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BILATERAL COOPERATION

1. This document provides an overview of requests from bilateral agencies, and whether these are eligible in light of the maximum level of bilateral cooperation available for 2017. It cross-references relevant meeting documents that include a discussion on the bilateral requests, and contains the recommendation on the year of assignment for bilateral cooperation.

Overview

2. A total of three projects for bilateral cooperation with a value of US \$958,090 have been submitted to the 79th meeting as shown in Table 1.

Table 1. Projects for bilateral cooperation submitted to the 79th meeting

| Agency | Country | Project title | Funding requested (US\$) | Agency support costs | Amount recommended (US\$)* |
|--------------------|-----------|--|--------------------------|----------------------|----------------------------|
| Germany | Mauritius | HCFC phase-out management plan (third tranche) | 332,750 | 40,140 | (1) |
| Germany | Namibia | HCFC phase-out management plan (third tranche) | 270,000 | 32,700 | (2) |
| Total | | | 602,750 | 72,840 | |
| Italy | Argentina | HCFC phase-out management plan (stage II, first tranche) | 250,000 | 32,500 | (3) |
| Total | | | 250,000 | 32,500 | |
| Grand total | | | 852,750 | 105,340 | |

* Comments and recommendations of the Secretariat are found in the following documents:

- (1) UNEP/OzL.Pro/ExCom/79/35.
- (2) UNEP/OzL.Pro/ExCom/79/37.
- (3) UNEP/OzL.Pro/ExCom/79/27.

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.

Request from the Government of Germany

3. The value of this request (US \$675,590), after taking into account the net amount approved in 2015 and 2016¹, and balances on a transferred project to be offset against 79th meeting approvals (US \$5,961), does not exceed the 20 per cent of Germany's allocation for the 2015-2017 triennium of (US \$8,659,025).

Request from the Government of Italy

4. The value of the request (US \$282,500) does not exceed the 20 per cent of Italy's 2017 bilateral contribution of US \$1,797,850.

Recommendations

5. The Executive Committee may wish to request the Treasurer to offset the costs of the bilateral projects approved at the 79th meeting as follows:

- (a) US \$XX (including agency fees) against the balance of Germany's bilateral contribution for 2015-2017; and
 - (b) US \$XX (including agency fees) against the balance of Italy's bilateral contribution for 2017.
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¹ Germany bilateral amount approved in 2015 equals US \$4,658,409 and US \$1,989,735 in 2016.