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THE OZONE LAYER
Geneva, 15-18 June 1999

ISSUES BEFORE THE OPEN-ENDED WORKING GROUP
AT ITS NINETEENTH MEETING

Addendum

CONSIDERATION OF THE REPORT OF THE SECRETARIAT ON THE CUSTOMS CODES
OF THE HARMONIZED SYSTEM: UPDATED INFORMATION

Note by the Secretariat

1. The purpose of the present note is to update the information on the development of additional Harmonized System customs codes for ozone-depleting substances provided in the original note by the Secretariat on issues before the Working Group at its nineteenth meeting (UNEP/OzL.Pro/WG.1/19/2, paras. 17-20 and annex I).

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2. Following the intervention of the Ozone Secretariat at the meeting of the Harmonized System Committee of the World Customs Organization, held in Brussels in May 1999, the secretariat of the Harmonized System Convention has prepared a revised (June 1999) text of the draft recommendation on the insertion in national statistical nomenclatures of subheadings to facilitate the collection and comparison of data on the international movement of substances controlled by virtue of amendments to the Montreal Protocol on Substances that Deplete the Ozone Layer. A summary of the revised text is annexed hereto. It should be emphasized that the Canadian delegation to the Harmonized System Convention meeting intervened on the issue of new customs codes for ODS, and its proposal is also included in the revised draft recommendation.

3. The revised text includes new separate subheadings for methyl bromide, substances containing methyl bromide, mixtures containing methyl bromide and mixtures containing carbon tetrachloride. The revised text also includes alternative descriptions for subheadings 3813.00 and 3824.90 related to mixtures of ODS.

Annex

SUMMARY OF DRAFT RECOMMENDATION OF THE CUSTOMS COOPERATION COUNCIL
WORLD CUSTOMS ORGANIZATION, BRUSSELS, JUNE 1999

(a) Subheading 2903.19 of the Harmonized System

1,1,1 - Trichloroethane (methyl chloroform)

[(a) **Subheading 2903.30 of the Harmonized System**

Methyl bromide]

(Note: New subdivision proposed by UNEP)

(b) Subheading 2903.45 of the Harmonized System

Chlorotrifluoromethane (CFC-13)
Pentachlorofluoroethane (CFC-111)
Tetrachlorodifluoroethane (CFC-112)
Heptachlorofluoropropanes (CFC-211)
Hexachlorodifluoropropanes (CFC-212)
Pentachlorotrifluoropropanes (CFC-213)
Tetrachlorotetrafluoropropanes (CFC-214)
Trichloropentafluoropropanes (CFC-215)
Dichlorohexafluoropropanes (CFC-216)
Chloroheptafluoropropanes (CFC-217)

(c) Subheading 2903.49 of the Harmonized System

Chlorodifluoromethane (HCFC-22)
Dichlorotrifluoroethanes (HCFC-123)
Chlorotetrafluoroethanes (HCFC-124)
Dichlorofluoroethanes (HCFC-141 and 141b)
Chlorodifluoroethanes (HCFC-142 and 142b)
Dichloropentafluoropropanes (HCFC-225, 225ca and 225cb)
Other derivatives of methane, ethane or propane halogenated only with fluorine and chlorine (HCFC-21, 31 and 133)
Derivatives of methane, ethane or propane halogenated only with fluorine and bromine (HBFCs, Annex C, Group II substances)

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[(c) **Subheading 3808.10 of the Harmonized System**

Containing methyl bromide]

(Note: New subdivision proposed by Canada)

(d) Subheading 3813.00 of the Harmonized System

[Preparations and charges for fire-extinguishers containing chlorotetrafluoroethane (HCFC-124), dichlorotrifluoroethane (HCFC-123) or chlorodifluoromethane (HCFC-22)]

[**Preparations and charges for fire-extinguishers containing carbon tetrachloride or derivatives of methane, ethane, or propane, halogenated only with fluorine, chlorine or bromine]**

(Note: Alternative text proposed by UNEP)

(e) Subheading 3824.90 of the Harmonized System

[Mixture containing chlorotetrafluoroethane (HCFC-124), chlorodifluoroethane (HCFC-142 and 142b) or chlorodifluoromethane (HCFC-22)

[**Other mixtures containing derivatives of methane, ethane or propane, halogenated only with fluorine, chlorine or bromine]**

(Note: Alternative text proposed by UNEP)

Mixtures containing methyl bromide

[**Mixtures containing 1,1,1-Trichloroethane**

Mixtures containing carbon tetrachloride]

(Note: New subdivisions proposed by UNEP)
