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Montreal, 20-23 June 2022

Items 9(a) and (b) of the provisional agenda¹

BILATERAL COOPERATION

1. This document provides an overview of requests from one bilateral agency, considers whether these are eligible in light of the maximum level of bilateral cooperation available for 2021-2022 following decision Ex.IV/1 on the 2021 contributions and decision XXXIII/2 on the 2022 contributions to the Multilateral Fund for the triennium 2021-2023,² and contains the recommendation on the year of assignment for bilateral cooperation. One bilateral request will be considered in this document.

Overview

2. Two projects with a value of US \$721,388 have been submitted by one bilateral agency as shown in Table 1.

Table 1. Projects for bilateral cooperation submitted to the 90th meeting

Agency	Country	Project title	Funding requested (US \$)	Support costs (US \$)	Amount recommended (US \$)	Considered under
Germany	Iran (Islamic Republic of)	HCFC phase-out management plan (stage II, fourth tranche)	598,000	68,018	666,018	ExCom/90/28
Germany	Seychelles ^a	Preparation of a Kigali HFC implementation plan	49,000	6,370	55,370	Present document
Total			647,000	74,388	721,388	

^a UNEP as lead implementing agency

¹ UNEP/OzL.Pro/ExCom/90/1

² At their meetings, the Parties to the Montreal Protocol decided inter alia to adopt the level of indicative contributions for the parties listed in table 1 of document UNEP/OzL.Pro.ExMOP.4/4 for 2021 and listed in table A of document UNEP/OzL.Conv.12(II)/9/Add.1-UNEP/OzL.Pro.33/8/Add.1 for 2022 on an interim basis in advance of a final decision by the Meeting of the Parties on a revised budget for the Multilateral Fund for the triennium 2021–2023; and that any contributions by parties made in advance of a final decision on the revised budget for the Multilateral Fund for the triennium 2021-2023 shall be without prejudice to the overall level of the replenishment or to the agreed level of contributions by parties.

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.

Allowable level of bilateral cooperation

3. The amount of funding being requested by the Government of Germany at the present meeting, in addition to the funding of its requests for bilateral cooperation approved in 2021 of US \$ US \$4,316,632, are below the eligible maximum level of bilateral cooperation calculated based on the aforementioned decisions of the Parties.

Bilateral request

Seychelles: Project preparation of a Kigali HFC implementation plan (KIP)

Project description

4. The Government of Germany submitted a request for the preparation of stage I of the KIP for Seychelles as cooperating bilateral agency, with UNEP as the lead implementing agency at the funding level of US \$49,000, plus agency support costs of US \$6,370. UNEP as the lead implementing agency for the KIP for Seychelles has requested US \$81,000 plus agency support costs of US \$10,530, in its work programme for 2022.³

Secretariat's comments

5. In reviewing the request, the Secretariat considered the guidelines for the preparation of KIPs as contained in decision 87/50; the activities proposed for project preparation and their connection with enabling activities and other HFC-related projects in the country. UNEP as the lead implementing agency, provided a description of the activities required for the preparation of the KIP and the corresponding costs of each activity in its work programme;⁴ the Secretariat's comments are also included therein.

Secretariat's recommendation

6. The Secretariat recommends blanket approval for project preparation of a Kigali HFC implementation plan for Seychelles at the level of funding shown in Table 1.

General recommendation

7. The Executive Committee may wish to request the Treasurer to offset the costs of the bilateral projects approved at the 90th meeting as follows:

- (a) US \$XX (including agency support costs) against the balance of the bilateral contribution of the Government of Germany for 2021-2022.

³ UNEP/OzL.Pro/ExCom/90/16.

⁴ Ibid.