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WORK PROGRAMME AMENDMENTS OF UNIDO

COMMENTS AND RECOMMENDATIONS FROM THE FUND SECRETARIAT

- 1. UNIDO is requesting approval from the Executive Committee for US \$229,000 as amendments to its 2003 Work Programme plus agency support costs of US \$17,175.
- 2. The activities proposed in the Work Programme Amendments of UNIDO are presented in Table 1 below:

Table 1: Work Programme Amendments of UNIDO

| Country | Activity/Project | Amount Requested US \$ | Amount Recommended US \$ |
|--|---|---------------------------|--------------------------------|
| I. Project p | reparation | | |
| | Preparation of a phase out plan for halons, solvents and methyl bromide | 70,000 | 0 |
| Sudan | Preparation of national ODS phase-out plan | 70,000 | 70,000 |
| II. Renewal of institutional strengthening projects: | | | |
| Qatar | Renewal of institutional strengthening project: phase II | 89,000 | Issue |
| | Subtotal | 229,000 | |
| | Agency support costs: | 17,175 | |
| | Total: | 246,175 | |

I: Project preparation

Kyrgyzstan: Preparation of a phase-out plan for halon, solvents and methyl bromide (US \$70,000)

Project description

3. UNIDO received a request from the Government of Kyrgyzstan for the preparation of a phase-out plan for halon, solvents and methyl bromide.

Fund Secretariat's comments

- 4. The Secretariat noted that the halon baseline for compliance and the 2002 halon consumption reported by the Government of Kyrgyzstan are zero. There is no consumption of CTC and/or TCA solvent.
- 5. Regarding the phase out of MB, the Government of Kyrgyzstan submitted to the 41st Meeting a technical assistance programme for the phase out of MB used in storage fumigation (UNEP/OzL.Pro/ExCom/41/40). The MB baseline for compliance is 14.2 ODP tonnes and the 2002 reported consumption under Article 7 is 12.0 ODP tonnes.

Fund Secretariat's recommendation

6. Taking into account that halons and TCA and CTC solvents are not imported or being used in Kyrgyzstan and that a technical assistance programme for the phase out of MB was

submitted to the 41st Meeting of the Executive Committee, the Fund Secretariat does not recommend approval of the above project.

Sudan: Preparation of national ODS phase-out plan (US \$70,000)

Project description

7. UNIDO received a request from the Government of Sudan for the preparation of the national ODS phase out plan. The CFC baseline for compliance for Sudan is 456.8 ODP tonnes. The 2002 reported consumption of CFCs under Article 7 is 253.0 ODP tonnes.

Fund Secretariat's recommendation

8. The Fund Secretariat recommends blanket approval of the above project at the funding level shown in Table 1.

II. Institutional strengthening projects

Qatar Renewal of institutional strengthening project: phase II (US \$89,000)

| Summary of the Project and Country Profile | |
|---|------------|
| Implementing Agency: | UNIDO |
| Amount originally approved: | |
| Phase I: March 1999 | 68,450 |
| Total | 68,450 |
| Amount requested for renewal (US \$): | 89,000 |
| Amount recommended for approval (US \$) | |
| Agency support costs (US \$) | 6,675 |
| Total cost of institutional strengthening Phase II to the Multilateral Fund | 95,675 |
| Equivalent amount of CFC phase-out due to institutional strengthening Phase II at | |
| US \$12.1/kg (ODP tonnes) | 5.5 |
| Date of approval of country programme | March 1999 |
| ODS consumption reported in country programme (1997), (ODP tonnes) | 147.1 |
| Latest reported ODS consumption (2002) (ODP tonnes) | 120.2 |
| Baseline consumption of controlled substances (ODP tonnes): | |
| (a) Annex A Group I (CFCs) (Average1995-1997) | 101.4 |
| (b) Annex A Group II (Halons) (Average 1995-1997) | 10.7 |
| (c) Annex B Group II (Carbon tetrachloride) (Average 1998-2000) | |
| (d) Annex B Group III (Methyl chloroform) (Average 1998-2000) | |
| (e) Annex E (Methyl bromide) (Average 1995-1998) | |
| Latest consumption of controlled substances (ODP tonnes): | |
| (a) Annex A Group I (CFCs) | 101.5 |
| (b) Annex A Group II (Halons) | 13.6 |
| (c) Annex B Group II (Carbon tetrachloride) | 0 |
| (d) Annex B Group III (Methyl chloroform) | 0 |
| (e) Annex C Group I (HCFCs) | 5.1 |
| (f) Annex E (Methyl bromide) | 0 |
| Amount approved for projects (US \$) | 698,849 |
| Amount disbursed (as at April 2003) (US \$): | 249,166 |

| ODS to be phased out (ODP tonnes) | 13.0 |
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| ODS phased out (as at December 2002) (ODP tonnes) | |

Progress report

- 9. The activities undertaken in the implementation of the institutional strengthening project in Qatar were successfully executed. During the reporting period, the National Ozone Unit (NOU) completed the following planned activities; awareness campaign that involved the publication of articles and features on the ozone in newspapers and radio discussions, as well as the celebration of the international ozone day; monitoring of ODS importation through quota systems with approval from the National Ozone Unit. Preparing the draft of the Ozone Bill for Cabinet; training of refrigeration technicians under the refrigerant management plan; data collection and reporting.
- 10. The NOU is part of the Supreme Council for the Environment and Natural Resources. The National Ozone Officer reports directly to the Deputy Minister of Environment.

Plan of action

11. To sustain the downward trend in the consumption of ODS in Qatar, the NOU intends to implement the following activities under the institutional strengthening project: reduce the consumption of CFCs to 50% by 2005 through increased public education, training and awareness; continue implementing the refrigerant management plan; initiate action to produce educational materials on the ozone for schools; establish halon recovery and recycling centre; promote the use of alternative ozone-friendly substances for all sectors; continue implementing the CFC phase-out plan; establish a database of importers of ODS.

Fund Secretariat's comments

- 12. At their 15th Meeting, the Parties to the Montreal Protocol:
 - (a) Noted that Qatar has failed to report data for consumption of Annex A group I substances for the control period from 1 July 2001 to 31 December 2002, and has reported annual data for 2002 which is above its requirement for a freeze in consumption. In the absence of further clarification, Qatar is presumed to be in non-compliance with the control measures under the Protocol;
 - (b) Urged Qatar, to report data for the control period from 1 July 2001 to 31 December 2002 as a matter of urgency;
 - (c) Noted that Qatar's baseline for Annex A group II substances is 10.65 ODP tonnes. It reported consumption of 13.6 ODP-tonnes of Annex A group II substances in 2002. As a consequence, for 2002, Qatar was in non-compliance with its obligations under Article 2B of the Montreal Protocol;

(d) Requested that Qatar submit to the Implementation Committee, for consideration at its next meeting, a plan of action with time-specific benchmarks to ensure a prompt return to compliance.

Fund Secretariat's recommendation

13. In light of the non-compliance status with the control measures under the Montreal Protocol, the Fund Secretariat is submitting the request for the renewal of the institutional strengthening project for individual consideration. The Executive Committee may also wish to express to the Government of Qatar that: the Executive Committee has reviewed the report presented with the institutional strengthening renewal request for Qatar and notes with great concern that Qatar is presumed to be in non-compliance with the control measures under the Montreal Protocol. Despite this, Executive Committee recognizes that within the framework of the institutional strengthening project, Qatar has taken some steps to phase out the consumption of ODS. The Executive Committee is therefore hopeful that, in the near future, Qatar will fully implement all measures to control ODS and further reduce the consumption of all ODSs to the levels needed to ensure compliance with the Montreal Protocol.

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