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**MULTI-YEAR AGREEMENT DATABASE FOR HCFC PHASE-OUT MANAGEMENT PLANS
(DECISION 63/61(e))**

1.   This report provides information to the Executive Committee on the progress of development and use of the database for the annual reporting on multi-year agreements (MYAs). Decision 63/61(e) requests the Senior Monitoring and Evaluation Officer to inform the Executive Committee at the last meeting of each year on the status of update of the information contained in the database tables.

Background

2.   Through its decision 49/6 the Executive Committee requested that the Secretariat develops a reporting format for the tracking of accumulative progress achieved in the annual work programmes of phase-out plans. Decisions 50/9, 51/13 and 53/8 indicated the type of information needed and the way to follow in this process. The former Senior Monitoring and Evaluation Officer followed by a senior officer from the Secretariat supervised the creation of the database.

3.   At the 59th meeting the Secretariat presented a report on the progress made in the development of the database. Decision 59/7 of the Executive Committee acknowledged the progress and requested the Secretariat to: pursue the work to enable use of the MYA tables through the electronic database for HCFC phase-out management plans (HPMPs) to enable online submissions of MYA tables for new HPMPs starting April 2010 and subsequent tranches for HPMPs from September 2010; improve the usability of the software for the bilateral and implementing agencies as well as the Secretariat, through improvements in data entry, compatibility, assessments and output formats. The Executive Committee provided a budget of US $60,000 for the purchase and installation of hardware and software needed, noting in decision 59/52 that this amount should be deducted from the monitoring and evaluation budget.

4.   Following this, the HPMP database was created using the same concept as the MYA tables for the CFC data. It was enlarged to include more complex information and had been used for all HPMP submissions. In addition, the database provides the project evaluation sheets for new HPMPs.

5.   Various conceptual changes were adopted following decisions of the Executive Committee related to the requirements for HPMPs. This obviously led to a needed modification of the MYA tables. Because of the particularity of the HPMP process where technology choices and planning of implementation is fluent up to the approval of the HPMP, agencies are requested to provide detailed data only subsequent to the Executive Committee approving the HPMPs, reducing the agencies work load.

6.   Further technical work on the MYA tables was therefore carried out to adapt the database to the repeated changes in the HPMPs. Recently a new function has been added that concerns the possibility to download the planning and reporting tables (overall plan, overall report, annual plan, and annual report) as MS-Excel table. This functionality is available for all users with access to the HPMP database. It is important to note that the database also allows entry errors to be corrected. After the users click the submit button, a page appears indicating inconsistencies and gaps in the provided data and allows corrections and explanations.

7.   Following completion of the technical work, guidelines for the use of agencies have been provided and attached to the database. Those include instructions for entering data related to the submission of a new HPMP, post-approval data entry, and a tranche request for HPMP. It includes definitions of various database concepts as well as a map for the database.

8.   The Secretariat staff received training on the specifics, uses, responsibilities and rules of access to the database.

9.   Annex I reflects the information entered into the database by country and by agency. It consists of three categories of information:

(a)   Category I: countries for which data on plans and activities have been submitted. Among these we can differentiate:

    (i)   Countries for which <u>all data</u> were submitted:

        a.   Countries for which data for all years were submitted, except for 2013;

        b.   Countries with data errors in filling out the table;

(b)   Category II: countries where a basic set-up was undertaken, but no data about planned activities included; and

(c)   Category III: countries with no data entered into the MYA tables.

10.   Table 1 below shows the differentiation among the three categories.

Table 1

NUMBER OF COUNTRIES BY CATEGORY

Category	I	II	III	Total
Number of countries	80	44	19	143
Percentage	56	31	13	100

11.   For more than half of the countries, agencies have entered data with the characteristic indicated under Category I of Annex I. For about a third of the countries, there are limited amounts of information, and for 13 per cent the database has not yet been used.

12.   Table 2 below shows submissions by agency. UNEP has the highest number of countries for which it is lead agency (48 per cent) followed by UNIDO (23 per cent) and UNDP (20 per cent) for all categories.

Table 2

DATA SUBMITTED BY AGENCY AND CATEGORY

Agency	I	II	III	Total	Percentage
UNDP	18	9	2	29	20
UNEP	36	24	8	68	48
UNIDO	17	10	6	33	23
World Bank (IBRD)	1	0	2	3	2
Germany	8	1	1	10	7
Total	**80**	**44**	**19**	**143**	**100**

13.   This first overview on the data available in the database gives a perception of the use of the MYA tables. For most of the HPMPs the agencies have entered data. In some cases there have been errors in filling the tables, lack of annual plans, or omission of activities included in the project. In one case the annual plan had been entered twice. The database allows therefore having an overview of the major elements of the project, what information is missing or has been wrongfully entered. In time it will be possible to follow the trend of utilization of this instrument and, if necessary, to improve it.

14.   It is worth reminding that entering data into the database is mandatory. Decision 63/61(d) clearly requests agencies "to update the entries in the MYA database shortly after the approval of an HPMP to reflect the approved and planned activities for the whole HPMP and the relevant annual implementation plans up to and including the year of the next tranche submission." While data has been entered for many countries, there is however a need to improve the quality of data and to update the MYA tables regularly.

15.   The Executive committee may wish to:

(a)   Take note of the report on the multi-year agreement database for HCFC phase-out management plans presented in document UNEP/OzL.Pro/ExCom/68/9; and

(b)   Request agencies to fill in the missing information and to update the MYA database no later than eight weeks prior to the 69th meeting of the Executive Committee.

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Annex I

DATA SUBMISSION BY CATEGORY OF DATA AND AGENCY

I. – Data about plans and activities have been submitted

	COUNTRY	AGENCY	REMARKS[*]
1	Afghanistan	UNEP	
2	Algeria	UNIDO	Errors filling out the table
3	Armenia	UNDP	
4	Belize	UNEP	
5	Benin	UNEP	Data for all years except 2013 submitted
6	Bhutan	UNEP	Data for all years except 2013 submitted
7	Brazil	UNDP	
8	Brunei Darussalam	UNEP	
9	Burkina Faso	UNEP	Data for all years except 2013 submitted
10	Cape Verde	UNEP	Data for all years except 2013 submitted
11	Central African Republic (the)	UNEP	Data for all years except 2013 submitted
12	Chad	UNEP	
13	Chile	UNDP	Information missing (2 years)
14	China	UNDP	
15	Colombia	UNDP	
16	Costa Rica	UNDP	Information missing (2 years)
17	Croatia	UNIDO	
18	Democratic Republic of the Congo (the)	UNEP	Data for all years except 2013 submitted
19	Djibouti	UNEP	Data for all years except 2013 submitted
20	Dominica	UNEP	
21	Egypt	UNIDO	
22	El Salvador	UNDP	Information missing (2 years)
23	Gabon	UNEP	Data for all years except 2013 submitted
24	Gambia (the)	UNEP	Information missing (2 years)
25	Georgia	UNDP	
26	Grenada	UNEP	Information missing
27	Guatemala	UNIDO	Data for all years except 2013 submitted
28	Guinea-Bissau	UNEP	Information missing (no annual plans)
29	Guyana	UNEP	
30	Honduras	UNIDO	Data for all years except 2013 submitted
31	Indonesia	UNDP	Data for all years except 2013 submitted
32	Iran (Islamic Republic of)	UNDP	
33	Iraq	UNEP	Information missing (2 years)
34	Jamaica	UNDP	Information missing (2 years)
35	Kenya	Germany	
36	Kuwait	UNEP	
37	Kyrgyzstan	UNDP	
38	Lao People's Democratic Republic (the)	UNEP	
39	Lesotho	Germany	
40	Liberia	Germany	
41	Madagascar	UNEP	Data for all years except 2013 submitted
42	Malawi	UNEP	Data for all years except 2013 submitted
43	Mali	UNEP	Data for all years except 2013 submitted
44	Mauritius	Germany	
45	Mexico	UNIDO	
46	Mongolia	UNEP	
47	Montenegro	UNIDO	Data for all years except 2013 submitted
48	Morocco	UNIDO	Information missing (2 years)
49	Namibia	Germany	
50	Nepal	UNEP	
51	Nicaragua	UNIDO	

	COUNTRY	AGENCY	REMARKS*
52	Niger (the)	UNIDO	Errors filling out the table
53	Nigeria	UNDP	Data for all years except 2013 submitted
54	Pakistan	UNIDO	Data for all years except 2013 submitted
55	Panama	UNDP	Data for all years except 2013 submitted
56	Papua New Guinea	Germany	Data for all years except 2013 submitted
57	Paraguay	UNEP	
58	Republic of Moldova (the)	UNDP	Information missing
59	Rwanda	UNEP	Data for all years except 2013 submitted
60	Saint Lucia	UNEP	Data for all years except 2013 submitted
61	Sao Tome and Principe	UNEP	Errors filling out the table (double annual plans)
62	Serbia	UNIDO	Data for all years except 2013 submitted
63	Seychelles	Germany	Data for all years except 2013 submitted
64	Sierra Leone	UNEP	Information missing (2 years)
65	Somalia	UNIDO	Information missing (no activities)
66	South Africa	UNIDO	Errors filling out the table (no activities)
67	Sri Lanka	UNDP	
68	Sudan (the)	UNIDO	
69	Swaziland	UNEP	Data for all years except 2013 submitted
70	The former Yugoslav Republic of Macedonia	UNIDO	Data for all years except 2013 submitted
71	Timor-Leste	UNEP	
72	Togo	UNEP	
73	Trinidad and Tobago	UNDP	Information missing (2 years)
74	Turkmenistan	UNIDO	Data for all years except 2013 submitted
75	United Republic of Tanzania (the)	UNEP	Data for all years except 2013 submitted
76	Uruguay	UNDP	
77	Vanuatu	UNEP	
78	Viet Nam	World Bank	
79	Zambia	UNEP	Data for all years except 2013 submitted
80	Zimbabwe	Germany	

Category I: no remarks mean that all data had been correctly entered.

II. – A basic set-up was undertaken, but no data about planned activities included

	COUNTRY	AGENCY
1	Albania	UNIDO
2	Angola	UNDP
3	Bahrain	UNEP
4	Bangladesh	UNDP
5	Bolivia (Plurinational State of)	Germany
6	Bosnia and Herzegovina	UNIDO
7	Burundi	UNEP
8	Cambodia	UNEP
9	Cameroon	UNIDO
10	Comoros (the)	UNEP
11	Congo (the)	UNEP
12	Cook Islands (the)	UNEP
13	Côte d'Ivoire	UNEP
14	Cuba	UNDP
15	Dominican Republic (the)	UNDP
16	Ecuador	UNIDO
17	Equatorial Guinea	UNEP
18	Eritrea	UNEP
19	Fiji	UNDP
20	Ghana	UNDP
21	Guinea	UNEP

	COUNTRY	AGENCY
22	India	UNDP
23	Jordan	UNIDO
24	Kiribati	UNEP
25	Lebanon	UNDP
26	Malaysia	UNDP
27	Maldives	UNEP
28	Marshall Islands (the)	UNEP
29	Micronesia (Federated States of)	UNEP
30	Mozambique	UNEP
31	Nauru	UNEP
32	Niue	UNEP
33	Oman	UNIDO
34	Palau	UNEP
35	Qatar	UNIDO
36	Saint Kitts and Nevis	UNIDO
37	Saint Vincent and the Grenadines	UNEP
38	Samoa	UNEP
39	Senegal	UNIDO
40	Solomon Islands	UNEP
41	Suriname	UNEP
42	Tonga	UNEP
43	Tuvalu	UNEP
44	Venezuela (Bolivarian Republic of)	UNIDO

III. – MYA tables with no data entries

	COUNTRY	AGENCY	REMARKS
1	Antigua and Barbuda	UNEP	HPMP approved
2	Argentina	UNDP	HPMP approved
3	Bahamas (the)	UNEP	HPMP approved
4	Barbados	UNEP	HPMP not submitted
5	Botswana	Germany	HPMP not submitted
6	Democratic People's Republic of Korea (the)	UNIDO	HPMP to be submitted to the 68th meeting
7	Haiti	UNEP	HPMP to be submitted to the 68th meeting
8	Libya	UNIDO	HPMP not submitted
9	Mauritania	UNEP	HPMP not submitted
10	Myanmar	UNEP	HPMP to be submitted to the 68th meeting
11	Peru	UNDP	HPMP to be submitted to the 68th meeting
12	Philippines (the)	World Bank	HPMP to be submitted to the 68th meeting
13	Saudi Arabia	UNIDO	HPMP to be submitted to the 68th meeting
14	Syrian Arab Republic	UNIDO	HPMP to be submitted to the 68th meeting
15	Thailand	World Bank	HPMP to be submitted to the 68th meeting
16	Tunisia	UNIDO	HPMP not submitted
17	Turkey	UNIDO	HPMP to be submitted to the 68th meeting
18	Uganda	UNEP	HPMP to be submitted to the 68th meeting
19	Yemen	UNEP	HPMP to be submitted to the 68th meeting

Note:

[1] Two countries in the database were omitted because they joined the European Union and therefore do not qualify as Article 5 countries: Romania and Slovenia.

[2] A new Member State of the United Nations, South Sudan, has not been added yet to the database.

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