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Note by the Secretariat

The Secretariat has received a draft decision (annexed to the present note) submitted by Australia and Norway on the level of the contributions to the Multilateral Fund to be made by Australia and New Zealand in 2021, for consideration and possible adoption by the Fourth Extraordinary Meeting of the Parties. The draft decision is being shared as received, without formal editing by the Secretariat.

* UNEP/OzL.Pro.ExMOP.4/1.

Annex

Contributions in 2021 to the Multilateral Fund for the Implementation of the Montreal Protocol for the triennium 2021–2023

Submission by Australia and Norway

The [XX] Meeting of the Parties decides:

Taking into account the current exceptional circumstances related to the coronavirus disease (COVID 19) pandemic, and without setting a precedent,

Recalling Decision XXXII/I on the interim budget for the Multilateral Fund for the Implementation of the Montreal Protocol for the triennium 2021-2023,

Noting that the next Meeting of Parties will take a decision on the replenishment of the Multilateral Fund to adopt a final budget for the triennium 2021-2023, including regular contributions by parties and potential extension of the fixed-exchange-rate mechanism,

Recognizing that *contributions* to the Multilateral Fund in 2021 before a final budget decision for the 2021-2023 triennium has been taken by the Meeting of Parties would help ensure the continued functioning of the Multilateral Fund during 2021,

Recognizing also that some parties have advised that under their national budgeting processes, contributing to the Multilateral Fund in 2021 requires a decision by a Meeting of Parties which states the level of this contribution,

Noting that any contributions made by parties, in advance of a decision on the final budget for the Multilateral Fund for the 2021-2023 triennium and of a decision on the potential extension of the fixed-exchange-rate mechanism, would count towards the level of contributions to be decided for the 2021-2023 triennium,

1. To adopt the level of contributions for the parties listed in Table A for 2021 on an interim basis in advance of a decision from the Meeting of the Parties on the final budget for the Multilateral Fund for the triennium 2021-2023;

2. That any contributions by parties made in advance of a decision on the final budget for the Multilateral Fund for the triennium 2021–2023 shall be without prejudice to the overall level of the replenishment or to the agreed level of contributions by parties;

Table A

<i>Party</i>	<i>Amount in national currency*</i>
Australia	AUD 7 833 905
New Zealand	NZD 957 172
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* based on the amounts set out in Annex III of the Report of the combined eleventh meeting of the Conference of the Parties to the Vienna Convention and the Twenty-Ninth meeting of the Parties to the Montreal Protocol.