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COUNTRY PROGRAMME: BENIN

This document consists of:

- Country Programme Evaluation Sheet (prepared by the Fund Secretariat)
- Comments and Recommendations of the Fund Secretariat
- Transmittal Letter from the Government of Benin
- Country Programme Cover Sheet
- Country Programme (Executive Summary)

COMMENTS AND RECOMMENDATIONS OF THE FUND SECRETARIAT

COMMENTS

1. The Country Programme conforms to the approved guidelines. The main use of ODS in the country, accounting for 90 per cent of ODS use, is for servicing of refrigeration and air conditioning equipment (including purging with CFC-11). The two flexible foam manufacturing companies in the country have phased out the use of CFC-11 as of May 1993 by substituting with methylene chloride.

2. Three activities to be implemented in 1996 and 1999 have been included, with their cost estimates, in the country programme. They are:

1996

Establishment of Ozone Bureau (institutional strengthening)	US \$	50,000
Training of refrigeration technicians		74,900

1999

Conversion of commercial refrigeration		22,815
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3. The establishment of Ozone Bureau (institutional strengthening) is discussed as part of UNEP 1995 Work Programme Amendment (UNEP/OzL.Pro/ExCom/18/9)

RECOMMENDATIONS

The Fund Secretariat recommends as follows:

1. To approve the Benin Country Programme. Approval of the country programme does not denote approval of the projects therein or their funding levels.

2. To defer approval of the training of refrigeration technicians pending the appointment of a project manager under the conditions of approval of institutional strengthening funds for Benin within the UNEP 1995 Work Programme Amendment.

3. To request the Government of Benin to present annually information to the Executive Committee on progress being made in the implementation of the country programme, in accordance with the decision of the Executive Committee on implementation of country programmes (UNEP/OzL.Pro/ExCom/10/40, para 135). Using the approved format, the initial report, covering the period 1 December 1995 to 31 December 1996, should be submitted to the Fund Secretariat not later than 31 March 1997.