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EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE OF
THE MULTILATERAL FUND FOR THE
IMPLEMENTATION OF THE MONTREAL PROTOCOL
Seventy-fourth Meeting
Montreal, 18-22 May 2015

**DATES AND VENUES OF THE 75TH AND 76TH MEETINGS
OF THE EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE**

75th meeting

1. By decision 73/75(b) the Executive Committee decided to hold its 75th meeting back to back with the Twenty-seventh Meeting of the Parties at a date and venue to be decided. By decision XXVI/22 the Parties decided to convene their Twenty-Seventh Meeting in Dubai, United Arab Emirates (UAE) in November 2015.
2. Subsequently, a Host Country Agreement between the UNEP Ozone Secretariat and the Government of the UAE has been concluded indicating that the Twenty-Seventh Meeting of the Parties (and associated meetings) will be held from 29 October to 5 November 2015. The Host Country Agreement also includes the possibility of holding the 75th meeting of the Executive Committee from 7 to 11 November 2015, with no financial obligation by the Government of the UAE.
3. Based on preliminary information provided by the Government of UAE and the UNDP office in Abu Dhabi¹, the cost differentials of convening the meeting in Dubai as opposed to holding it in Montreal at the International Civil Aviation Organisation (ICAO) is estimated at US\$ 304,000².
4. Considering the additional cost of over US \$300,000 for having the meeting in Dubai, the Secretariat explored the option of having the meeting in Montreal and tentatively booked meeting rooms at ICAO from 16 to 20 November 2015, after taking into account other international meetings³ as presented in document UNEP/OzL.Pro/ExCom/73/Inf.2.

¹ The Secretariat has secured the support of UNDP to assist with the procurement process following United Nations rules and regulations on contractual arrangements should the Executive Committee decide to hold its 75th meeting in Dubai.

² Comprised of US \$110,000 for staff travel; US \$120,000 rental of premises (at the Meeting of the Parties venue); US \$30,000 in rental of interpretation equipment and US \$30,000 for other equipment rental; US \$24,000 for report writers; US \$40,000 for interpreters; minus US \$50,000 representing expenses if the meeting were to take place in Montreal.

³ UNFCCC 21st session of the Conference of the Parties and the 11th session of the Conference of the Parties serving as the meeting of the Parties to the Kyoto Protocol (Paris, France, 30 November to 11 December 2015).

Pre-session documents of the Executive Committee of the Multilateral Fund for the Implementation of the Montreal Protocol are without prejudice to any decision that the Executive Committee might take following issuance of the document.

76th meeting

5. By decision 73/70(b), the Executive Committee decided to continue convening two meetings per year from 2015 onwards with the possibility of holding an additional brief meeting, if required, between those meetings to consider project proposals.

6. For planning for the 76th meeting, the Executive Committee may wish to note the tentative dates of other environment related meetings taking place during the first half of 2016, namely:

- Minamata Convention Intergovernmental Negotiating Committee's seventh session (INC7) from 6 to 11 March 2016, Jordan
- United Nations Framework Convention on Climate Change first sessional meeting from 16 to 26 May 2016 (venue to be determined)
- Second meeting of the United Nations Environment Assembly from 25 to 27 May 2016, Nairobi, Kenya
- 50th meeting of the Global Environment Facility Council from 7 to 9 June 2016, Washington D.C., United States of America
- Basel, Rotterdam and Stockholm conventions related meetings (dates and venues are not available yet)

Recommendation

7. The Executive Committee may wish to consider the following options for the dates and venues of the 75th and 76th meetings:

75th meeting

Option 1: 7 to 11 November 2015, Dubai, United Arab Emirates (exact venue to be determined)

Option 2: 16 to 20 November 2015, Montreal, Canada, at the International Civil Aviation Organization (ICAO)

76th meeting

Option 1: 9 to 13 May 2016, Montreal, Canada, at ICAO

Option 2: 30 May to 3 June 2016, Montreal, Canada, at ICAO
