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**Workshop on methyl bromide use for
quarantine and pre-shipment purposes**
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Provisional programme

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| 10–10.10 a.m. | Opening of the meeting <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Introduction by the Executive Secretary, Ozone Secretariat (10 mins) |
| 10.10–10.45 a.m. | Scientific background <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Impact of bromine and quarantine and pre-shipment emissions on the ozone layer (25 mins) [<i>Scientific Assessment Panel: Mr. Steve Montzka</i>]• Questions and answers (10 mins) |
| 10.45 a.m.–1 p.m. | Background information and presentation of the Quarantine and Pre-shipment Task Force final report <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Quarantine and pre-shipment: global production, consumption, regional trends and categories of use (15 mins) [<i>Quarantine and Pre-shipment Task Force: Ms. Marta Pizano</i>]• International Plant Protection Convention principles and standards affecting methyl bromide use and importance of quarantine (20 mins) [<i>International Plant Protection Convention: Mr. Mohammad Katbeh Bader</i>]• Regulations and measures affecting quarantine and pre-shipment methyl bromide use (15 mins) [<i>Quarantine and Pre-shipment Task Force: Mr. Ian Porter</i>]• Status of alternatives for quarantine and pre-shipment (20 mins) [<i>Quarantine and Pre-shipment Task Force: Mr. Tom Batchelor – alternatives for perishables; Mr. Takashi Misumi – alternatives for wood and wood packaging materials; Mr. Jonathan Banks – alternatives for grains and durables</i>]• Barriers to adoption of alternatives and quarantine and pre-shipment uses without alternatives (10 mins) [<i>Quarantine and Pre-shipment Task Force: Mr. Ken Vick</i>] |

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- Recovery and emission control technologies (10 mins) [*Quarantine and Pre-Shipment Task Force: Mr. Jonathan Banks*]
- Information gaps and a proposal to gather lacking information (10 mins) [*Technology and Economic Assessment Panel Co-Chair: Mr. Lambert Kuijpers*]
- Discussion including questions and answers (35 mins)

1–3 p.m.

Lunch

- Exhibition: Quarantine and pre-shipment alternatives and emission reduction technologies

3–4.50 p.m.

Presentations by Parties: quarantine and pre-shipment situation and possible further actions

Indicative time for presentations is 10 minutes.

List of Parties invited to give presentations:

- United States of America: Quarantine and pre-shipment use, alternatives and emission control
- European Community: Quarantine and pre-shipment legislation, action taken in the European Community to date and further actions planned on quarantine and pre-shipment
- Thailand: Tracking and monitoring quarantine and pre-shipment uses of methyl bromide. Pre-shipment treatments and management of emissions
- Brazil: Alternatives to methyl bromide for quarantine and pre-shipment after 2015 (when use of methyl bromide for quarantine and pre-shipment will be stopped in Brazil)
- Canada: Monitoring quarantine and pre-shipment uses of methyl bromide. Complying with International Standard for Phytosanitary Measures No. 15 without methyl bromide
- Japan: Reducing quarantine and pre-shipment uses of methyl bromide. Alternatives adopted and current research
- China: Alternatives to methyl bromide for quarantine and pre-shipment uses and use of recapture systems
- New Zealand: Quarantine and pre-shipment strategy and future prospects
- Egypt: Quarantine and pre-shipment uses, monitoring and actions regarding quarantine and pre-shipment
- Mauritius: Quarantine and pre-shipment and island nations
- Australia: Alternatives to quarantine and pre-shipment and methyl bromide emission control

4.50–5.50 p.m.

Opportunities for the Parties to consider: discussion

[*Facilitator: Technology and Economic Assessment Panel Co-Chair: Mr. Stephen Andersen*]

5.50–6 p.m.

Closure of the workshop

- Summary of the discussions by the co-chairs
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