleting substances as well as further work in networking and twinning activities in regional networks;</li> <li>• Request the Executive Committee to consider recommendations contained in its report on the evaluation of customs officers training and licensing systems projects relating to customs training and other elements of capacity-building needed to combat illegal trade in ozone-depleting substances;</li> <li>• Revise the reporting format resulting from decision VII/9 to cover exports (including re-exports) of ozone-depleting substances, including mixtures, and report back aggregated information on ozone-depleting substances received from exporting and re-exporting Parties;</li> <li>• Undertake a study on the feasibility of developing an international system of monitoring the transboundary movement of controlled ozone-depleting substances between Parties and present the results to the Eighteenth Meeting of the Parties and consult with other conventions or organizations that might benefit from the outcome of that study.</li> </ul>	<p>Letter to all concerned Parties sent out in February 2006. UNEP DTIE advised to carry out further work on Green Customs Initiative in March 2006 and Executive Committee advised in January 2006 to consider relevant parts of the decision. The reporting format resulting from decision VII/9 was revised and communicated to the Parties in March 2006.</p> <p>The Secretariat invited bids for carrying out a study on an ozone-depleting substances tracking system in January 2006. The winning company presented a progress report to the Secretariat in June 2006 and is expected to submit a final report by 15 September 2006 for consideration by the Eighteenth Meeting of the Parties.</p>
XVII/17	Technical and financial implications of the environmentally sound destruction of concentrated and diluted sources of ozone-depleting substances	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Notify TEAP that it is to prepare terms of reference for the conduct of case studies in Article 5 Parties, with regional representation, on the technology and costs associated with a process for the replacement of CFC-containing refrigeration and air-conditioning equipment and that it is to review possible synergies with other conventions and to adopt the recovery and destruction efficiency parameter proposed by TEAP at the twenty-fifth OEWG meeting;</li> <li>• Include the issue on the agenda of the twenty-sixth OEWG meeting.</li> </ul>	<p>TEAP was notified of the decision in January 2006 and addressed the issue in its 2006 progress report in pages 92–96 and 227–228. The OEWG considered the issues at its twenty-sixth meeting (UNEP/OzL.Pro.WG.1/26/7, paras. 71–78) and forwarded a draft decision to the Eighteenth Meeting of the Parties. The same issue was considered by the Executive Committee of the Multilateral Fund at its forty-eighth and forty-ninth meetings and will be further discussed at its fiftieth meeting (decision 49/36) in the light of any guidance provided by the Eighteenth Meeting of the Parties.</p>

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XVII/18	Request for assistance of the Technology and Economic Assessment Panel for the meeting of experts on destruction	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Notify TEAP and its technical options committee to submit to the Multilateral Fund available data to enable the Fund secretariat to assess the extent of current and future requirements for the collection and disposition of non-reusable and unwanted ozone-depleting substances in Article 5 Parties pursuant to decision 47/52.</li> </ul>	TEAP was notified of the decision in January 2006. The Executive Committee of the Multilateral Fund considered the issue at its forty-ninth meeting in the context of its previous decision 47/52 and the terms of reference developed by TEAP for consideration by OEWG at its twenty-sixth meeting. The issue will be discussed further at the fiftieth meeting of the Executive Committee based on the guidance provided by the Eighteenth Meeting of the Parties as it relates to decision XVII/17.
XVII/19	Consideration of the Technology and Economic Assessment Panel and Intergovernmental Panel on Climate Change special report as it relates to actions to address ozone depletion	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Organize an experts workshop in the margins of the twenty-sixth OEWG meeting to consider issues arising from the TEAP/IPCC special report and the latter's supplementary report and invite the IPCC secretariat to participate in the workshop as an observer so that it can report back to the United Nations Framework Convention on Climate Change;</li> <li>• Request Parties to nominate experts to participate in the workshop by 30 March 2006;</li> <li>• Notify TEAP to present a summary of the reports at the workshop and to coordinate with the World Meteorological Organization and the Scientific Assessment Panel the source of the discrepancy between emissions determined from bottom-up methods and from atmospheric measurement;</li> <li>• Deliver the report of the workshop to the Parties by 1 September 2006 for consideration by the Eighteenth Meeting of the Parties.</li> </ul>	A workshop with participants nominated by Parties to consider the TEAP/IPCC report was organized in Montreal on 7 July 2006 back-to-back with the twenty-sixth OEWG meeting. A list of practical measures relating to ozone depletion arising out of the TEAP/IPCC special report was developed during the workshop. A report of the workshop is being prepared for presentation to the Eighteenth Meeting of the Parties.
XVII/20	Data and information provided by the Parties in accordance with Article 7 of the Montreal Protocol	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Write to Parties with outstanding data (Cook Islands, Mozambique and Nauru ), with copies to implementing agencies;</li> <li>• Encourage Parties to report data as soon as figures are available, preferably by 30 June.</li> </ul>	Letters were sent to Parties in February 2006. By June 2006, outstanding data for 2004 had been received from Cook Islands and Nauru but not from Mozambique. The Implementation Committee reviewed this decision at its thirty-sixth Meeting, in June/July 2006, and adopted recommendations 36/11, 36/31, 36/33 and 36/50 (a) (UNEP/OzL.Pro/ImpCom/36/7).
XVII/21	Non-compliance with data-reporting requirements under Articles 5 and 7 of the Montreal Protocol by Parties recently ratifying the Montreal Protocol	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Write to Eritrea, with a copy to implementing agencies.</li> </ul>	A letter was sent to Eritrea in February 2006. The Implementation Committee reviewed the decision at its thirty-sixth Meeting, in June/July 2006, and adopted recommendation 36/14, which is contained in the report of that meeting (UNEP/OzL.Pro/ImpCom/36/7).

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XVII/22	Non-compliance with data reporting requirements for the purpose of establishing baselines under Article 5, paragraphs 3 and 8 ter (d)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Write to Serbia and Montenegro, with a copy to the implementing agencies.</li> </ul>	A letter was sent to Serbia and Montenegro in February 2006. The Implementation Committee reviewed the decision at its thirty-sixth Meeting, in June/July 2006, and adopted recommendation 36/40, which is contained in the report of that meeting (UNEP/OzL.Pro/ImpCom/36/7).
XVII/23	Report on the establishment of licensing systems under Article 4B of the Montreal Protocol	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Urge all remaining Parties to the Montreal Amendment to provide information on the establishment of licensing systems and urge those that have not yet established such systems to do so as a matter of urgency;</li> <li>Encourage all remaining Parties to the Protocol that have not yet ratified the Montreal Amendment to ratify it and to establish import and export licensing systems if they have not yet done so;</li> <li>Urge all Parties that already operate licensing systems to ensure that they are implemented and enforced effectively.</li> </ul>	Letters were sent to Parties in February 2006. The Implementation Committee will review the status of compliance with Article 4B of the Montreal Protocol at its thirty-seventh meeting in October 2006.
XVII/24	Reports of the Parties submitted under Article 9 of the Montreal Protocol on research, development, public awareness and exchange of information	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Urge all Parties to submit information in accordance with paragraph 3 of Article 9.</li> </ul>	Letters were sent to all Parties in January 2006.
XVII/25	Non-compliance with the Montreal Protocol by Armenia and request for a plan of action	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Request Armenia to submit a plan of action to return to compliance.</li> </ul>	A letter was sent to Armenia in February 2006. The Implementation Committee reviewed the decision at its thirty-sixth Meeting, in June/July 2006, and adopted recommendation 36/2, which is contained in the report of that meeting (UNEP/OzL.Pro/ImpCom/36/7).
XVII/26	Non-compliance with the Montreal Protocol by Azerbaijan	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Notify Azerbaijan of the decision and request it to report on the status of its efforts to obtain assistance from the Global Environment Facility.</li> </ul>	A letter was sent to Azerbaijan in February 2006. The Implementation Committee reviewed the decision at its thirty-sixth meeting and adopted recommendation 36/3, which is contained in the report of that meeting (UNEP/OzL.Pro/ImpCom/36/7).
XVII/27	Non-compliance with the Montreal Protocol by Bangladesh	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Notify Bangladesh of the decision (plan of action).</li> </ul>	A letter was sent to Bangladesh in February 2006. The Implementation Committee reviewed the decision at its thirty-sixth meeting and adopted recommendation 36/4, which is contained in the report of that meeting (UNEP/OzL.Pro/ImpCom/36/7).
XVII/28	Non-compliance with the Montreal Protocol by Bosnia and Herzegovina	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Notify Bosnia and Herzegovina of the decision (plan of action).</li> </ul>	A letter was sent to Bosnia and Herzegovina in February 2006. The Implementation Committee reviewed the decision at its thirty-sixth meeting and adopted recommendation 36/7, which is contained in the report of that meeting (UNEP/OzL.Pro/ImpCom/36/7).

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XVII/29	Non-compliance with the Montreal Protocol by Chile	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Notify Chile of the decision (plan of action).</li> </ul>	A letter was sent to Chile in February 2006. The Implementation Committee reviewed the decision at its thirty-sixth meeting and adopted recommendation 36/9, which is contained in the report of that meeting (UNEP/OzL.Pro/ImpCom/36/7).
XVII/30	Potential non-compliance in 2004 with consumption of the controlled substances in Annex B, group 1 (other fully halogenated chlorofluorocarbons) by China, and request for a plan of action	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Request China to submit an explanation for the excess consumption of Annex B group I substances (other CFCs) together with a plan of action to return to compliance.</li> </ul>	A letter was sent to China in February 2006. The Implementation Committee reviewed the decision at its thirty-sixth meeting and adopted recommendation 36/10, which is contained in the report of that meeting (UNEP/OzL.Pro/ImpCom/36/7).
XVII/31	Non-compliance with the Montreal Protocol by Ecuador	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Notify Ecuador of the decision (plan of action).</li> </ul>	A letter was sent to Ecuador in February 2006. The Implementation Committee reviewed the decision at its thirty-sixth meeting and adopted recommendation 36/12, which is contained in the report of that meeting (UNEP/OzL.Pro/ImpCom/36/7).
XVII/32	Compliance with the Montreal Protocol by Federated States of Micronesia	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Notify the Federated States of Micronesia of the decision (plan of action).</li> </ul>	A letter was sent to Federated States of Micronesia in February 2006. The Implementation Committee reviewed the decision at its thirty-sixth and adopted recommendation 36/16, which is contained in the report of that meeting (UNEP/OzL.Pro/ImpCom/36/7).
XVI/33	Non-compliance with the Montreal Protocol by Fiji	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Notify Fiji of the decision (plan of action).</li> </ul>	A letter was sent to Fiji in February 2006. The Implementation Committee reviewed the decision at its thirty-sixth meeting and adopted recommendation 36/17, which is contained in the report of that meeting (UNEP/OzL.Pro/ImpCom/36/7).
XVII/34	Revised plan of action to return Honduras to compliance with the control measures in Article 2H of the Montreal Protocol	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Notify Honduras of the decision (revised plan of action).</li> </ul>	A letter was sent to Honduras in February 2006. The Implementation Committee reviewed the decision at its thirty-sixth meeting and adopted recommendation 36/21, which is contained in the report of that meeting (UNEP/OzL.Pro/ImpCom/36/7).
XVII/35	Potential non-compliance in 2004 with the controlled substances in Annex A, group I (CFCs) by Kazakhstan, and request for a plan of action	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Request Kazakhstan to submit an explanation for the consumption of Annex A group I substances (CFCs) in excess of its plan of action to return to compliance.</li> </ul>	A letter was sent to Kazakhstan in February 2006. The Implementation Committee reviewed the decision at its thirty-sixth meeting and adopted recommendation 36/23, which is contained in the report of that meeting (UNEP/OzL.Pro/ImpCom/36/7).
XVII/36	Non-compliance with the Montreal Protocol by Kyrgyzstan	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Notify Kyrgyzstan of the decision (plan of action).</li> </ul>	A letter was sent to Kyrgyzstan in February 2006. The Implementation Committee reviewed the decision at its thirty-sixth meeting and adopted recommendation 36/25, which is contained in the report of that meeting (UNEP/OzL.Pro/ImpCom/36/7).

<b>Dec.</b>	<b>Decision title</b>	<b>Action(s) required of the Secretariat</b>	<b>Actions taken by the Secretariat</b>
XVII/37	Non-compliance with the Montreal Protocol by the Libyan Arab Jamahiriya	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Notify the Libyan Arab Jamahiriya of the decision (plan of action).</li> </ul>	A letter was sent to the Libyan Arab Jamahiriya in February 2006. The Implementation Committee reviewed the decision at its thirty-sixth meeting and adopted recommendation 36/27, which is contained in the report of that meeting (UNEP/OzL.Pro/ImpCom/36/7).
XVII/38	Non-compliance with the Montreal Protocol by Sierra Leone, and request for a plan of action	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Request Sierra Leone to submit a plan of action to return to compliance.</li> </ul>	A letter was sent to Sierra Leone in February 2006. The Implementation Committee reviewed the decision at its thirty-sixth meeting and adopted recommendation 36/41, which is contained in the report of that meeting (UNEP/OzL.Pro/ImpCom/36/7).
XVII/39	Revised plan of action for the early phase-out of methyl bromide in Uruguay	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Notify Uruguay of the decision (revised plan of action).</li> </ul>	A letter was sent to Uruguay in February 2006. The Implementation Committee reviewed the decision at its thirty-sixth meeting and adopted recommendation 36/48, which is contained in the report of that meeting (UNEP/OzL.Pro/ImpCom/36/7).
XVII/40	The 2006–2008 replenishment of the Multilateral Fund	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Notify the Treasurer and Secretariat of the Multilateral Fund of the decision.</li> </ul>	Notification letters were sent to the Treasurer and Multilateral Fund Secretariat in January 2006.
XVII/41	Fixed exchange rate mechanism for the replenishment of the Multilateral Fund	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Notify the Treasurer and Multilateral Fund Secretariat of the decision.</li> </ul>	Notification letters were sent to the Treasurer and Multilateral Fund Secretariat in February 2006.
XVII/42	Financial matters: Financial reports and budgets	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Urge Parties with outstanding contributions to the Trust Fund for the Montreal Protocol to pay their contributions promptly and in full;</li> <li>Inform the Open-ended Working Group at its twenty-sixth meeting of sources of income and actual and projected expenditures and commitments and prepare an indicative report on all expenditures against agreed budget lines.</li> </ul>	Between January and February 2006, Parties were requested to pay their 2006 contributions and reminded to pay unpaid prior years' contributions. A brief indicative financial report on the actual and projected expenditures and commitments against budget lines for the 2006 budget of the Trust Fund for the Montreal Protocol was presented to OEWG at its twenty-sixth meeting in July 2006 as document UNEP/OzL.Pro.WG.1/26/Inf.2.
XVII/43	Membership of the Implementation Committee	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Notify Cameroon, Georgia (President for 2006), Guatemala, Nepal and the Netherlands (one year);</li> <li>Notify Argentina, Lebanon, New Zealand (Vice-President and Rapporteur for 2006), Nigeria and Poland (two years).</li> </ul>	Notification letters to new members were sent in January 2006.
XVII/44	Membership of the Executive Committee of the Multilateral Fund	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Notify Australia, Belgium, Brazil, Burundi, Canada, Czech Republic, Guinea, India, Italy, Japan, Mexico, Sweden, Syrian Arab Republic, United States of America and Zambia;</li> <li>Notify Mr. Khaled Klaly (Syria) as Chair and Ms. Lesley Dowling as Vice-Chair.</li> </ul>	Notification letters to all members were sent in January 2006.

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XVII/45	Endorsement of new Co-chairs of the technical options committee of the Technology and Economic Assessment Panel	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Notify new Co-Chairs of Halon, Methyl Bromide and Chemicals technical options committees.</li> </ul>	Notification letters were sent in January 2006.
XVII/46	Co-Chairs of the Open-ended Working Group of the Parties to the Montreal Protocol	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Notify Mr. Nadzri Yahaya (Malaysia) and Mr. Tom Land (United States of America).</li> </ul>	Notification letters were sent in January 2006 and the two co-chaired the twenty-sixth meeting of OEWG in July 2006.
XVII/47	Dates of future Montreal Protocol meetings	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Post on the Secretariat's website by 31 January each year indicative dates for the next two meetings of the Open-ended Working Group and the Meetings of the Parties;</li> <li>Notify TEAP to post on its website by 20 January the dates in the coming year for its meetings and meetings of its technical options committees.</li> </ul>	<p>The tentative dates for OEWG meetings and the Meetings of the Parties to the Montreal Protocol in 2006 and 2007 were posted on the Secretariat's website in January 2006 following consultations with potential hosts of these meetings and confirmation of venues. A revised list of dates was posted on 17 August 2006.</p> <p>Following consultations with the Secretariat and other stakeholders, TEAP in January 2006 posted on its website dates for its meetings and those of various technical options committees in 2006 and 2007.</p>
XVII/48	Eighteenth Meeting of the Parties to the Montreal Protocol	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Notify all Parties of the dates of the meeting at the appropriate time and make arrangements for New Delhi, India.</li> </ul>	The Secretariat visited New Delhi in May 2006 and agreed with the Government of India on the terms of the host Government agreement for the Eighteenth Meeting of the Parties, which will take place in New Delhi from 30 October to 3 November 2006. The invitation to the Eighteenth Meeting of the Parties will be communicated to all Parties in August 2006.

## Annex II

### List of documents for the Eighteenth Meeting of the Parties

UNEP/OzL.Pro/18/1	Provisional agenda
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UNEP/OzL.Pro/18/2	Note by the Secretariat: issues for discussion by and information for the attention of the Meeting of the Parties
UNEP/OzL.Pro/18/3	Draft decisions and proposed adjustment
UNEP/OzL.Pro/18/4	Approved 2006 and proposed 2007 and 2008 budgets of the Trust Fund for the Montreal Protocol on Substances that Deplete the Ozone Layer
UNEP/OzL.Pro/18/4/Add.1	Financial report on the trust funds for the Vienna Convention for the Protection of the Ozone Layer and the Montreal Protocol on Substances that Deplete the Ozone Layer for the biennium 2004–2005 and expenditures for 2005 as compared to the approved budgets
UNEP/OzL.Pro/18/5	Report of the workshop of experts on the TEAP/IPCC special report
UNEP/OzL.Pro/18/6	Feasibility study on tracking of ozone-depleting substances
UNEP/OzL.Pro/18/7	Treatment of stockpiles relative to compliance
UNEP/OzL.Pro/18/8	Report of the Executive Committee to the Meeting of the Parties
UNEP/OzL.Pro/18/9	Information provided by Parties in accordance with Article 7
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UNEP/OzL.Pro/18/Inf/5	Submissions of Parties on the Canadian proposal related to the Future of the Montreal Protocol
UNEP/OzL.Pro/18/Inf/6	Information reported by the Parties to the Montreal Protocol on illegal trade in ozone-depleting substances (paragraph 7 of decision XIV/7)
UNEP/OzL.Pro/18/Inf/7	Treatment of data in respect of very small quantities (de minimis) of ozone-depleting substances relative to compliance with the Montreal Protocol
UNEP/OzL.Pro/18/Inf/8	List of participants