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PROJECT PROPOSAL: REPUBLIC OF MOLDOVA

This document consists of the comments and recommendation of the Fund Secretariat on the following project proposal:

Phase-out

- Terminal CFC phase-out management plan (second tranche) UNEP and UNDP

PROJECT EVALUATION SHEET – MULTI-YEAR PROJECTS

Republic of Moldova

(I) PROJECT TITLE	AGENCY
CFC phase out plan	UNDP, UNEP

(II) LATEST ARTICLE 7 DATA (ODP Tonnes)				Year: 2007	
CFC: 9.2	CTC: 0	Halons: 0	MB: 0	TCA: 0	

(III) LATEST COUNTRY PROGRAMME SECTORAL DATA (ODP Tonnes)										Year: 2007			
Substances	Aerosol	Foam	Halon	Refrigeration		Solvent	Process Agent	MDI	Lab Use	Methyl Bromide		Tobacco fluffing	Total Sector Consumption
				Manufacturing	Servicing					QPS	Non QPS		
CFC					9.2								9.2
CTC													0
Halons													0
Methyl Bromide													0
TCA													0

(IV) PROJECT DATA			2007	2008	2009	2010	Total
Montreal Protocol Consumption Limits		CFC	11.	11.	11.	0.	
		CFC	11.	11.	11.	0.	
Maximum Allowable Consumption (ODP Tonnes)		CFC	11.	11.	11.	0.	
		CFC	11.	11.	11.	0.	
Project Costs (US\$)	UNDP	Project Costs	152,500.	152,500.			305,000.
		Support Costs	11,438.	11,438.			22,876.
	UNEP	Project Costs	74,500.	140,500.			215,000.
		Support Costs	9,685.	18,265.			27,950.
Total Funds Approved in Principle (US\$)		Project Costs	227,000.	293,000.			520,000.
		Support Costs	21,123.	29,703.			50,826.
Total Funds Released by the ExCom (US\$)		Project Costs	227,000.	0.			227,000.
		Support Costs	21,123.	0.			21,123.
Total Funds Requested for Current Year (US\$)		Project Costs		293,000.			293,000.
		Support Costs		29,703.			29,703.

(V) SECRETARIAT'S RECOMMENDATION:	For blanket approval
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PROJECT DESCRIPTION

1. On behalf of the Government of the Republic of Moldova, UNEP as leading agency and UNDP as co-operating agency have submitted to the 56th Meeting of the Executive Committee a request for the second and final tranche of the Terminal CFC phase-out management plan (TPMP), amounting to US \$152,000 for UNDP and US \$140,500 for UNEP with associated support costs of US \$11,438 and US \$18,265, respectively. The request is accompanied by a report on the implementation of the first tranche, and the annual implementation programme for the second tranche.

Background

2. The Executive Committee approved the TPMP for the Republic of Moldova at its 52nd Meeting with associated funding of US \$215,000 plus agency support costs of US \$27,950 for UNEP, and US \$305,000 plus agency support costs of US \$22,875 for UNDP. A first tranche of US \$227,000 was released at the 52nd Meeting, upon approval of the plan. The TPMP aimed at phasing out a total of 10.0 ODP tonnes of CFC consumption, to be supplemented by a reduction of 1.0 ODP tonnes from ongoing projects. An MDI transition strategy to be implemented by UNDP was subsequently approved by the Executive Committee at its 54th Meeting with approved funding of US \$30,000 plus agency support costs of US \$2,700. The MDI transition strategy has since been incorporated into the TPMP.

3. The country has reported under Article 7 to the Ozone Secretariat for 2007 a consumption of 9.2 ODP tonnes of CFC, which represents 84 per cent of the maximum allowable consumption under the Agreement for 2007.

Annual implementation report for the year 2007

4. Submitted account statements of UNEP and UNDP indicate expenditures so far of US \$156,537, of which US \$60,611 were obligated and are to be disbursed by end 2008. This amounts to 69 per cent of funds released of the first tranche and 30.1 per cent of the overall budget. Implementation of all components of the plan is ongoing. With respect to the training components, about 20 customs officers have received training, while training workshops for technicians in good refrigeration practices are expected to commence in October or November 2008, once the procurement process for the required equipment is completed. The review of ODS regulations is also underway, and so far regulations have been enacted on the taxation of ODS and ODS alternatives.

5. The component on providing incentives to end-users on retrofits/conversions is still at a preparatory stage, with the selection of consultants having been completed, and the procurement of required equipment and evaluation of potential end-user companies still underway. The MDI transition strategy is similarly in the early stages, with a consultant having been identified. The PMU has been established and is fully operational, having carried out monitoring and reporting activities, in addition to public awareness initiatives and work related to the preparation of the MDI transition strategy.

2009 implementation programme

6. The planned activities for 2009 are as follows:

- (a) Additional training of customs officers and continued updating of existing ODS legislation;
- (b) Continued work on training of refrigeration technicians in good working practices, strengthening of existing refrigeration association, updating of training materials, and updating of the Code of Practice;

- (c) Continued work on the end-user incentive programmes on retrofits and conversions to non-CFC substances;
- (d) Continued implementation of the MDI transition strategy; and
- (e) Implementation and monitoring of the above activities.

SECRETARIAT'S COMMENTS AND RECOMMENDATION

COMMENTS

7. The first tranche of the TPMP for the Republic of Moldova was approved 15 months before the submission deadline for this meeting, leaving little time to carry out start-up work and first steps of the implementation. Nevertheless, the project has already achieved greater progress than most in their first year of implementation. The reports regarding the activities are positive and suggest a well co-ordinated implementation management resulting in rapid commencement of activities, which is to continue into 2009. The consumption of the country has remained below the maximum allowable consumption specified in the agreement. The Secretariat noted that this is the last tranche of the TPMP, leaving the Executive Committee with no further recourse in case of non-compliance.

RECOMMENDATION

8. Taking into account all of the above, the Secretariat recommends the second tranche of the TPMP for the Republic of Moldova for approval, on the understanding that the Republic of Moldova will continue to submit annual reports on progress in implementation, and a new annual plan should the agreed existing one undergo any major changes during implementation.

	Project title	Project Funding (US \$)	Support Cost (US \$)	Implementing Agency
(a)	Terminal CFC phase-out management plan (second tranche)	140,500	18,265	UNEP
(b)	Terminal CFC phase-out management plan (second tranche)	152,500	11,438	UNDP
