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EIGHTH MEETING OF THE PARTIES  
TO THE MONTREAL PROTOCOL ON  
SUBSTANCES THAT DEplete THE  
OZONE LAYER  
San José, 25-27 November 1996

PROVISIONAL AGENDA

1. Opening of the meeting:
  - (a) Statement by the representative of the Government of Costa Rica;
  - (b) Statement by the Executive Director of the United Nations Environment Programme (UNEP);
  - (c) Statement by the President of the Seventh 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 the heads of delegations.

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4. Consideration of the recommendations of the Preparatory Meeting and decisions on replenishment of the Multilateral Fund for the Implementation of the Montreal Protocol, actions to improve the Financial Mechanism, report of the Executive Committee on technology transfer, essential-use nomination for ozone-depleting substances, control of trade in methyl bromide, critical agricultural uses of methyl bromide, proposed budgets for the Montreal Protocol Trust Fund, terms of reference for the Technology and Economic Assessment Panel, illegal trade in ozone-depleting substances and other issues.
5. Consideration of the report of the Implementation Committee under the Non-Compliance Procedure for the Montreal Protocol.
6. Consideration of the report of the Chair of the Executive Committee of the Multilateral Fund for the Implementation of the Montreal Protocol.
7. Date and venue of the Ninth 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, 25 November 1996, at Hotel Herradura, Resort and Conference Center, San José. The registration of participants will start at 9 a.m.

The Meeting will be preceded by a Preparatory Meeting, held at the same venue from 19 to 22 November. That meeting will start at 10 a.m. on 19 November, with registration of participants beginning at 9 a.m.

##### Item 2 (a)

Rule 21, paragraph 1, of the rules of procedure for the

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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 Western European and Others Group presided over the Seventh Meeting of the Parties, while a Party from the Latin American and the Caribbean 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 African Group may be elected to preside over the Eighth Meeting, and a Party from the Western European and Others Group elected as Rapporteur, unless the Meeting decides otherwise. Three Vice-Presidents may be elected from the Asian, Eastern European and Latin American and Caribbean groups.

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 to 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

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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 3

The recommendations of the Preparatory Meeting will contain draft decisions on replenishment of the Multilateral Fund for the Implementation of the Montreal Protocol, essential-use nominations for ozone-depleting substances, control of trade in methyl bromide, critical agricultural uses of methyl bromide, the revised 1997 and proposed 1998 budgets for the Montreal Protocol Trust Fund, terms of reference for the Technology and Economic Assessment Panel, illegal trade in ozone-depleting substances, and other issues.

Item 4

The report of the Implementation Committee under the Non-Compliance Procedure for the Montreal Protocol will be communicated to the Parties as document UNEP/OzL.Pro/ImpCom/14/4.

Item 5

The report of the Chair of the Executive Committee is contained in document UNEP/OzL.Pro.8/6.

Item 6

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

Item 7

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

Item 8

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

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Item 9

The Meeting is expected to close on 27 November 1996.

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