NINTH MEETING OF THE PARTIES TO
THE MONTREAL PROTOCOL ON
SUBSTANCES THAT DEPLETE
THE OZONE LAYER
Montreal, 15-17 September 1997

PROVISIONAL AGENDA

1. Opening of the Meeting:
   (a) Statement by a representative of the Government of Canada;
   (b) Statement by the Executive Director of the United Nations
        Environment Programme (UNEP);
   (c) Statement by the heads of other United Nations Agencies present;
   (d) Statement by the President of the Eighth Meeting of the Parties.

2. Organizational matters:
   (a) Election of the President, three Vice-Presidents and the
       Rapporteur;
   (b) Adoption of the agenda;
   (c) Organization of work;
   (d) Credentials of representatives.

3. Statements by heads of delegations.

4. Presentation of report by the Co-Chairs of the Open-ended Working Group and consideration of the recommendations of the Open-ended Working Group and decisions on amendments and adjustments to the Montreal Protocol proposed by the Parties, actions to improve the Financial Mechanism and technology transfer, essential-use nominations for ozone-depleting substances, critical agricultural uses and control of trade
with non-Parties in methyl bromide, control of exports of ozone-depleting substances, revised formats for reporting data, proposed budgets for the Montreal Protocol Trust Fund and other issues.

5. Consideration of the report of the President of the Implementation Committee under the Non-Compliance Procedure for the Montreal Protocol.


7. Date and venue of the Tenth Meeting of the Parties.

8. Other matters.

9. Adoption of the report.

10. Closure of the meeting.

ANNOTATIONS

Item 1

The meeting will be opened at 10 a.m. on Monday, 15 September 1997, at the headquarters of the International Civil Aviation Organization (ICAO), Montreal, Canada. The registration of participants will start at 9 a.m.

The Meeting will be preceded by the sixteenth meeting of the Open-ended Working Group, held at the same venue from 9 to 12 September 1997. That meeting will start at 9 a.m on 9 September, with registration of participants beginning at 9 a.m.

Item 2 (a)

Rule 21, paragraph 1, of the rules of procedure of the meetings of the Parties to the Montreal Protocol states that:

"At the commencement of the first session of each ordinary meeting, a President, three Vice-Presidents and a Rapporteur are to be elected from among the representatives of the Parties present at the meeting. They will serve as the officers of the meeting. In electing its officers, the Meeting of the Parties shall have due regard to the principle of equitable geographical representation. The offices of President and Rapporteur of the Meeting of the Parties shall normally be subject to rotation among the five groups of States referred to in section I, paragraph 1, of General Assembly resolution 2997 (XXVII) of 15 December 1972, by which the United Nations Environment Programme was established."

A Party from the African Group presided over the Eighth Meeting of the Parties, while a Party from the Western European and Others Group served as Rapporteur. On the basis of rotation according to English alphabetical order among the five groups of States referred to in General Assembly resolution 2997 (XXVII), a Party from the Asian and Pacific Group may be elected to preside over the Ninth Meeting, and a Party from the African Group elected as
Rapporteur, unless the Meeting decides otherwise. Three Vice-Presidents may be elected from the Eastern European, Latin American and Caribbean and Western European and Others Group, respectively.

Item 2 (b)

The above provisional agenda will be before the Meeting for adoption.

Item 2 (c)

The Meeting may wish to carry out its work in plenary and draw up a specific timetable for the work under the agenda.

Item 2 (d)

In accordance with rule 18 of the rules of procedure for meetings of the Parties to the Montreal Protocol, the credentials of representatives shall be submitted to the Executive Secretary of the Meeting, if possible not later than twenty-four hours after the opening of the Meeting. In accordance with rule 19, the officers of the Meeting shall examine the credentials and submit their report to the Meeting.

Item 4

The recommendations of the Open-ended Working Group will contain draft decisions on amendments and adjustments to the Montreal Protocol, as well as on essential-use nominations for ozone-depleting substances, control of trade in methyl bromide, critical agricultural uses of methyl bromide, the revised 1998 and proposed 1999 budgets for the Montreal Protocol Trust Fund, revised formats for reporting data, actions to improve the Financial Mechanism and technology transfer, illegal trade in ozone-depleting substances, the budget of the Secretariat and other issues. The report by the Executive Director will be circulated as document UNEP/OzL.Pro.9/2. The budgets of the Montreal Protocol Trust Fund and a statement of accounts for 1996 will be circulated as documents UNEP/OzL.Pro.9/4 and 5, respectively. The draft decisions will be contained in document UNEP/OzL.Pro.9/6.

Item 5

The report of the President of the Implementation Committee under the Non-Compliance Procedure for the Montreal Protocol will be made at the meeting. The report of the Secretariat on data reported by the Parties will be circulated as document UNEP/OzL.Pro.9/3.

Item 6

The report of the Chair of the Executive Committee will be circulated as document UNEP/OzL.Pro.9/7.

Item 7

Decision VII/38 of the Seventh Meeting of the Parties to the Montreal Protocol specified that the Tenth Meeting of the Parties will take place in Egypt. The Meeting may wish to finalize the dates.

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Item 8

The Parties may wish to raise other matters for discussion by the Meeting.

Item 9

The draft report of the Ninth Meeting of the Parties will be presented for adoption at the conclusion of the Meeting.

Item 10

The Meeting is expected to close on 17 September 1997.