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TRANCHE SUBMISSION DELAYS**Introduction**

1. Pursuant to decision 47/50(d),² the Secretariat has prepared the present document. It presents actions taken in response to the status of submissions on tranche submission delays under multi-year agreements (MYAs) at the 97th meeting³ and an analysis of each of the MYA tranches that were due but were not submitted to the 98th meeting. It also provides an overview of the reasons for the delays and the impact on compliance with the countries' obligations under the Montreal Protocol, and the Secretariat's recommendation. In accordance with decision 95/91(c),⁴ the present document is the first tranche submission delays document presented on an annual basis at the first meeting of 2026.

I. Tranche submission delays at the 97th meeting

2. At the 97th meeting, 21⁵ out of the 41 countries (33 out of 69 activities) scheduled to submit MYA tranche requests did not do so on time, representing a non-submission rate of 51 per cent. These tranches were rescheduled for submission to the 98th meeting.

¹ UNEP/OzL.Pro/ExCom/98/1

² The Executive Committee decided that a separate sub-agenda item on delays in the submission of annual tranches and disbursement of funds for tranches and obligations should be included for future meetings.

³ UNEP/OzL.Pro/ExCom/97/19, paragraph 10 and annex I.

⁴ The document on tranche submission delays would only be submitted at the first Executive Committee meeting of the year.

⁵ Including tranches of HCFC phase-out management plans (HPMPs) for two countries which were submitted but subsequently withdrawn.

II. Analysis of tranches not submitted to the 98th meeting

3. Forty-one activities associated with tranches of HPMPs or Kigali HFC implementation plans for 25 countries, at a total value of US \$23,855,238 (including agency support costs), due for submission to the 98th meeting, were not submitted, as shown in annex I to the present document.

4. In addition, the third tranche of stage II of the HPMP for Qatar amounting to US \$142,170 (including agency support costs) was submitted to the 98th meeting but subsequently withdrawn by the relevant implementing agencies during the project review process. This tranche is also included in annex I.

III. Reasons for delays and impact on compliance

5. The reasons for delays in the submission of MYA tranches include: Government decisions, and/or endorsements, and/or changes in the national ozone unit, and/or structural change (21); disbursement below the 20 per cent threshold of approved funds for the previous tranche (16); sufficient funds from previous tranche approved (4); internal or external difficulties (4); submission of progress and financial reports (3); lack of verification report (2); Executive Committee approval conditions (2); enterprise delays (1); signing of agreement or project document (1); investment component (1); lead or cooperating agency not ready for submission (1); operational delays (1); and procurement delays (1). For the delays in the submissions, more than one reason may apply.

6. As reported by the relevant bilateral and implementing agencies, delays in the submission of MYA tranches that were past due would have no impact on compliance with the countries' obligations under the Montreal Protocol. However, one country reported 2025 HCFC consumption data under Article 7 that is greater than its 67.5 per cent reduction levels for that year. This issue is addressed in the Country programme data and prospects for compliance.⁶

7. All outstanding tranches are expected to be submitted to the 99th meeting, except for Afghanistan and Thailand, whose remaining tranches of stage II of their HPMPs will not be submitted/requested, and for the Sudan and Viet Nam, whose outstanding tranches are expected to be submitted to the 100th meeting.

IV. Recommendation

8. The Executive Committee may wish:

(a) To note:

- (i) The report on tranche submission delays contained in document UNEP/OzL.Pro/ExCom/98/9;
- (ii) The information on tranche submission delays under multi-year agreements (MYAs) submitted by the Governments of France and Germany, UNDP, UNEP, UNIDO and the World Bank;
- (iii) That 31 out of 72 activities (18 out of 43 countries) related to MYA tranches due for submission at the 98th meeting had been submitted on time;
- (iv) That relevant bilateral and implementing agencies had indicated that the late submission of the tranches of HCFC phase-out management plans and Kigali HFC implementation plans due for submission at the first meeting in 2026 would have no impact on countries' compliance with the Montreal Protocol, and that there was

⁶ UNEP/OzL.Pro/ExCom/98/5

no indication that any of the countries concerned were in non-compliance with the Montreal Protocol control measures, except for one country; and

- (b) To request the Secretariat to send letters to the relevant Governments regarding the decisions on tranche submission delays contained in annex I to the present report.

Annex I

TRANCHES NOT SUBMITTED TO THE 98TH MEETING

Country	Agency	Tranche	Amount (with support costs) (US \$)	Reason for delay/withdrawal	Recommendations
Afghanistan (HCFC phase-out management plan (HPMP) stage II)	UNIDO	2025	300,135	Internal or external difficulties	Cancellation of stage II of the HPMP for Afghanistan is being requested at the present meeting. ¹
Barbados (HPMP stage II)	UNDP	2026	102,559	20 per cent disbursement threshold	Noting that the overall disbursement rate of the first (2022) tranche of stage II of the HPMP was below the 20 per cent disbursement threshold, that the mandatory verification on HCFC consumption targets had not been completed, and urging the Government of Barbados to work with UNEP to complete the verification, and with UNEP and UNDP so that the second (2026) tranche of stage II of the HPMP could be submitted to the 99 th meeting, on the understanding that the 20 per cent disbursement threshold for funding of the previous tranche had been achieved.
	UNEP	2026	59,325	Lack of verification report	
Cameroon (Kigali HFC implementation plan (KIP) stage I)	UNIDO	2026	434,420	Government decisions/endorsements/changes in the national ozone unit (NOU)	Noting the delays due to the heavy national administrative procedures and urging the Government of Cameroon to work with UNIDO so that the second (2026) tranche of stage I of the KIP could be submitted to the 99 th meeting.
Comoros (the) (HPMP stage II)	UNEP	2026	266,115	Government decisions/endorsements/changes in the NOU	Noting the delays due to structural changes within the Government and urging the Government of the Comoros to work with UNEP so that the second (2026) tranche of stage II of the HPMP could be submitted to the 99 th meeting.
Ethiopia (HPMP stage II)	UNEP	2026	110,740	Government decisions/endorsements/changes in the NOU	Noting the delays due to the change of NOU and urging the Government of Ethiopia to work with UNEP and UNIDO so that the third (2026) tranche of stage II of the HPMP could be submitted to the 99 th meeting.
	UNIDO	2026	40,330	Government decisions/endorsements/changes in the NOU/20 per cent disbursement threshold	
Gabon (HPMP stage II)	UNEP	2026	357,910	Government decisions/endorsements/changes in the NOU/submission of progress and financial reports	Noting the non-submission of the progress and financial reports and urging the Government of Gabon to work with UNEP to submit the required progress and financial reports, and with UNEP and UNIDO so that the second (2026) tranche of stage II of the HPMP could be submitted to the 99 th meeting.
	UNIDO	2026	123,050	20 per cent disbursement threshold	

¹ See document UNEP/OzL.Pro/ExCom/98/6, section I on “Projects with implementation delays and for which special status reports were requested”.

Country	Agency	Tranche	Amount (with support costs) (US \$)	Reason for delay/withdrawal	Recommendations
Grenada (HPMP stage II)	UNEP	2025	44,861	Lack of verification report	Noting that the mandatory verification on HCFC consumption targets had not been completed and urging the Government of Grenada to work with UNEP to complete the verification, and with UNEP and UNIDO so that the second (2025) tranche of stage II of the HPMP could be submitted to the 99 th meeting with a revised plan of action to take into account the reallocation of the 2025 and subsequent tranches where necessary.
	UNIDO	2025	13,161	Government decisions/endorsements/changes in the NOU	
Guinea (HPMP stage II)	UNEP	2026	134,470	Government decisions/endorsements/changes in the NOU/submission of progress and financial reports	Noting the non-submission of the progress and financial reports and urging the Government of Guinea to work with UNEP to submit the required progress and financial reports, and with UNEP and UNIDO so that the second (2026) tranche of stage II of the HPMP could be submitted to the 99 th meeting with a revised agreement in accordance with decision XXXVII/9 on the change of the baseline.
	UNIDO	2026	112,270	20 per cent disbursement threshold	
Iraq (HPMP stage II)	UNEP	2023	730,610	Government decisions/endorsements/changes in the NOU/internal or external difficulties/investment component/20 per cent disbursement threshold	Noting that the overall disbursement rate of the second (2022) tranche of stage II of the HPMP (UNEP component) was below the 20 per cent disbursement threshold and the recent completion of the delayed conversion investment projects under the national phase-out plan (NPP), and urging the Government of Iraq to work with UNIDO to submit the project completion reports for the conversion investment projects prior to the 99 th meeting so that the third (2023) tranche of stage II of the HPMP for UNEP and the second and third (2022 and 2023) tranches of stage II of the HPMP for UNIDO could be submitted to the 99 th meeting with a revised plan of action to take into account the reallocation of the 2022, 2023 and subsequent tranches where necessary, on the understanding that the 20 per cent disbursement threshold for funding of the previous tranche had been achieved. ²
	UNIDO	2022 and 2023	722,250	Enterprise delays	
Kenya (HPMP stage II)	France	2023	671,075	Government decisions/endorsements/changes in the NOU	Noting the delays due to changes in the national regulatory framework and urging the Government of Kenya to work with the Government of France so that the third (2023) tranche of stage II of the HPMP could be submitted to the 99 th meeting with a revised plan of action to take into account the reallocation of the 2023 and subsequent tranches where necessary.

² See document UNEP/OzL.Pro/ExCom/98/6

Country	Agency	Tranche	Amount (with support costs) (US \$)	Reason for delay/withdrawal	Recommendations
Kuwait (HPMP stage II)	UNEP	2025	299,298	Government decisions/endorsements/changes in the NOU/submission of progress and financial reports/20 per cent disbursement threshold	Noting that the overall disbursement rate of the second (2023) tranche of stage II of the HPMP was below the 20 per cent disbursement threshold, and the non-submission of the progress and financial reports, and urging the Government of Kuwait to work with UNEP to submit the required progress and financial reports, and with UNEP and UNIDO so that the third (2025) tranche of stage II of the HPMP could be submitted to the 99 th meeting with a revised plan of action to take into account the reallocation of the 2025 tranche where necessary, on the understanding that the 20 per cent disbursement threshold for funding of the previous tranche had been achieved. ³
	UNIDO	2025	64,200	Lead or cooperating agency not ready	
Malaysia (KIP stage I)	World Bank	2025	3,473,530	20 per cent disbursement threshold	Noting that the overall disbursement rate of the first (2023) tranche of stage I of the KIP was below the 20 per cent disbursement threshold, and urging the Government of Malaysia to work with the World Bank so that the second (2025) tranche of stage I of the KIP could be submitted to the 99 th meeting with a revised plan of action to take into account the reallocation of the 2025 and subsequent tranches where necessary, on the understanding that the 20 per cent disbursement threshold for funding of the previous tranche had been achieved.
Mauritius (HPMP)	Germany	2023	75,343	Government decisions/endorsements/changes in the NOU/20 per cent disbursement threshold	Noting that the overall disbursement rate of the fourth (2020) tranche of the HPMP was below the 20 per cent disbursement threshold, and urging the Government of Mauritius to work with the Government of Germany so that the fifth (2023) tranche of the HPMP could be submitted to the 99 th meeting with a revised plan of action to take into account the reallocation of the 2023 and subsequent tranches where necessary, on the understanding that the 20 per cent disbursement threshold for funding of the previous tranche had been achieved.
Mozambique (HPMP stage II)	UNDP	2026	110,363	20 per cent disbursement threshold	Noting the delays due to political situation and successive changes in the government and urging the Government of Mozambique to work with UNDP and UNEP so that the second (2026) tranche of stage II of the HPMP could be submitted to the 99 th meeting.
	UNEP	2026	180,353	Government decisions/endorsements/changes in the NOU	
Mozambique (KIP stage I)	UNDP	2026	6,780	20 per cent disbursement threshold	Noting the delays due to political situation and successive changes in the Government and urging the Government of Mozambique to work with UNDP and UNEP so that the second (2026) tranche of stage I of the KIP could be submitted to the 99 th meeting.
	UNEP	2026	92,095	Government decisions/endorsements/changes in the (NOU	

³ See document UNEP/OzL.Pro/ExCom/98/6

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Pakistan (HPMP stage III)	UNEP	2026	664,514	Government decisions/endorsements/changes in the NOU/sufficient funds from previous tranche approved/20 per cent disbursement threshold	Noting the delays due to the structural changes within the Government and urging the Government of Pakistan to work with UNEP and UNIDO so that the third (2026) tranche of stage III of the HPMP could be submitted to the 99 th meeting.
	UNIDO	2026	928,118	Government decisions/endorsements/changes in the NOU	
Qatar (HPMP stage II)	UNEP	2025	77,970	Executive Committee (ExCom) approval conditions	Noting that the third (2025) tranche of stage II of the HPMP submitted to the 98 th meeting had been withdrawn, as not all the conditions specified in decision 88/54(e)(i), (ii) and (iii) had been met, and urging the Government of Qatar to work with UNEP and UNIDO so that the third (2025) tranche of stage II of the HPMP could be submitted to the 99 th meeting with a revised plan of action to take into account the reallocation of the 2025 tranche where necessary.
	UNIDO	2025	64,200	ExCom approval conditions	
Saudi Arabia (HPMP stage II)	UNEP	2026	2,044,327	Internal or external difficulties/signing of agreement/project document	Noting the delays due to non-compliance with the ExCom approval conditions and that the overall disbursement rate of the first (2024) tranche of stage II of the HPMP was below the 20 per cent disbursement threshold and urging the Government of Saudi Arabia to work with UNEP and UNIDO so that the second (2026) tranche of stage II of the HPMP could be submitted to the 99 th meeting, on the understanding that the 20 per cent disbursement threshold for funding of the previous tranche had been achieved.
	UNIDO	2026	3,843,800	20 per cent disbursement threshold/ExCom approval conditions	
Sierra Leone (HPMP stage II)	UNEP	2026	79,100	Government decisions/endorsements/changes in the NOU	Noting the delays due to the change in ministers within the Government and urging the Government of Sierra Leone to work with UNEP so that the third (2026) tranche of stage II of the HPMP could be submitted to the 99 th meeting.
Sudan (the) (HPMP stage III)	UNIDO	2026	120,375	20 per cent disbursement threshold/ExCom approval conditions	Noting the delays due to non-compliance with the ExCom approval conditions and that the overall disbursement rate of the first (2021) tranche of stage III of the HPMP was below the 20 per cent disbursement threshold and urging the Government of the Sudan to work with UNIDO so that the second (2026) tranche of stage III of the HPMP could be submitted to the 100 th meeting with a revised plan of action to take into account the reallocation of the 2026 and subsequent tranches, on the understanding that the 20 per cent disbursement threshold for funding of the previous tranche had been achieved.
Syrian Arab Republic (HPMP stage I)	UNEP	2024	445,295	Government decisions/endorsements/changes in the NOU/sufficient funds from previous tranche approved/20 per cent disbursement threshold	Noting the delays due to change of ministry and NOU and that the overall disbursement rate of the second (2022) tranche of stage I of the HPMP was below the 20 per cent disbursement threshold and urging the Government of Syrian Arab Republic to work with UNEP and UNIDO so that the third (2024) tranche of stage I of the HPMP could be submitted to the 99 th meeting with a revised plan of action to take into account the reallocation of the 2024 and subsequent tranches where necessary, on the understanding that the 20 per cent disbursement threshold for funding of the previous tranche had been achieved.
	UNIDO	2024	924,965	Government decisions/endorsements/changes in the NOU/20 per cent disbursement threshold	

Country	Agency	Tranche	Amount (with support costs) (US \$)	Reason for delay/withdrawal	Recommendations
Thailand (HPMP stage II)	World Bank	2022	186,763	Sufficient funds from previous tranche approved	Noting that sufficient funds remain available from the previously approved tranche; that stage II of the HPMP was completed at the end of 2025 and its project completion report was submitted to the 98 th meeting; and that the third and final (2022) tranche of stage II of the HPMP will not be requested in the future. ⁴
Timor-Leste (HPMP stage II)	UNDP	2025	15,173	Operational delays	Noting that sufficient funds remain available from the previously approved tranche and urging the Government of Timor-Leste to work with UNDP and UNEP so that the fourth (2025) tranche of stage II of the HPMP could be submitted to the 99 th meeting with a revised plan of action to take into account the reallocation of the 2025 tranche where necessary.
	UNEP	2025	23,594	Sufficient funds from previous tranche approved	
United Republic of Tanzania (the) (HPMP stage II)	UNEP	2026	138,425	Government decisions/endorsements/changes in the NOU	Noting the delays due to the political unrest and urging the Government of the United Republic of Tanzania to work with UNEP and UNIDO so that the second (2026) tranche of stage II of the HPMP could be submitted to the 99 th meeting.
	UNIDO	2026	76,300	Government decisions/endorsements/changes in the NOU	
Uruguay (HPMP stage III)	UNDP	2026	349,483	Procurement delays	Noting the delays due to the procurement of tools and equipment and urging the Government of Uruguay to work with UNDP and UNIDO so that the third (2026) tranche of stage III of the HPMP could be submitted to the 99 th meeting.
	UNIDO	2026	30,215	Government decisions/endorsements/changes in the NOU	
Venezuela (Bolivarian Republic of) (HPMP stage II)	UNIDO	2025	526,654	Internal or external difficulties	Noting the delays due to external factors that affected the implementation of the project and urging the Government of the Bolivarian Republic of Venezuela to work with UNIDO so that the fourth (2025) tranche of stage II of the HPMP could be submitted to the 99 th meeting with a revised plan of action to take into account the reallocation of the 2025 and subsequent tranches where necessary.
Viet Nam (HPMP stage III)	World Bank	2026	4,932,894	20 per cent disbursement threshold	Noting that the overall disbursement rate of the first (2023) tranche of stage III of the HPMP was below the 20 per cent disbursement threshold, and urging the Government of Viet Nam to work with the World Bank so that the second (2026) tranche of stage III of the HPMP could be submitted to the 100 th meeting with a revised plan of action to take into account the reallocation of the 2026 and subsequent tranches, on the understanding that the 20 per cent disbursement threshold for funding of the previous tranche had been achieved.
Total			23,997,408		

⁴ See document UNEP/OzL.Pro/ExCom/98/49