The Tenth Meeting of the Parties decides:

Decision X/8. New substances with ozone-depleting potential

Recalling that, under the Montreal Protocol, each Party has undertaken to control the global emissions of ozone-depleting substances with the ultimate objective of their elimination,

Recalling that decision IX/24 requested Parties to discourage the development and promotion of substances with a significant potential to deplete the ozone layer and provides a procedure for notifying such substances to the Secretariat and their evaluation by the Science Assessment Panel and the Technology and Economic Assessment Panel,

1. That all Parties should take measures actively to discourage the production and marketing of bromochloromethane;

2. To encourage Parties, in the light of reports from the Scientific Assessment Panel and the
Technology and Economic Assessment Panel, to take measures actively, as appropriate, to
discourage the production and marketing of new ozone-depleting substances with significant ozone-
deeplving potential;

3. That should new substances be developed and marketed which, following application of decision
IX/24, are agreed by the Parties to pose a significant threat to the ozone layer, the Parties will take
appropriate steps under the Protocol to ensure their control and phase-out;

4. That Parties should report to the Secretariat, as far as possible by 31 December 1999, and as
necessary thereafter, on any new ozone-depleting substances notified and evaluated under the
terms of decision IX/24 being produced or sold in their territories, including the nature of the
substances, the quantities involved, the purposes for which these substances are being marketed or
used and, if possible, the names of the producers and distributors;

5. To request the Technology and Economic Assessment Panel and the Science Assessment Panel,
taking into account, as appropriate, assessments carried out under decision IX/24, to collaborate in
undertaking further assessments:

(a) To determine whether substances such as n-propyl bromide, with a very short atmospheric
life-time of less than one month, pose a threat to the ozone layer;

(b) To identify the sources and availability of halon-1202;

and to report back to the Meeting of the Parties as soon as possible, but not later than the Twelfth
Meeting of the Parties; 1

6. To request the Legal Drafting Group to consider and report back to the Eleventh Meeting of the
Parties through the Open-ended Working Group on the options available under the Montreal
Protocol to introduce controls on new ozone-depleting substances;

Decision X/28. Proposal to study a fixed currency exchange rate
mechanism for the replenishment of the
Multilateral Fund

Noting that some donor countries make payments to the Multilateral Fund in their national
currencies, and that minor discrepancies often arise from the different exchange rates used to issue
and encash their payments,
Further noting that some financial procedures have been utilized by other multilateral funding mechanisms to simplify the administration of these contributions and limit these discrepancies,

1. To request the Treasurer of the Multilateral Fund to prepare, in consultation with relevant institutions and Parties and in time for the nineteenth meeting of the Open-ended Working Group, a discussion paper which describes how a mechanism using fixed currency exchange rates could be implemented for the replenishment of the Multilateral Fund for the triennium 2000-2002. The paper should examine the administrative framework, the potential impact and any risks for the operation of the Fund that are associated with the adoption of such a mechanism. The paper should also include criteria for determining if a particular currency’s fluctuations had been of such a magnitude that a fixed exchange rate mechanism would not be practical, in which case that country would continue to make its commitments and payments in United States dollars;

2. To request the Treasurer of the Multilateral Fund to monitor exchange rates of donor country currencies, including the euro, between 1 March 1999 and 30 September 1999, and to submit in time for the Eleventh Meeting of the Parties a table showing the average exchange rate for each donor country currency with the United States dollar and Special Drawing Rights (SDRs) for this period.