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ANNUAL TRANCHE SUBMISSION DELAYS

- 1. This report emanates from a history of late submissions of annual tranches that resulted in delays in transferring funds and in fulfilling obligations to fund the activities required by the annual tranches. It is intended to enable the Executive Committee to encourage countries and relevant agencies to enhance their efforts to submit annual tranches as soon as possible and to address difficulties in meeting deadlines with respect to their submissions.
- 2. This report has addressed delays in the submission of tranches that were due at the current meeting and presents recommendations for consideration by the Executive Committee. It also highlights annual tranches that have been withdrawn from consideration at the current meeting due to slow implementation of the previous tranche and those that have been delayed by two consecutive meetings.
- 3. Fifty-five annual tranches were due for submission to the 60th Meeting, of which thirty have not been submitted. These are broken down as follows: UNDP (5), UNEP (16), UNIDO (4), World Bank (3), and France (2). Seventeen of these have not been submitted to two consecutive meetings. There were no multi-year agreements (MYA) tranches submitted to the 60th Meeting that needed to be withdrawn.

Annual tranche delays for two consecutive meetings

4. Table 1 presents those tranches that were not submitted to two consecutive meetings with the reasons as provided by the relevant implementing agency.

Table 1

ANNUAL TRANCHES NOT SUBMITTED TO TWO OR MORE CONSECUTIVE MEETINGS

Agency	Country	Sector	Tranche	Reason for delay	Planned Submission
World Bank	Antigua and Barbuda	CFC Phase Out Plan	2006	Funds not advance to NOU due to the financial crisis as per the reimbursement approach agreed in the signed grant agreement.	61 st Meeting
UNEP	Democratic People's Republic of Korea (the)	CFC Phase Out Plan	2009	Deferred consideration by decision until 61 st Meeting.	61 st Meeting
UNDP	Dominica	CFC Phase Out Plan	2009	Low disbursement of funds from approved tranches.	61st Meeting
UNEP	Dominica	CFC Phase Out Plan	2009	Low disbursement of funds from approved tranches. Country received 2nd and 3rd annual tranches. Sufficient funding at this stage.	62 nd Meeting
UNEP	Eritrea	ODS Phase Out Plan	2009	Licensing system not in place.	61st Meeting
UNIDO	Eritrea	ODS Phase Out Plan	2009	ODS legislation not in place.	62 nd Meeting
UNEP	Guatemala	CFC Phase Out Plan	2009	Low disbursement of funds from approved tranche and sufficient funding at this stage.	62 nd Meeting
UNEP	Kuwait	ODS Phase Out Plan	2008	Verification audit had not been completed in time.	61 st Meeting
UNIDO	Kuwait	ODS Phase Out Plan	2008	Verification audit had not been completed in time.	61 st Meeting
France	Lao People's Democratic Republic (the)	CFC Phase Out Plan	2009	Insufficient rate of disbursement.	61 st Meeting
UNDP	Peru	CFC Phase Out Plan	2009	Delay in the first tranche due to institutional changes.	61st Meeting
UNEP	Peru	CFC Phase Out Plan	2009	Low disbursement of funds from approved tranche. Sufficient funding at this stage.	62 nd Meeting
UNDP	Saint Kitts and Nevis	CFC Phase Out Plan	2009	Low disbursement.	61st Meeting
UNEP	Saint Kitts and Nevis	CFC Phase-out Plan	2009	Country received 2nd and 3rd annual tranches. Sufficient funding at this stage.	62 nd Meeting
UNEP	Saint Vincent and the Grenadines	CFC Phase-out Plan	2009	Insufficient progress made with respect to the implementation of the approved tranches.	62 nd Meeting
UNEP	Suriname	CFC Phase Out Plan	2009	Insufficient progress made with respect to the implementation of the approved tranches and sufficient funding at this stage.	62 nd Meeting
World Bank	Turkey	CFC Phase Out Plan	2008	Verification audits (2007 and 2008) not completed and annual programme incomplete.	61 st Meeting

5. The Executive Committee may wish to note the reasons for the delay and request that letters be sent encouraging implementing agencies and the relevant Article 5 Governments to take actions to expedite the implementation of the approved tranches so that the late tranche requests could be submitted to the 61st Meeting.

Other annual tranches due for submission to the 60th Meeting

6. Table 2 presents those tranches that were not submitted for the first time with the reasons as provided by the relevant implementing agency.

 $\frac{\text{Table 2}}{\text{ANNUAL TRANCHES NOT SUBMITTED THAT WERE DUE FOR THE FIRST TIME}}$ FOR SUBMISSION TO THE 60^{TH} MEETING

Agency	Country	Sector	Tranche	Reason for Delay	Planned Submission
UNEP	Burundi	CFC Phase Out Plan	2009	Low disbursement and slow implementation.	61st Meeting
UNIDO	Burundi	CFC Phase Out Plan	2009	Sufficient funds available on existing tranche.	61st Meeting
France	Central African Republic (the)	CFC Phase Out Plan	2009	Insufficient rate of disbursement of the 1 st tranche.	61 st Meeting
UNEP	Central African Republic (the)	CFC Phase Out Plan	2009	Low disbursement and slow start-up of first tranche.	61 st Meeting
UNDP	Democratic Republic of the Congo (the)	CFC Phase Out Plan	2008	Low disbursements.	61 st Meeting
UNEP	Democratic Republic of the Congo (the)	CFC Phase-Out Plan	2008	Insufficient progress made with respect to the implementation of the approved tranche due to structural and administrative changes in the Ministry.	61 st Meeting
UNEP	Equatorial Guinea	ODS Phase Out Plan	2010	Delays to start implementation of first tranche but sufficient funds available at this stage.	61 st Meeting
UNEP	Haiti	CFC Phase Out Plan	2010	Sufficient funding at this stage.	63 rd Meeting
UNEP	Saudi Arabia	ODS Phase Out Plan	2010	Verification audit had not been completed.	61st Meeting
UNIDO	Saudi Arabia	ODS Phase Out Plan	2010	Verification audit had not been completed.	61st Meeting
UNDP	Sierra Leone	ODS Phase Out Plan	2010	Low disbursements.	61 st Meeting
UNEP	Sierra Leone	ODS Phase Out Plan	2010	Delays at the start of implementation of first tranche bit sufficient funds available at this stage.	61 st Meeting
World Bank	Tunisia	ODS Phase Out Plan	2008	Delays in the procurement of servicing sector equipment and low disbursement.	61 st Meeting

7. The Executive Committee may wish to note the reasons given for delay and request that letters be sent encouraging implementing agencies and the relevant Article 5 Governments to submit these annual tranches to the 61st Meeting.

RECOMMENDATIONS

- 8. The Executive Committee may wish to consider:
 - (a) Noting:
 - (i) With appreciation, the information on Annual tranches submission delays of multi-year agreements submitted to the Secretariat by France, UNDP, UNEP, UNIDO, and the World Bank as contained in the document (UNEP/OzL.Pro/ExCom/60/13);
 - (ii) That 25 of the 55 annual tranches of multi-year agreements due for submission

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had been submitted on time to the 60^{th} Meeting, but the remaining 30 have not been;

- (iii) That letters should be sent for the annual tranches, indicated in Table 1 of the present document, that had been due for submission to the last two meetings with the reasons indicated for the delay, and encouraging implementing agencies and the relevant Article 5 Governments to take action to expedite the implementation of the approved tranches so that the overdue tranches could be submitted as early as possible; and
- (iv) That letters should be sent for the annual tranches, indicated in Table 2 of the present document, that had been due for submission to the 60th Meeting with the reasons indicated for the delay, and encouraging implementing agencies and the relevant Article 5 Governments to submit these annual tranches as early as possible.
