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Montreal, 19-23 March 2007

Addendum

**ISSUES RELATED TO THE FUND SECRETARIAT'S BUDGET FOR 2007
(FOLLOW-UP TO DECISION 50/45)**

This document is issued to include the response from the Executive Director on the issue of the appointment of the P5 position fully dedicated to provide treasury services to the Multilateral Fund, which was pending at the time document UNEP/OzL/Pro/ExCom/51/45 was issued and was received on 12 March 2007.

- **Add** the response from Mr. Achim Steiner, UNEP Executive Director to the Chairman of the Executive Committee, reproduced as an annex to this document.
- **Replace** paragraph 12 as follows:

Recommendations

12. The Executive Committee may wish to consider:
- a) Noting with appreciation the reply received from the UNEP Executive Director on the filling of the P5 post;
 - b) Releasing the US\$200,000 amount withheld at the 50th meeting;

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- c) Agreeing to the upgrade of the P4 post of the Administrative and Fund management officer to P5 with additional responsibilities to cover management of the Trust Fund, and to charge the difference in cost associated with the upgrade to the treasury fees being paid to UNEP;
- d) Revising the Secretariat's budget to reflect c) above and to include an estimated amount for a comprehensive independent assessment of the administrative costs required for the 2009-2011 triennium.



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5 March 2007

Dear Mr. Chemouny,

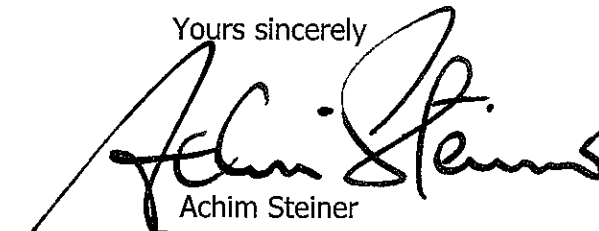
I would like to refer to your predecessor's letter dated 13 December 2006 in which he advised me of the adoption by the Executive Committee of decision 50/45 which addresses *inter alia* the approval of the fee for the provisions of treasury services by UNEP in 2007 and, in particular, the decision of the Executive Committee to withhold US\$ 200,000 from the approved 2007 treasury fee.

As I assured earlier, UNEP is fully committed to strengthen the treasury and administrative support services provided to the Multilateral Fund and I am pleased to inform you that we have had fruitful discussions with Ms. Nolan, Chief Officer, Multilateral Fund in this regard. As Treasurer of the Multilateral Fund, UNEP will continue to provide the agreed treasury functions with accountancy, backstopping and oversight functions carried out by UNEP in Nairobi.

In order to address the issue of the P5 Treasury function, I would like to propose that the position of Financial Management Officer (P4) with the Multilateral Fund in Montreal is upgraded to the P5 level with additional responsibilities including the financial management of the Trust Fund of the Multilateral Fund. I suggest we tentatively aim to advertise the post by 15 April 2007. I further suggest that the costs associated with the upgrade of the position be covered by a portion of the treasury fees paid to UNEP.

I trust that this proposal is agreeable to the Executive Committee and look forward to hearing from you in this regard.

Yours sincerely



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