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(1 February - 12 June 1995)

[Details of progress from 1 October 1994 to 31 January 1995 along with highlights of whole of 1994 were presented in 16th meeting of the Executive Committee.]

This Progress Report consists of:

- I. Elements of the OzonAction Programme.
- II. Highlights (from 1st February - 12 June 1995)
- II. Details of progress from (1 February - 12 June 1995)

I. ELEMENTS OF THE OZONACTION PROGRAMME

The OzonAction Programme's activities can be grouped as follows:

- * **Information exchange** through the operation of an information clearinghouse.
- * **Training and networking activities** consisting of workshops, training courses, conferences and supporting training material (e.g. manuals, guidelines).
- * **Country programmes and related Institutional Strengthening** for low-volume ODS-consuming Article 5 countries and for non-Parties (with assistance from the Government of Finland).
- * **International Recycled Halon Bank Management Information Clearinghouse (IRHBMIC)**

Highlights and details of progress for each of these groups of activities are provided in the following sections.

II. HIGHLIGHTS OF MAJOR ACTIVITIES COMPLETED

Information Exchange:

- * Acquired over 80 new documents for the OzonAction Library and abstracted 86 documents/papers.

Acquisition and abstracting of documents is done in consultation with UNEP TOCs.

- * Responded to over 118 technical and policy queries and responded to 1186 publication requests.

This represented a steep increase over the corresponding period in 1994.

- * Published 2 issues of the *OzonAction Newsletter* and 8 issues of the fortnightly *Executive News Service*.

Also published in French, Spanish, Portuguese, and Chinese. A number of similar regional and national newsletters are now being published that use information from OAN.

- * Disseminated over 300 copies of the OAIC-DV Version 2.0 to all National Ozone Units (NOUs), key industry associations, and selected focal points in developed countries.

Diskette now includes Technology Sourcebooks and the Montreal Protocol Handbook.

- * Disseminated 12 aerosol sector case studies.

Case Studies were prepared and reviewed by UNEP Aerosols TOC member.

- * Disseminated 110 copies of the Case Study Compendium to NOUs and key industry associations.

Contains over 100 practical case studies produced by industry and governments in the refrigeration and solvent sectors.

- * Disseminated more than 1000 general awareness posters in three languages to selected developing and developed country focal points.

Demand continues to grow for the posters, which have been re-printed once already.

Training and Networking activities:

- * The Regional Workshop for Aerosol Conversion was held in Indonesia from 29 May to 1 June 1995.

Country action plans for ODS phase-out in the aerosol sector were produced by 8 countries.

- * The Regional Workshop on non-CFC technologies for Domestic Refrigerator Manufacturing Industries in the LAS region was held in Brazil from 18 to 19 May 1995.

The event, the first of its kind in the region, will promote an accelerated phase-out in the domestic refrigerator sub-sector in 10 countries and result in improved information on safety issues.

- * The Asia Regional Workshop on Ozone Depletion and Management of ODS phase-out in SMEs was held in India, from 7 to 10 February 1995.

The actions needed from stake-holders to develop an approach to ODS phase-out in SMEs were identified and recommended by 14 countries.

Networking

- * The ODS officers network for South East Asia and Pacific (ODSONET) conducted their 1995 follow-up meeting in Bangkok from 30-31 January, 1995.

Brunei Darussalam was able to attend for the first time and initiated the activities related to Country Programme formulation.

- * The ODS Officers Network in South America" (ODSONET/LAS) held their 1995 Network Workshop in Santiago, Chile, from 7-10 March 1995.

Paraguay was able to attend the workshop for the first time and has subsequently initiated procedures for the formulation of its Country Programme.

- * The first Network Workshop of ODS Officers in English-speaking Africa (ODSONET/AF-E) was conducted in Nairobi (back-to-back with the UNEP Governing Council meeting) from 15-18 May, 1995.

As a first workshop, it served to "set the scene" for ODS Officers in the area and to be a forum where various common difficult issues for ODS phase-out would be discussed.

Country Programmes:

- * 8 Country Programmes have been completed and will be submitted to the 17th Executive Committee Meeting: Congo, Dominican Republic, Lebanon, Malta, Peru, Saint Lucia, Togo and Vietnam.

Request from 6 countries for UNEP's assistance in the formulation of their country programmes have been received.

III. DETAILS OF PROGRESS

The details of progress is reported for the period from 1 February 1995 - 12 June 1995.

1. INFORMATION EXCHANGE

1.1. Sectoral data collection

Technologies for Protecting the Ozone Layer Sourcebook Series:

Content: Worldwide quality-reviewed sourcing information on alternative technologies, equipment and chemicals. Technology data sheets give advantages and disadvantages, including toxicity and environmental effects, and supplier lists indicate worldwide sources of available technology. Quality review was conducted by internationally-recognized sectoral experts drawn from the UNEP TEAP and TOCs,

to ensure compatibility with the TOC reports, technical accuracy, completeness, and utility for developing countries.

- * Formed the quality review team for the update of the *Refrigeration, Air Conditioning and Heat Pumps Sourcebook*. An initial draft of Quality Review guidelines for the data collection consultant to use when updating the sourcebook has been produced.
- * Continued dissemination of the following Sourcebooks to specific requesters in developing countries and developed countries:
 - *Aerosols, Sterilants, Miscellaneous Uses and Carbon Tetrachloride;*
 - *Flexible and Rigid Foams;* and
 - *Specialized Solvent Uses (developed in cooperation with USEPA).*
- * In cooperation with the Quality Review leader and industry reviewers, produced and disseminated to all recipients of the *Refrigeration, Air Conditioning and Heat Pumps Sourcebook* errata sheets for technical inaccuracies.

Maintained OzonAction Library :

Content: A document repository containing ODS phase-out technical and policy documents from around the world, which is used to respond to queries from National Ozone Units (NOUs) and industry groups in Article 5 countries, for the OAIC-DV Publications data base, and for various technical projects.

- * Acquired over 80 new documents.
- * Abstracted 86 documents/papers, under advice of Technical Option Committee (TOC) Co-Chairs/members.
- * Formed ad-hoc group of TOC Co-Chairs/members for selection of "core and practical" literature relevant for Article 5 countries for abstracting on priority, quality review of abstracts, for the following sectors:
 - Refrigeration
 - Aerosols
 - Foams

1.2 Query response service

Content: Research and response to (a) technical and policy questions and (b) document requests received from developing countries.

- * Responded to over 118 technical and policy queries and responded to 1186 publication requests.

1.3 OzonAction Newsletter and Special Supplements

Content: A quarterly newsletter containing most recent information on ozone related activities such as industry updates, new products, ODS phase-out success stories. Special supplements are usually devoted to special topics (e.g. halons).

- * Published 2 issues of the 8-page *OzonAction Newsletter* (OAN 14, and OAN 15) in English, French and Spanish, Chinese and Arabic. Two issues (number 12 and 13) and the Special Supplement on non-fluorocarbon alternatives for Refrigeration and Air-conditioning were published in Portuguese.
- * Produced 8 issues of the fortnightly *Executive News Service* and disseminated to Executive Committee members and the Multilateral Fund Secretariat.

1.4 Continue updating OAIC diskette version

Content: A diskette-based reference tool designed for NOUs containing data bases on technical/policy literature, contacts, and research findings. This diskette will be updated and disseminated 2 times per year.

- * Finalized, reproduced and disseminated over 300 copies of the OAIC-DV Version 2.0 to all NOUs, industry associations, and selected focal points in developed countries.
- * Solicited, collected, edited and reformatted new data from NOUs, industry associations, NGOs, et al. for input into the OAIC-DV Version 3.0.
- * Began programming OAIC-DV 3.0 software in order to incorporate *Inventory of Approved Projects, Refrigeration Sourcebook, Foam Sourcebook* and other new data.

1.5 Outreach activities at conferences and workshops

Content: Participation by the OzonAction Programme in key workshop and conferences in order to (a) disseminate information (b) collect information from participants (c) inform developing country participants about available clearinghouse services.

- * Participated in *Workshop on the ODS Disposal and Opportunities* co-sponsored by the UNEP Ad-Hoc Technical Advisory Committee on ODS Destruction Technologies and Environment Canada (Montreal, May 2-3). A presentation was given by the OzonAction programme entitled "ODS Destruction and the Needs of Developing Countries".
- * Participated in the *Essential Uses Seminar* organized by the Ozone Secretariat and UNEP TEAP (Nairobi, 7 May).

- * Participated in 11th Open-Ended Working Group meeting (Nairobi, 8-12 May). The OzonAction programme had an information booth to distribute documents and provide a hands-on OAIC-DV demonstration.
- * Participated in the Task Force meeting (Nairobi, 8 May) to discuss the preparations to celebrate "International Ozone Day" and the "10th Anniversary of the Vienna Convention."

1.6 Prepare Information Papers and Fact Sheets for Evaluation of Technical Options to Replace ODS

- Content:
- (a) Short technical papers drawing on existing literature sources to address specific sectoral issues of high concern to developing countries
 - (b) sectoral fact sheets.
- * Developed a new information paper on *Blends as Refrigerants* with in-house input (to be distributed to all NOUs in August).
 - * Updated and disseminated the following the *List of National ODS Focal Points* information paper.
 - * Collected data and drafted two new information papers (expected to be finalized and distributed in August):
 - *List of Industry Association Focal Points*
 - *List of Training Institutes Focal Points*

1.7 Compile and format the information on case studies from developed countries and developing countries.

- Content:
- Compile or reformat existing case study materials to make examples of successful ODS phase-out in developed countries available to NOUs and other developing country target groups.
- * Finalized and distributed 12 aerosol sector case studies (developed in cooperation with UNEP Aerosols TOC).
 - * Produced two draft case studies on *Retrofits Cold Storage Equipment with non-CFC Refrigerants* (expected to be finalized by August)
 - * Initiated project to produce six case studies for *Non-ODS Alternatives for the Foam Sector* (expected to be completed by August).
 - * Finalized, printed and disseminated 110 copies of the Case Study Compendium to NOUs and industry associations (at present the compendium includes over 100 case studies, and is expected to be updated once more in 1995 and every year thereafter).

1.8 Translate Technical Brochures

Content: Translation of existing *Protecting the Ozone Layer* technical brochure series into Chinese and Arabic.

- * Translation is currently on-going, and has been delayed. Expected to be completed by July.

1.9 Information Kit Project

Content: The Information Kit Project is designed to provide a variety of public awareness tools that would assist developing countries in their efforts to raise awareness on ozone depletion issues. The following tools are included under this project: video (with accompanying booklet), posters, handbook for national ozone units on "Guidelines for Informing the Public", slides and overheads for distribution to Article 5 countries.

- * Continued dissemination of two illustrative posters and one informative poster (in 3 languages). Due to the tremendous demand for the illustrative posters, they were reprinted in all languages.
- * The OzonAction video has reached its third cut, and will be ready for dissemination by July 1995. It will be sent to all NOUs for television broadcast nationally on International Ozone Day.
- * The handbook on "Guidelines for Informing the Public and National Campaigns" has reached its second draft stage and is now being edited and reviewed. It will be ready for dissemination by July/August. (Delays have occurred due to additional demands made by the reviewers of the information materials).

1.10 Information Dissemination Project (Philippines)

Content: The Philippines Information Dissemination Project is aimed at enhancing the understanding of the public in general and the policy makers/industry, in particular, on the negative effects of ODS, and the available options for phase-out. This will be done through the development and execution of a comprehensive information strategy and distribution of specific elements such as movie plugs, brochures, posters, etc., all designed to increase awareness of the issue.

- * Project staff has been constituted, and initial mobilization of regional ozone officers has been done.

- * Baseline survey of level of knowledge on ozone issues of target cities has begun.
- * The following communication tools will be ready by end of June:
 - radio-TV film plugs
 - print materials (Ozone flyer, comics inserts)
- * Press/media breakfast forum is scheduled in June
- * The government has requested extension of the project (without additional funds) up to 1996 due to delayed start up.

2. TRAINING AND NETWORKING

2.1 Training

Sector: Aerosol

2.1.1 Regional Workshop on Aerosol Conversion for the South East Asia/Pacific Region

Region: South Asia Pacific region

Participants: 85 participants from industry, aerosol industry associations and government (including ODS Officers) from South East Asia/Pacific countries including representatives from: Indonesia, Malaysia, Philippines, Thailand, and Vietnam, plus Bangladesh, India and Sri Lanka.

Status: Completed. The training course was held in Jakarta, Indonesia, from 29 May to 1 June, 1995.

Output: The development of effective national strategies to phase-out of ODSs in the aerosol sector was facilitated, in close cooperation with the Global Aerosol Project (GAP) managed by the World Bank. The strategies will take into account inter alia:

- * the continued (and in some countries, rapidly increasing) use of CFCs in the aerosol sector;
- * the large amount of small aerosol filling companies located in densely populated areas where retrofitting to hydrocarbons requires relocation;
- * the difficulties in reaching out to and controlling such companies;

- * the need for comprehensive national strategies combining regulations, financial assistance/incentives, public awareness and investment projects;
- * the need for a regional solution to ensure adequate supply of high quality hydrocarbon aerosol propellants (HAPs).

***Future activities/
expected results***

As a result of this workshop, industry and government participants have produced country action plans with completion target dates to initiate national aerosol strategies.

- * a regional HAPs supply approach was investigated and Malaysia, Thailand and Indonesia have committed to further investigation.
- * Indonesia has further committed to initiating a feasibility study in this regard.
- * the linkage between this workshop and the second stage of the GAP, was also strengthened.

Sector: Refrigeration

2.1.2 "Regional Workshop on Non-CFC Technologies for Domestic Refrigerators Manufacturing Industries in the LAS Region"

Region: Latin American (South)

Participants: 111 participants from 10 countries from the South America Region attended the workshop: Argentina, Bolivia, Brazil, Colombia, Chile, Ecuador, Paraguay, Peru, Uruguay and Venezuela. The participants represented 7 NOUs and approximately 51 industries engaged in manufacture of domestic refrigerators.

Status: Completed. The workshop was held on 18-19 May 1995, in Sao Paulo, Brazil.

Output: * Manufacturers from Latin America benefited from the experience of industry experts from developed countries who have already successfully converted to the production of non-CFC-based products.

- * Informal contacts were made to share experience and practical information on alternatives to CFC-based equipment.
- * Participants were educated about safety issues inherent to the use of hydrocarbon as an alternative.

Future activities/

expected results: The workshop will promote the accelerated phase-out of CFCs in the domestic refrigeration sector in the region, through the formulation of appropriate strategies and technical options for phase-out through better acquaintance with related technical and safety issues. It also will speed up the implementation of projects already approved.

Sector: Several

2.1.3 Asia Regional Workshop on Ozone Depletion and Management of ODS Phase-Out in SMEs

Region: Asia

Participants: 78 participants representing industry associations and governments of 14 of the region's developing countries, and experts from five developed countries.

Status: Completed. The workshop was held in New Delhi, India, from 7 to 10 February 1995.

Output:

- * Practical case studies of SMEs that have successfully phased-out ODS in developed and developing countries, highlighting specific problems and constraints faced by SMEs, along with safety issues.
- * Discussions on ways of increasing cooperation between governments and SME associations to achieve rapid phase-out in this sector.
- * Recommendations on approach to phase-out in SMEs through identifying the actions that need to be taken by governments, Implementing Agencies and private sector partners.

2.2 Networking (ODSONET)

2.2.1 ODS Officers Networks for Africa including the English-speaking African countries (ODSONETAF-E) and the French-speaking African countries (ODSONETAF-F) sub networks.

Region: Africa

Status: The 1st Network Workshop of ODS Officers in English-speaking Africa (ODSONET/AF-E) was conducted in Nairobi (back-to-back with the UNEP Governing Council meeting) from 15-18 May, 1995. 17 developing countries (Botswana, Egypt, Ethiopia, The Gambia, Ghana, Kenya, Malawi, Mauritius, Lesotho, Namibia, Nigeria, Seychelles, Swaziland, Tanzania, Uganda, Zambia and Zimbabwe) and 2 developed countries (Denmark and South Africa) participated.

Output:

- * As a first workshop, this workshop "set the scene" for ODS Officers in the area and provided a forum where various common difficult issues could be identified for further discussion and future resolution.
- * The priority common issues identified at the workshop included: Customs and the Harmonised System, training on incremental costs, calculation and methodology, how to deal with Small-Scale Enterprises, economic impacts of the Montreal Protocol on developing countries during the "grace" period and regional and sub-regional halon banks.
- * The interaction between groups of developing countries that were at different stages of implementation provided use full exchange of peer experience. The contributions of South Africa (the only country in Africa not considered a developing country under the Protocol) and Denmark provided insight into implementation problems and the various ways by which these could be alleviated.
- * Participants were introduced to Institutional Strengthening and Country Programme issues. Much useful information was provided to the other participants by countries such as Egypt and Ghana who had not only completed Country Programmes, but had implemented various investment projects.
- The Common issues and problem areas identified at this Workshop which impede the rapid phase-out of ODS substances in participating countries will be the subject of further discussion (and possible expert presentation) at the next Follow-up Meeting, tentatively scheduled for Cairo, Egypt, in November.

- The Workshop concluded with each country participant (in turn) stating what his or her primary goal was on their return to their country, what their first action would be to implement that goal, and what their time frame deadline was.

***Future activities/
expected results:***

- The ODSONET/AF-F workshop for French-speaking African countries will be held in September, 1995. The venue has not yet been finalised but options include Burkina Faso, Tunisia and Senegal (with participants stating a preference for Tunisia).
- Network members will be given essential information related to the Montreal Protocol and its requirements deadlines etc, decisions by the Executive Committee of the Multilateral Fund, planned activities by implementing agencies, mechanisms for Country Programme initiation and mechanisms for financial, resource and implementing agency assistance. In addition, a network of cooperation will be initiated between ODS Officers and potentials for capacity building will be developed.
- At the workshop, any common issues and problem areas which are identified as impeding the rapid phase-out of ODS substances in participating countries will be included in the agenda for further discussion (and possible expert presentation) at the Follow-up Meeting held approximately six months from the workshop.

2.2.2 ODS Officers Network for South East Asia (ODSONET/SEAP)

Region: South East Asia Pacific

Status: The ODS officers network for South East Asia and Pacific (ODSONET) conducted their 1995 follow-up meeting in Bangkok from 30-31 January, 1995. Participating countries were: Fiji, Indonesia, Lao P.D.R., Malaysia, Myanmar, Philippines, Singapore, Thailand, Brunei Darussalam and Vietnam.

Output: * Brunei Darussalam was able to attend for the first time and has initiated activities for country programme formulation.

- * Countries reported on the progress made and problems encountered in carrying out the recommendations of the 1994 ODSNET/SEAP workshop and with the status of their data reporting under Article 7 of the Montreal Protocol. The decisions made by the Parties at the 6th meeting were recalled and network activities which will allow ODS Officers to comply with those decisions were identified.
- * Common priority issues that had arisen since the last workshop were identified: data collection, SME strategies, the Australian licencing (accreditation) system, solvent cleaning in industry, halon banking, HCFC alternatives (foam), public awareness, MAC's and Methyl Bromide.

***Future activities/
expected results:***

The common issues identified will be discussed at the 1995 annual ODSNET/SEAP Workshop, will be held in Manila, Philippines, in August 1995.

- * Expected results are the continued cooperation of regional network countries to facilitate the timely phase-out of ODSs in the South East Asia Pacific Region, and the resolution of certain common problem areas (as above) identified in the 1995 ODSNET/SEAP Follow-up Meeting as impeding the phase-out process.

2.2.3 ODS Officers Network for Latin America ODSNET/LA, including the South Latin America (ODSNET/LA-S) and Central Latin America (ODSNET/LA-C) sub networks.

Region: Latin America

Status: The Latin American (South) Network held their 1995 Workshop for the Network of ODS Officers in South America" (ODSNET/LAS) in Santiago, Chile, from 7-10 March 1995. Ten developing countries (Argentina, Brazil, Colombia, Chile, Ecuador, Mexico, Paraguay, Peru, Uruguay and Venezuela) and one developed country (USA) participated.

- Output:***
- * Paraguay was able to attend the workshop for the first time and has subsequently initiated procedures for the presentation of its Country Programme.
 - * Common priority issues identified during the last Network meeting (Montevideo) were discussed in detail in an attempt to

resolve them. The topics included: Mobile Air-conditioning Systems, ODS Monitoring Systems and Methyl Bromide. Additional common priority issues which had arisen in the period since Montevideo were identified and proposed for examination at the next Follow-up meeting, to be held in La Paz, Bolivia, in September. These issues included ODS Monitoring and Incremental Costs.

- * Details and requirements were finalised for the Domestic Refrigeration Workshop in Sao Paulo (April, 1995).

***Future activities/
expected results:***

- The ODSNET/LA-C follow-up meeting will be held in San Salvador, El Salvador on 15-16 June, 1995
- * The venue for the next ODSNET/LA-S follow-up meeting was determined as La Paz, Bolivia, in September, 1995.
- * In both cases, various common issues and problem areas which were identified as impeding the rapid phase-out of ODS in participating countries in both regions (see above) will be discussed, and further issues will be identified for inclusion in the agenda for the next annual workshops.

2.3 Training material

- * Worldwide Directory of Refrigerant Recovery, Recycling and Reclaiming Equipment

Status: Final review has been delayed until third quarter of 1995.

2.4 Participation in Workshops/Conference

- * Participated in the following meetings as part of the coordinating efforts with other stake-holders in the implementation process:
 - Coordination Meeting of the Multilateral Fund (Montreal, 27-28 January 1995).
 - Subcommittee Meeting - Multilateral Fund (Montreal, 13 March 1995).

- Informal Consultations with the Executive Director on the Montreal Protocol (Cairns, Australia, 30-31 March 1995)
- 11th OEWG meeting (Nairobi, 8-12 May 1995)
- 1st Meeting of the Bureau of the Parties (Nairobi, 15 May 1995)

3. INSTITUTIONAL STRENGTHENING

* Out of the 21 Institutional Strengthening projects approved by the Executive Committee:

- Implementation Agreements have been signed with 6 additional countries (Panama, Botswana, Seychelles, Sudan, Uganda and Zimbabwe) totalling 14 countries with signed agreements.
- Of project allocations of US\$ 2.39 million to date, US\$1.85 million has been committed, corresponding to a delivery rate of 77% and planned disbursement started in all the countries as per the finalized agreement.
- Cameroon has already provided its progress report on the project.

4. COUNTRY PROGRAMMES

4.1 Country Programmes for Article 5 countries

4.1.1 Country Programmes under formulation:

33 Country Programmes are being formulated. Phase I includes consultation with the national team and conducting the ODS survey. The Phase II includes analysis of ODS data, formulation of a national strategy and action plan, identification and prioritization of specific projects and drafting of country programme report in consultation with the national team.

The status is as follows::

Country	Status
Antigua y Barbuda:	Phase II planned for June 95
Bahamas:	Phase II planned for June 95
Bahrain:	Phase II planned for August 95
Benin:	Phase II planned for June 95
Bolivia*:	Phase II completed. Update of the report is needed
Brunei:	Contact with the country has been made
Centrafrican Republic:	Phase II completed. Report almost ready
Chad*:	Contact with the country has been made

Congo*:	Report ready
Croatia:	Contact with the country has been made
Dominican Republic*:	Report ready
El-Salvador:	Phase I planned for August 95
Ethiopia*:	Phase I planned for July 95
Gabon*:	Phase I planned for July 95
Gambia:	Phase II planned for June 95
Guinea:	Phase II planned for July 95
Honduras:	Phase II planned for June 95
Jamaica:	Phase II planned for July 95
Lebanon:	Report ready
Lesotho:	Phase II planned for August 95
Malta:	Report ready
Myanmar:	Phase I completed
Namibia:	Phase II planned for August 95
Nicaragua:	Phase I planned for July 95
Pakistan*:	Phase II planned for July 95
Papua New Guinea:	Phase I completed
Peru:	Report ready
Saint Kitts and Nevis:	Phase II planned for June 95
Saint Lucia:	Report ready
Tanzania:	Phase II planned for July 95
Togo:	Report ready
Vietnam*:	Report ready
Western Samoa:	Contact with the country has been made

(*Country Programmes in there countries started when the country was not Party to the Protocol)

4.2 Country Programmes for non-Parties.

UNEP IE, with support from the Trust Fund of the Government of Finland, assists non-Parties to formulate their Country Programmes. These studies/programmes help these countries when they become Parties to the Protocol, as only updating of the programme would be necessary and thus saving time. It is also a major exercise in training the government and industry about the Montreal Protocol and phase-out related issues.

The following countries started their country studies when they were non-Parties, and have now become Parties. Their country programmes are now ready for submission: Vietnam and Dominican Republic.

Country Programmes were also started for: Chad, Gabon, Bolivia, Ethiopia and Pakistan, and the formulation is under way, as indicated in point 4.1.1.

The study for Morocco (non-Party) is ready. The country is expected to join the Protocol before the end of August 1995.

5. INTERNATIONAL RECYCLED HALON BANK MANAGEMENT INFORMATION CLEARINGHOUSE (IRHBMIC)

Content: In accordance with Decision IV/26 of the Copenhagen Amendment, UNEP IE established the IRHBMIC to collect and disseminate information relevant to international halon bank management; and liaise with and coordinate its activities with the Implementing Agencies.

- * Researched and responded to approximately 20 technical and policy queries (approximately half originated from developing countries).
- * Met with Co-Chair of Halons TOC to plan schedule and activities for IRHBMIC activities approved under 1995 Work Programme ("Self-Help Guide for Low-Volume Halon-Consuming Countries" and "Meeting of Halon Bank Managers").

6. "Meeting of Consultants Working on Multilateral Fund Activities"

Content: This meeting aims to achieve more efficient and consistent ways of preparing and reviewing projects submitted to the Executive Committee, through discussions between consultants of the four Implementing Agencies and the Multilateral Fund Secretariat.

- * The meeting will take place in Paris, 5-7 July.
- * Organization is well underway, in close association with the Multilateral Fund Secretariat. The Aide-Mémoire (background), Revised Annotated Agenda and framework for discussion papers have been finalised by the MFS and UNEP in consultation with the implementing agencies. The objectives and deliverables of the meeting have been set. UNEP IE is currently finalizing the agenda, participants list and guidelines for session chairs. Discussion papers are being produced by the MFS and implementing agencies, in consultation with their consultants, for circulation to the participants before the meeting.
- * Representatives from bilateral agencies and GEF have also been invited to attend.

7. COORDINATION WITH MULTILATERAL FUND SECRETARIAT

- * Joint organization of consultant's meeting.
- * Active participation in networking meetings and regional workshops.

8. INTER-AGENCY CO-OPERATION

- * UNIDO: in project formulation of Low-Volume Country Programmes. Participation in Networking and Regional Workshops.
- * UNDP: in coordination of refrigeration projects for Colombia, SME paper, participation in networking and regional workshops.
- * Word Bank: in coordination of the Aerosol Workshop in SEAP region with the Global Aerosol project, coordination of refrigeration project for Malaysia, and participation in networking and regional workshops.

9. BILATERAL AGENCIES COOPERATION

- * Denmark and South Africa: participation in African Network.
- * France: Vietnam Country Programme and other bilateral projects.
- * Canada: participation in network in the LAC region, and in the Regional Workshop on Ozone Depletion and Management of ODS phase-out in SMEs (India).
- * United States: participation in network in the LAC region, in the Regional Workshop on Ozone Depletion and Management of ODS Phase-out in SMEs (India), and in the "Regional Workshop on non-CFC Technologies for the Domestic Refrigerators Manufacturing Industry in the LAS Region".