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EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE OF THE MULTILATERAL FUND FOR THE IMPLEMENTATION OF THE MONTREAL PROTOCOL Seventy-seventh Meeting Montreal, 28 November - 2 December 2016

DATES AND VENUES OF THE $78^{\rm TH}, 79^{\rm TH}$ AND $80^{\rm TH}$ MEETINGS OF THE EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

1. At the 76th meeting in its discussion under agenda item 13¹, the Executive Committee had agreed to defer any decision on whether to continue with the regime of two meetings per year until its 77th meeting. Pending the outcome of the discussion under agenda items 10² and 11³ at the 77th meeting, this document provides the following options for dates and venues under three meetings a year scenario:

78th meeting

Option 1: 27 to 31 March 2017 - International Civil Aviation Organization (ICAO), Montreal, Canada

Option 2: 3 to 7 April 2017 - (ICAO), Montreal, Canada

79th meeting

2. Considering that the 39th meeting of the Open-ended Working Group (OEWG) and other meetings related to the Parties to the Montreal Protocol would take place at the Economic and Social Commission for Asia and the Pacific (ESCAP) in Bangkok, Thailand from 9 to 14 July 2017. The Executive Committee may wish to consider holding the 79th meeting at ESCAP in Bangkok⁴ back to back with the Montreal Protocol meetings from 2 to 7 July 2017.

¹ Review of the operation of the Executive Committee.

² Issues relevant to the Executive Committee arising from the Twenty-eight Meeting of the Parties to the Montreal Protocol.

³ Review of the operation of the Executive Committee (decision 76/55(b)).

⁴ For information, estimated cost differentials for having the 79th meeting in Bangkok instead of Montreal would involve travel costs for staff (US \$100,000) and additional logistic costs (US \$30,000).

Pre-session documents of the Executive Committee of the Multilateral Fund for the Implementation of the Montreal Protocol are without prejudice to any decision that the Executive Committee might take following issuance of the document.

80th meeting

3. At the 28th meeting of the parties to the Montreal Protocol (MOP 28) the Government of Canada offered to host MOP 29 in Montreal, Canada. Pending a final decision on the dates of MOP 29⁵, the following options could be considered for the 80th meeting:

Option 1: 13 to 17 November 2017 - The Plaza Centre Ville, Montreal, Canada

Option 2: 4 to 8 December 2017 - The Plaza Centre Ville, Montreal, Canada

Other environmental related meetings

- 4. The Executive Committee may wish to note the tentative dates for the following environment related meetings taking place in 2017, so far available on the respective websites:
 - Conference of the Parties to the Basel Convention, Rotterdam and Stockholm from 23 April to 5 May 2017 (no venue indicated);
 - 52nd meeting of the Global Environment Facility Council from 22 to 25 May 2017, Washington, D.C., United States of America;
 - United Nations Framework Convention on Climate Change (UNFCCC) from 8 to 18 May 2017 (first sessional period) (no venue indicated) and from 6 to 17 November 2017 (second sessional period) (no venue indicated); and
 - 3rd session of the United Nations Environment Assembly (UNEA-3) from 4 to 6 December 2017 in Nairobi, Kenya.

⁵ Dates presently under consideration for MOP 29 are from 20 to 24 November 2017 or from 11 to 15 December 2017.