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THE MULTILATERAL FUND FOR THE  
IMPLEMENTATION OF THE MONTREAL PROTOCOL  
Eighty-third Meeting  
Montreal, 27-31 May 2019

**BILATERAL COOPERATION**

1. This document provides an overview of requests from bilateral agencies, and whether these are eligible in light of the maximum level of bilateral cooperation available for 2019. It cross-references relevant meeting documents that include a discussion on the bilateral requests, and contains the recommendation on the year of assignment for bilateral cooperation.

**Overview**

2. Two projects for bilateral cooperation with a value of US \$650,400 have been submitted to the 83<sup>rd</sup> meeting as shown in Table 1.

**Table 1. Projects for bilateral cooperation submitted to the 83<sup>rd</sup> meeting**

Agency	Country	Project title	Funding requested (US\$)	Support costs (US\$)	Amount recommended (US\$)
Germany	China	HCFC phase-out management plan (stage II, third and fourth tranches) (refrigeration and air-conditioning servicing sector plan and enabling component)	500,000	60,000	(1)
<b>Subtotal</b>			<b>500,000</b>	<b>60,000</b>	
Japan	China	HCFC phase-out management plan (stage II, third tranche) (refrigeration and air-conditioning servicing sector plan and enabling component)	80,000	10,400	(1)
<b>Subtotal</b>			<b>80,000</b>	<b>10,400</b>	
<b>Total</b>			<b>580,000</b>	<b>70,400</b>	

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**Request from the Government of Germany**

3. The amount of US \$560,000 requested by the Government of Germany, together with the amount of US \$5,072,800 approved at the 81<sup>st</sup> and 82<sup>nd</sup> meetings, do not exceed the 20 per cent allowable for Germany 2018-2020 triennium allocation of US \$9,660,800.

**Request from the Government of Japan**

4. The amount of US \$90,400 requested by the Government of Japan does not exceed the 20 per cent allowable 2019 allocation of US \$4,879,033.

**General recommendation**

5. The Executive Committee may wish to request the Treasurer to offset the costs of the bilateral projects approved at the 83<sup>rd</sup> meeting as follows:

- (a) US \$XX (including agency fees) against the balance of Germany's bilateral contribution for 2018-2020; and
- (b) US \$XX (including agency fees) against the balance of Japan's bilateral contribution for 2019.

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