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**Eighth meeting of the Conference of the Parties to the
Vienna Convention for the Protection of the Ozone Layer**

**Twentieth Meeting of the Parties to the
Montreal Protocol on Substances that Deplete
the Ozone Layer**

Doha, 16–20 November 2008

**Annotated provisional agenda of the eighth meeting of the
Conference of the Parties to the Vienna Convention and the
Twentieth Meeting of the Parties to the Montreal Protocol**

A. Preparatory segment (16–18 November 2008)

1. Opening of the preparatory segment

1. The preparatory segment of the combined eighth meeting of the Conference of the Parties to the Vienna Convention and the Twentieth Meeting of the Parties to the Montreal Protocol will be opened by the co-chairs of the Open-ended Working Group on 16 November at 10 a.m. at the Sheraton Doha Resort and Convention Hotel in Doha, Qatar. Registration of participants will begin at 8 a.m. on the same day. Participants are encouraged to register well in advance of the meeting through the Ozone Secretariat's website (<http://ozone.unep.org/>). Under this agenda item, statements will be made by representatives of the Government of Qatar and the United Nations Environment Programme.

2. Organizational matters

(a) Adoption of the agenda of the preparatory segment

2. The provisional agenda set forth in document UNEP/OzL.Conv.8/1-UNEP/OzL.Pro.20/1 will be before the Parties for adoption.

(b) Organization of work

3. Mr. Mikkel Sorensen (Denmark) and Ms. Judy Francis Beaumont (South Africa) will co-chair the preparatory segment according to decision XIX/4 of the Nineteenth Meeting of the Parties. The Parties may wish to conduct their work during the segment in plenary session and draw up a specific timetable for the work on the agenda.

3. Consideration of Vienna Convention and combined Vienna Convention and Montreal Protocol issues

(a) Presentation of and discussion on the report of the seventh meeting of the Ozone Research Managers of the Parties to the Vienna Convention

4. The Parties will review the work and recommendations emanating from the seventh meeting of the Ozone Research Managers of the Parties to the Vienna Convention, held in Geneva from 18 to 21 May 2008. Further information can be found in document UNEP/OzL.Conv.8/6. The Parties may wish to make recommendations on this item for consideration during the high-level segment.

(b) Status of the General Trust Fund for Financing Activities on Research and Systematic Observations Relevant to the Vienna Convention

5. The Parties are expected to review the status of the extrabudgetary fund for receiving voluntary contributions for the purpose of financing certain activities on research and systematic observations relevant to the Vienna Convention in developing countries and countries with economies in transition. The Parties may wish to make recommendations on this item for consideration during the high-level segment.

(c) Financial reports and budgets of the trust funds for the Vienna Convention and the Montreal Protocol

6. Under this agenda item it is expected that the Parties will establish a budget committee to deliberate and recommend action on the Secretariat's budgets for the Vienna Convention and the Montreal Protocol, as contained in documents UNEP/OzL.Conv.8/4 and UNEP/OzL.Pro.20/4, respectively. The Secretariat has traditionally had separate budgets for the two agreements, with some shared budget lines. In accordance with the rules of procedure the Montreal Protocol budget is considered every year at the annual ordinary meetings of the Parties to the Protocol. The Vienna Convention budget is considered at the ordinary meetings of the Conference of the Parties to the Convention, which under decision II/8 take place every three years.

(d) Status of ratification of the Vienna Convention, the Montreal Protocol and the amendments to the Montreal Protocol

7. The Parties are expected to review the status of ratification of the Convention and the Protocol and its amendments. A draft decision to record the status of ratification at the time of the meeting has been prepared for consideration by the Parties and may be found as draft placeholder decisions VIII/AA and XX/AA in chapter II of document UNEP/OzL.Conv.8/3-UNEP/OzL.Pro.20/3.

4. Discussion of Montreal Protocol-related issues

(a) Replenishment of the Multilateral Fund for the Implementation of the Montreal Protocol

(i) Presentation and consideration of the supplemental report of the Technology and Economic Assessment Panel Replenishment Task Force

(ii) Proposal on extension of the fixed-exchange-rate mechanism

8. At the twenty-eighth meeting of the Open-ended Working Group of the Parties to the Montreal Protocol, the Parties considered the initial report of the Technology and Economic Assessment Panel on the replenishment of the Multilateral Fund for the Implementation of the Montreal Protocol and agreed to request the Panel's Replenishment Task Force to prepare additional analysis for the Parties to consider in further deliberating on the issue. The Parties also requested the Secretariat to prepare alternative proposals for extending the fixed-exchange-rate mechanism applicable to Party contributions to the Multilateral Fund in accordance with decisions XI/6, XIV/40 and XVII/41. Under this agenda item, the Parties are expected to hear and discuss a presentation by the Replenishment Task Force and to work to achieve consensus on the replenishment of the Multilateral Fund and the application of the fixed-exchange-rate mechanism to contributions thereto. Both proposals are included under draft decision G of chapter I of document UNEP/OzL.Conv.8/3-UNEP/OzL.Pro.20/3.

(b) Environmentally sound disposal of ozone-depleting substances (proposals by Argentina, the European Community, the Federated States of Micronesia and Mauritius)

9. At the twenty-eighth meeting of the Open-ended Working Group the Parties heard a presentation on a report on case studies on the destruction of ozone-depleting substances that had been commissioned by the Executive Committee of the Multilateral Fund pursuant to decision XVIII/9. The Open-ended Working Group also considered and agreed to forward to the Meeting of the Parties three proposals from Parties on the issue of destruction, which are contained as draft decisions A, C and E in chapter I of document UNEP/OzL.Conv.8/3-UNEP/OzL.Pro.20/3, together with a summary report and proposal from the co-chairs of the destruction contact group that met during the Working Group's twenty-eighth meeting, which is contained in section B of chapter III of the same document. The Parties may wish to make recommendations on this item for consideration during the high-level segment.

(c) Issues related to essential uses

(i) Use of CFC-113 in the aerospace industry in the Russian Federation

10. At the twenty-eighth meeting of the Open-ended Working Group it was agreed that consideration of the essential-use nomination by the Russian Federation for aerospace purposes would be suspended until further information was available. The Technology and Economic Assessment Panel will be making a site visit to the country to discuss the matter further before the Twentieth Meeting of the Parties.

(ii) Nominations for 2009 and 2010 for essential-use exemptions

11. At the twenty-eighth meeting of the Open-ended Working Group the Parties heard a presentation from the Technology and Economic Assessment Panel on its initial review of the nominations put forward by Parties for essential-use exemptions for 2009 and 2010.

(iii) Essential uses and campaign production of CFCs for metered-dose inhalers

12. At its twenty-eighth meeting the Open-ended Working Group heard a report from the Technology and Economic Assessment Panel on the possibility of producing one final quantity of chlorofluorocarbons (CFCs) that would be sufficient for the manufacture of such CFC-based metered-dose inhalers as would be required to complete the global transition to CFC-free inhalers. The Parties may wish to make recommendations on this item for consideration during the high-level segment.

(d) Consideration of methyl bromide-related issues

(i) Nominations for 2009 and 2010 for critical-use exemptions

13. In accordance with the procedures agreed on at the Second Extraordinary Meeting of the Parties to the Montreal Protocol the Methyl Bromide Technical Options Committee will deliberate for a second time to consider all available information and prepare its final recommendations on the nominations for critical-use exemptions for methyl bromide that have been submitted for 2009 and 2010. Under this agenda item it is expected that the Committee will make a presentation on its final recommendations. The Parties may then wish to make recommendations on the item for consideration during the high-level segment.

(ii) Adjustment to the Montreal Protocol on allowances for production of methyl bromide to meet basic domestic needs of Parties operating under paragraph 1 of Article 5 (proposal by Kenya and Mauritius)

14. Consistent with paragraph 9 of Article 2 of the Montreal Protocol Kenya and Mauritius have circulated a proposal to adjust the Protocol's current methyl bromide basic domestic needs provision to limit allowable production of this substance after 2010. The proposal, which is reproduced as proposal F in chapter I of document UNEP/OzL.Conv.8/3-UNEP/OzL.Pro.20/3, was discussed at the twenty-eighth meeting of the Open-ended Working Group, at which it was agreed that it should be presented to the Twentieth Meeting of the Parties for further consideration.

(iii) Quarantine and pre-shipment uses of methyl bromide (proposal by the European Community)

15. At the twenty-eighth meeting of the Open-ended Working Group the European Community introduced a draft decision on quarantine and pre-shipment uses of methyl bromide, contained under proposal F in chapter I of document UNEP/OzL.Conv.8/3-UNEP/OzL.Pro.20/3, which the Working Group agreed should be presented for further consideration at the Twentieth Meeting of the Parties. The Parties may wish to make recommendations on this item for consideration during the high-level segment.

(e) Application of trade provisions to HCFCs (proposal by Australia)

16. At its twenty-eighth meeting the Open-ended Working Group discussed a proposal from Australia to amend decision XV/3 to conform to the 2007 Montreal adjustment to the Montreal Protocol on hydrochlorofluorocarbons (HCFCs), which is contained under draft decision B in chapter I of document UNEP/OzL.Conv.8/3-UNEP/OzL.Pro.20/3. The Parties may wish to make recommendations on this item for consideration during the high-level segment.

(f) Process agents

17. In paragraph 6 of decision XVII/6 the Parties to the Montreal Protocol agreed that the Technology and Economic Assessment Panel should review national nominations and make recommendations every other year on, among other things, process-agent uses of controlled substances that could be added to or removed from table A of decision X/14. The Parties may wish to make recommendations on this item for consideration during the high-level segment.

(g) Update reports by the Technology and Economic Assessment Panel

(i) Carbon tetrachloride emissions and opportunities for reduction (final report)

18. At its twenty-eighth meeting the Open-ended Working Group heard a report by the Technology and Economic Assessment Panel on carbon tetrachloride emissions and agreed that the issue should be further considered by the Twentieth Meeting of the Parties. The Parties may wish to make recommendations on this item for consideration during the high-level segment.

(ii) Regional imbalances in respect of halons

19. Pursuant to decision XIX/6 the Technology and Economic Assessment Panel prepared a report on potential regional imbalances in the remaining supply of halons, which was presented at the twenty-eighth meeting of the Open-ended Working Group. The Parties may wish to make recommendations on this item for consideration during the high-level segment.

(iii) Scoping study on alternatives to HCFCs for mines and very high temperature conditions

20. The Technology and Economic Assessment Panel is expected to give a presentation on this issue. The Parties may wish to make recommendations on this item for consideration during the high-level segment.

(h) Technology and Economic Assessment Panel administrative issues

21. Under this item, the Parties are expected to consider administrative issues related to the Technology and Economic Assessment Panel, including, if relevant, the endorsement of any proposals for new co-chairs of the Panel's technical options committees.

(i) Compliance and reporting issues considered by the Implementation Committee, including non-compliance with the Montreal Protocol that may be attributable to CFC consumption for production of metered dose inhalers in certain Parties operating under paragraph 1 of Article 5 (decision XVIII/16 paragraphs 3-5)

22. Under this item, the President of the Implementation Committee under the Non-Compliance Procedure for the Montreal Protocol will report on the issues considered at the Committee's fortieth and forty-first meetings, including those related to consumption of CFCs for the production of metered-dose inhalers, as requested by decision XVIII/16. The Parties may wish to make recommendations on this item for consideration during the high-level segment.

(j) Consideration of membership of Montreal Protocol bodies for 2009**(i) Members of the Implementation Committee**

23. The Twentieth Meeting of the Parties will consider the issue of membership of the Implementation Committee. In accordance with the non-compliance procedure adopted by the Parties the Implementation Committee is to consist of 10 Parties elected for two-year terms on the basis of equitable geographical representation. Outgoing Parties may be re-elected for one consecutive term. Draft decision XX/BB on this item is included in chapter II of document UNEP/OzL.Conv.8/3-UNEP/OzL.Pro.20/3.

(ii) Members of the Executive Committee of the Multilateral Fund

24. The Twentieth Meeting of the Parties will consider the issue of membership of the Executive Committee. In accordance with the terms of reference of the Executive Committee approved by the Fourth Meeting of the Parties, the Executive Committee consists of 14 members: seven from the group of Parties operating under paragraph 1 of Article 5 of the Montreal Protocol and seven from the group of Parties not so operating. Each group selects its Executive Committee members, who are then formally endorsed by the Meeting of the Parties. At the current meeting the group of Parties operating under paragraph 1 of Article 5 may wish to select a member of the Committee to serve as the Vice-Chair of the Committee for 2009 and the group of Parties not operating under paragraph 1 of Article 5 may wish to select a member of the Committee to serve as Chair for 2009. The Twentieth Meeting of the Parties may wish to endorse the selections of the new representatives and note the selection of the Chair and Vice-Chair of the Committee for 2009. Draft decision XX/CC on this item is included in chapter II of document UNEP/OzL.Conv.8/3-UNEP/OzL.Pro.20/3.

(iii) Co-Chairs of the Open-ended Working Group

25. In accordance with decision XIX/4 Mr. Mikkel Sorensen (Denmark) and Ms. Judy Francis Beaumont (South Africa) have served as co-chairs of the Open-ended Working Group of the Parties to the Montreal Protocol for 2008. The Twentieth Meeting of the Parties may wish to consider the question of who should serve as co-chairs of the Open-ended Working Group for 2009. Draft decision XX/DD on this item is included in chapter II of document UNEP/OzL.Conv.8/3-UNEP/OzL.Pro.20/3.

5. Other matters

26. The Parties may wish to discuss such other matters as have been identified and agreed for consideration.

B. High-level segment (19 and 20 November 2008)**1. Opening of the high-level segment**

27. The high-level segment of the combined eighth meeting of the Conference of the Parties to the Vienna Convention and the Twentieth Meeting of the Parties to the Montreal Protocol is scheduled to be opened on 19 November at 10 a.m. at the Sheraton Doha Resort and Convention Hotel.

(a) Welcome by the Government of Qatar**(b) Statement by representatives of the United Nations Environment Programme****(c) Statement by a representative of the World Meteorological Organization****(d) Statement by the President of the seventh meeting of the Conference of the Parties to the Vienna Convention****(e) Statement by the President of the Nineteenth Meeting of the Parties to the Montreal Protocol**

28. Under these agenda items, statements will be made by representatives of the Government of Qatar, the United Nations Environment Programme, the President of the seventh meeting of the Conference of the Parties to the Vienna Convention and the President of the Nineteenth Meeting of the Parties to the Montreal Protocol.

2. Organizational matters

(a) Election of officers of the eighth meeting of Conference of the Parties to the Vienna Convention

29. Paragraph 1 of rule 21 of the rules of procedure of the Conference of the Parties to the Vienna Convention and the Meeting of the Parties to the Montreal Protocol states:

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 [Conference] of the Parties shall have due regard to the principle of equitable geographical representation [distribution]. The offices of the President and Rapporteur of the Meeting [Conference] 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 representative of a Party from the group of African States presided over the seventh meeting of the Conference of the Parties to the Vienna Convention while a representative of a Party from the group of Western European and other States 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 group of Asian and Pacific States may be elected to preside over the eighth meeting of the Conference of the Parties and a representative of a Party from the group of African States may be elected as Rapporteur, unless the Conference of the Parties decides otherwise. Three additional Vice-Presidents may also be elected, one from each of the group of Eastern European States, the group of Western European and other States and the group of Latin American and Caribbean States.

(b) Election of officers of the Twentieth Meeting of the Parties to the Montreal Protocol

30. In accordance with the rule of procedure cited in the preceding paragraph the Twentieth Meeting of the Parties must also elect a President, three Vice-Presidents and a Rapporteur. A representative of a Party from the group of Asian and Pacific States presided over the Nineteenth Meeting of the Parties to the Montreal Protocol, while a representative of a Party from the group of African States served as Rapporteur. On the same basis as described above, a Party from the group of Eastern European States may be elected to preside over the Twentieth Meeting and a Party from the group of Asian and Pacific States may be elected as Rapporteur, unless the Meeting decides otherwise. Three additional Vice-Presidents may also be elected, one from each of the group of African States, the group of Latin American and Caribbean States and the group of Western European and other States.

(c) Adoption of the agenda of the eighth meeting of the Conference of the Parties to the Vienna Convention and the Twentieth Meeting of the Parties to the Montreal Protocol

31. Under this agenda item the Parties may wish to adopt the agenda for the high-level segment, including any items that they may agree to include under item 8, "Other matters."

(d) Organization of work

32. The Parties may wish to conduct their work in plenary session and draw up a specific timetable for their work on the items on the agenda.

(e) Credentials of representatives

33. In accordance with rule 18 of the rules of procedure for meetings of the Conference of the Parties to the Vienna Convention and the Meeting of the Parties to the Montreal Protocol, the credentials of representatives must be submitted to the Executive Secretary of the meeting, if possible not later than 24 hours after the opening of the Meeting. Under this agenda item, and in accordance with rule 19 of the rules of procedure, the officers of the meeting must examine the credentials and submit their report thereon to the Parties.

3. Presentations by the assessment panels on the status of their work, including latest developments

34. Under this agenda item, the assessment panels will make a brief presentation on their work and any key information relevant to the Vienna Convention and the Montreal Protocol.

4. Presentation by the Chair of the Executive Committee of the Multilateral Fund for the Implementation of the Montreal Protocol on the work of the Executive Committee

35. The Chair of the Executive Committee of the Multilateral Fund for the Implementation of the Montreal Protocol will present the report of the Executive Committee to the Parties, as circulated in document UNEP/OzL.Pro.20/7.

5. Statements by heads of delegations

36. Heads of delegations of the Parties will be invited to make statements.

6. Report of the co-chairs of the preparatory segment and consideration of the decisions recommended for adoption at the eighth meeting of the Conference of the Parties to the Vienna Convention and the Twentieth Meeting of the Parties to the Montreal Protocol

37. Under this agenda item the co-chairs of the preparatory segment will be invited to report to the Parties on the progress that has been made in reaching consensus on the substantive issues on the agenda.

7. Dates and venues for the ninth meeting of the Conference of the Parties to the Vienna Convention and the Twenty-First Meeting of the Parties to the Montreal Protocol

38. The Parties will be informed of any information regarding the potential venue for the Twenty-First Meeting of the Parties to the Montreal Protocol and the ninth meeting of the Conference of the Parties to the Vienna Convention. The rules of procedure governing the meetings of the Conference of the Parties and the Meeting of the Parties provide that the Meeting of the Parties shall meet every year, that the Conference of the Parties shall meet once every two years and that in those years when the Conference meets it shall do so in conjunction with the Meeting of the Parties. By decision II/8, however, the Conference of the Parties to the Vienna Convention decided that it would meet every third year rather than every other year. Since then, every third Meeting of the Parties to the Montreal Protocol has accordingly been held jointly with a meeting of the Conference of the Parties to the Vienna Convention. In accordance with that practice the ninth meeting of the Conference of the Parties to the Vienna Convention will be held jointly with the Twenty-Third Meeting of the Parties to the Protocol in 2011.

8. Other matters

39. Any additional substantive issues agreed for inclusion on the agenda under item 2 (c), "Adoption of the agenda", will be taken up under this agenda item.

9. Adoption of decisions by the Conference of the Parties to the Vienna Convention

40. Under this agenda item the Parties to the Vienna Convention assembled in Doha will adopt the Vienna Convention-related decisions to be taken at the current meeting.

10. Adoption of decisions by the Twentieth Meeting of the Parties to the Montreal Protocol

41. Under this agenda item the Parties to the Montreal Protocol assembled in Doha will adopt the Montreal Protocol-related decisions to be taken at the current meeting.

11. Adoption of the report of the eighth meeting of the Conference of the Parties to the Vienna Convention and the Twentieth Meeting of the Parties to the Montreal Protocol

42. Under this agenda item the Parties to the Montreal Protocol and the Vienna Convention will adopt the report of the combined eighth meeting of the Conference of the Parties to the Vienna Convention and the Twentieth Meeting of the Parties to the Montreal Protocol.

12. Closure of the meeting

43. The combined eighth meeting of the Conference of the Parties to the Vienna Convention and the Twentieth Meeting of the Parties to the Montreal Protocol is expected to close by 6 p.m. on Friday, 20 November 2008.