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Bureau of the Twenty-Seventh Meeting of the Parties to the Montreal Protocol on Substances that Deplete the Ozone Layer Kigali, 9 October 2016

### Report of the meeting of the Bureau of the Twenty-Seventh Meeting of the Parties to the Montreal Protocol on Substances that Deplete the Ozone Layer

### I. Opening of the meeting

- 1. The Bureau of the Twenty-Seventh Meeting of the Parties to the Montreal Protocol on Substances that Deplete the Ozone Layer met at the Radisson Blu Hotel and Convention Centre in Kigali on 9 October 2016.
- 2. The meeting was opened by the President of the Bureau, Ms. Lucie Desforges (Canada). Ms. Desforges conveyed the apologies of her compatriot Ms. Virgina Poter, who had been unable to attend the meeting and on whose behalf she was serving as President.
- 3. The meeting was attended by the following Bureau members:

President: Ms. Lucie Desforges, Canada (Western European and other States)

Vice-Presidents: Mr. Mars Amanaliev, Kyrgyzstan (Eastern European States)

Ms. Tumau Herownna Neru, Samoa (Asian-Pacific States)

Mr. Vincent Biruta, Rwanda (African States)

Rapporteur: Mr. Elias A. Gomez, Dominican Republic (Latin American and

Caribbean States)

- 4. The full list of participants is set out in the annex to the present report.
- 5. In her opening remarks Ms. Tina Birmpili, Executive Secretary of the Ozone Secretariat, welcomed participants to the meeting and thanked the Government of Rwanda for hosting the forthcoming Twenty-Eighth Meeting of the Parties to the Montreal Protocol on Substances that Deplete the Ozone Layer.

### II. Adoption of the agenda

- 6. The provisional agenda for the meeting, set out in document UNEP/OzL.Pro.27/Bur.1/1, was adopted as follows:
  - 1. Opening of the meeting.
  - 2. Adoption of the agenda.
  - 3. Work to date on the implementation of the decisions of the Twenty-Seventh Meeting of the Parties to the Montreal Protocol.

- Overview of the working documents prepared for the Twenty-Eighth Meeting of the Parties to the Montreal Protocol.
- 5. Review of the agenda and presentation of a road map for the conduct of the Twenty-Eighth Meeting of the Parties to the Montreal Protocol.
- 6. Other matters.
- 7. Adoption of the report.
- Closure of the meeting.

## III. Work to date on the implementation of the decisions of the Twenty-Seventh Meeting of the Parties to the Montreal Protocol

- 7. The representative of the Secretariat provided an outline of the note by the Secretariat on work to date on the implementation of decisions adopted by the Twenty-Seventh Meeting of the Parties to the Montreal Protocol, an overview of working documents prepared for the Twenty-Eighth Meeting of the Parties, and a review of the agenda and road map for the latter (UNEP/OzL.Pro.27/Bur.1/2). Annex I to that note set out a tabular summary of actions taken to implement the decisions adopted by the Twenty-Seventh Meeting of the Parties. He then summarized the actions that had been taken to implement the decisions.
- 8. The Bureau took note of the information provided.

# IV. Overview of the working documents prepared for the Twenty-Eighth Meeting of the Parties to the Montreal Protocol

# V. Review of the agenda and presentation of a road map for the conduct of the Twenty-Eighth Meeting of the Parties to the Montreal Protocol

- 9. The Bureau considered agenda items 4 and 5 together.
- The Executive Secretary drew attention to annex II of the note by the Secretariat, which contained a list of documents for the Twenty-Eighth Meeting of the Parties. She also presented an overview and summary of the agenda and organization of work for the meeting. It was expected that, in accordance with the usual practice, a contact group would be established early in the meeting to deal with budgetary matters. With regard to items 4 and 5, she praised the work of the Technology and Economic Assessment Panel in finalizing, within a very short deadline, the updated report on alternatives to ozone-depleting substances and the report on the assessment of the climate benefits and financial implications of the hydrochlorofluorocarbon (HFC) phase-down schedules in the proposed amendments to the Protocol in respect of HFCs. Of particular importance was the consideration, under item 6, of the outcomes of the resumed thirty-eighth meeting of the Open-ended Working Group, held in Kigali on 8 October 2016, and the Dubai pathway on hydrofluorocarbons. It was expected that most discussion on the matter would take place in a contact group to be set in motion early in the week. Concluding her summary of the agenda, she said that it was hoped that all items would be covered by the end of the first session on Tuesday, to allow ample time for discussion of outstanding issues in contact groups and informally. The meeting would reconvene in plenary on a regular basis to ensure that Parties were well briefed on the progress of the discussions. Finally, she summarized the arrangements for the high-level segment that would take place on Thursday 13 and Friday 14 October.
- 11. The Bureau took note of the information provided.

### VI. Other matters

12. No other matters were discussed.

### VII. Adoption of the report

13. The Bureau agreed to entrust the Secretariat with the preparation of a draft report for circulation to the Bureau members for their comments. The report would then be finalized by the Secretariat, taking into account any comments by the Bureau members.

### VIII. Closure of the meeting

14. The President declared the meeting closed at 6.40 p.m. on Sunday, 9 October 2016.

### Annex

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### Bureau of the Twenty-Seventh Meeting of the Parties to the Montreal Protocol, Kigali, Sunday, 9 October 2016

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