

Submission from Uganda

Extract from a communication dated 31 July 2008

Please find attached the sample copies of Press Release / Advert relating to registration of ODS importers and dealers – for your record and reference. These adverts/press release are for purposes of enhancing our efforts to strengthen the mechanism for monitoring and control of trade in/consumption of ODSs in Uganda. This will be done in collaboration with the Customs Department and other relevant regulating agencies of Government.

The samples attached show that we have attempted to spread the message throughout the major regions of Uganda (that is, country-wide) through use of print media – in the four major ethnic languages (catering for 52 tribes/dialects) of Uganda, in addition to the English language edition (as English is the official language for the country). Besides the above, the same advert/press release was also published in one of the Newspapers, namely, “Business Week” that has regional coverage – circulates in the East Africa Region (Kenya, Uganda, Tanzania, Rwanda).

The purpose of this, therefore, is to show proof and let you know that every effort (all amidst a lot of challenges) is being made to comply with the decisions derived from the various past Meetings of the Parties and Montreal Protocol, respectively. The press release serves the purposes of awareness-raising for the public on matters pertaining to the proposed accelerated phase-out of HCFCs and allowable annual ODS import quotas for use by/guide the ODS importers and dealers in Uganda.