EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE OF
THE MULTILATERAL FUND FOR THE
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Addendum

AMENDMENTS TO 2004 WORK PROGRAMME OF UNDP

Add the following paragraphs 6-11 on page 3.

ACTIVITIES RECOMMENDED FOR INDIVIDUAL CONSIDERATION

Preparation of the country programme/RMP for Bhutan

6. Subsequent to the dispatch of the documents to members of the Executive Committee, UNEP advised the Fund Secretariat of the imminent ratification of the Montreal Protocol by Bhutan and requested the possibility of submitting a proposal for the consideration of the Executive Committee at its 43rd Meeting for the preparation of the country programme/RMP.

7. On the basis of the limited time available prior to the 2005 Montreal Protocol compliance target, the need to commence country surveys for determining the level of ODS consumption, provide technical assistance to the Government for drafting relevant ODS legislation including a licensing system, develop the ODS phase-out strategy and action plan, including the RMP project, the Secretariat agreed, on an exceptional basis, to process the late submission of the proposal for Bhutan.

8. The project proposal was jointly submitted by UNDP and UNEP and consists of the following components:

   (a) Preparation of the Bhutan country programme/RMP for UNEP, at US $45,000;
(b) Preparation of the investment component of the RMP for UNDP, at US $15,000; and

(c) Start-up for the establishment of the Ozone Unit (institutional strengthening) for UNEP at US $40,000.

Secretariat’s comments

9. UNDP and UNEP’s business plans for 2004 endorsed by the Executive Committee at its 42nd Meeting (Decisions 42/28 and 42/29, respectively) did not include ODS phase-out activities for Bhutan.

10. It is stated in the project proposal that it is UNEP’s understanding that Bhutan is finalizing the process for the ratification of the Montreal Protocol; relevant documents will be submitted for the consideration of the Parliament of Bhutan on 28 June 2004. At the time of consideration of this project proposal, the Executive Committee may wish to request UNEP to indicate the status of the process of ratification of the Montreal Protocol by the Government of Bhutan.

Secretariat’s recommendation

11. The Executive Committee may wish to consider approval of the above project proposal for UNDP in light of the advice to be provided on the status of ratification of the Montreal Protocol by Bhutan. If the proposals are approved, the Executive Committee might also request UNDP to amend its 2004 business plan accordingly.

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