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**Montreal Protocol Multilateral Fund's
Projects for the Latin America and
the Caribbean Countries:**

**Compliance Assistance Programme
(CAP) of Montreal Protocol**

Presentation

1. In keeping with the mandates of the Montreal Protocol, all Parties are now in the stage of compliance with the Ozone Depleting Substance phase out. In virtue of this, the Multilateral Fund approved the Compliance Assistance Programme of Montreal Protocol (CAP) to assist developing countries to meet their commitments, in line with the regionalization process of UNEP.
2. The Regional CAP team was fully established in 2003 and it has been working with the purpose to strength national capacities for implementing Montreal Protocol, by means of technical assistance projects as well as technical support to National Ozone Offices.
3. The table presented below gives a brief outline of the outputs of the CAP in each country of the region of Latin America and the Caribbean over the period January to October 2003.

Country	Main Ouputs Obtained from 1st January to 30th October 2003
ANTIGUA AND BARBUDA	Regular disbursements of Institutional Strengthening Project to implement Montreal Protocol. Consequently, country is in compliance with Ozone Depleting Substances consumption data reporting, legislation to control imports is in force and has carried out public awareness campaigns.
ARGENTINA	Ozone Depleting Substances Imports and Exports Licensing System drafted. Memorandum of Understanding signed by UNEP and the National Institute of Industrial Technology to develop a Good Practices in Refrigeration Training Programme for air conditioning and refrigeration technicians. Draft of Memorandum of Understanding to develop an Ozone Depleting Substances Imports and Exports Control Training Programme, under consideration by Customs Directorate.
BAHAMAS	Official mission of the Montreal Protocol Policy and Enforcement Programme Officer of ROLAC to provide support for elaborating the CFC phase-out Returning to Compliance Plan. Implementation Committee has tabled that country has returned to compliance. Extension of Institutional Strengthening Project to implement Montreal Protocol approved at 39 th Multilateral Fund Executive Committee Meeting, (March 2003) but cash advance requests were not received during this year.
BARBADOS	Regular disbursements of Institutional Strengthening Project to implement Montreal Protocol. Consequently, country is in compliance with Ozone Depleting Substances consumption data reporting, legislation to control imports is being developed and has carried out public awareness campaigns. Memorandum of Understanding signed by UNEP and Environment, Energy and Natural Resources Ministry to elaborate the Refrigerant Management Plan, which is drafted and under consideration of the Cabinet. Participation of the Montreal Protocol Policy and Enforcement Programme Officer of ROLAC at the National Workshop to identify activities for Refrigerant Management Plan.
BELIZE	Extension of Institutional Strengthening Project to implement Montreal Protocol approved at 40 th Multilateral Fund Executive Committee Meeting (July 2003) and regular disbursements. Consequently, country is in compliance with Ozone Depleting Substances consumption data reporting, legislation to control imports is in force and has carried out public awareness campaigns. Refrigerant Management Plan (Phase I) activities' report submitted to 41 st Multilateral Fund Executive Committee Meeting (December 2003), in order to request financing to prepare Second Phase of the RMP.

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BRAZIL	Participation of ROLAC Programme Officer at Ozone Day celebrations in Sao Paulo.
BOLIVIA	Extension of Institutional Strengthening Project to implement Montreal Protocol approved at 40th Multilateral Fund Executive Committee Meeting (July 2003) and regular disbursements. Consequently, country is in compliance with Ozone Depleting Substances consumption data reporting, legislation to control imports is in force and has acquired new office equipment after fire of last February.
CHILE	Three Memorandums of Understanding signed by UNEP and CONAMA to implement the Refrigerant Management Plan.
COLOMBIA	Three courses of Good Practices in Refrigeration with a total of 120 trainers and technicians trained. Memorandum of Understanding signed by UNEP and Environment, Housing and Territorial Development Ministry to train Customs Officers in Ozone Depleting Substances Imports Control. 60 trainers trained. Participation of ROLAC Refrigeration Management Plan Programme Officer as a lecturer of certain subjects issues of the first Customs Officers Train of Trainers Workshop. Refrigerants identifiers equipment purchasing bidding is in progress and waiting for approval of technical opinion. Main Meeting of OzonAction Latin-America Network carried out in Bogotá city.
DOMINICA	Official mission of Montreal Protocol Policy and Enforcement Programme Officer of ROLAC to provide support for restarting Montreal Protocol implementation at the national level. Reprogramming of activities and budget of the Institutional Strengthening Project to implement Montreal Protocol (inactive by 4 years). In this regard, one country cash advance request was issue and received in October 2003. In spite of that, actually country is in compliance with Ozone Depleting Substances consumption data reporting that was pending. New Ozone Officer designated and trained by UNEP/ROLAC on the Montreal Protocol and its implementation.
DOMINICAN REPUBLIC	Extension of Institutional Strengthening Project to implement Montreal Protocol approved at 39th Multilateral Fund Executive Committee Meeting, (March 2003) and disbursements regularly done. Consequently, country is in compliance with Ozone Depleting Substances consumption data reporting, legislation to control imports is in force and has carried out public awareness campaigns. Memorandum of Understanding signed by UNEP and Vice-Minister of Environment to implement Technical Assistance Project (DOM/SEV/37/TAS/31). Main objective of such Project is reviewing Ozone Depleting Substances imports control legislation and prevention of the illegal trade.
GRENADA	Two Official Missions of the Montreal Protocol Policy and Enforcement Programme Officer of ROLAC to provide support for restarting Montreal Protocol implementation at the national level. Reprogramming of activities and budget of the Institutional Strengthening Project to implement Montreal Protocol (inactive by 3 years). In this regard, one country cash advance request was issue and received in October 2003. In spite of that, during this year country has reviewed Ozone Depleting Substance Imports Licensing System Draft and its Art. 7 historical consumption data reporting is under preparation. New Ozone Officer designated and trained by UNEP/ROLAC on the Montreal Protocol and its implementation.

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GUATEMALA	<p>Official Mission of OzonAction Networks Regional Coordinator and Methyl Bromide Phase-out Programme Officers of ROLAC to provide support for elaborating the CFCs and Methyl Bromide Phase-out Returning to Compliance Plan.</p> <p>Disbursements of Institutional Strengthening Project to implement del Montreal Protocol regularly done. Consequently, country is in compliance with Ozone Depleting Substances consumption data reporting, legislation to control imports is in force and has carried out public awareness campaigns.</p> <p>Memorandum of Understanding signed by UNEP and Environment and Natural Resources Ministry to implement the projects of Refrigerant Management Plan (Phase II).</p> <p>Five courses to Custom Officers completed by inter-institutional team of senior government officers of the Environment and Public Ministries and Refrigeration Technician Association. 150 Customs Officers trained.</p> <p>Environment inspectors trained for sampling CFCs in refrigeration technicians' workshops and suppliers, in order to monitor final destination of imports permissions issued.</p>
GUYANA	<p>Official mission of the Montreal Protocol Policy and Enforcement Programme Officer of ROLAC to collaborate in the coordination of national activities to implement Montreal Protocol.</p> <p>Institutional Strengthening Project disbursements to be resumed in November 2003 after country expenditure report clearance by UNON. In spite of that, country is in compliance with Ozone Depleting Substances consumption data reporting, legislation to control imports is in force and has carried out public awareness campaigns.</p> <p>Memorandum of understanding signed by UNEP and Hydro-Meteorological Service of Agriculture Ministry to implement the projects of Refrigerant Management Plan (Phase II) and first disbursement sent to the country in order to start project's activities.</p>
HAITI	<p>First disbursement of Institutional Strengthening Project to implement Montreal Protocol done in July 2003. Consequently and cooperation with the Dominican Republic Ozone Unit, country is in compliance with Ozone Depleting Substances consumption data reporting and has carried out public awareness campaigns.</p> <p>Refrigerant Management Plan approved in the 39^a Multilateral Fund Executive Committee Meeting, (March 2003) and its corresponding Memorandum of Understanding between UNEP and Environment Ministry is under signature.</p>
HONDURAS	<p>Extension of Institutional Strengthening Project to implement Montreal Protocol approved at 40th Multilateral Fund Executive Committee Meeting (July 2003) and regular disbursements. Consequently, country is in compliance with Ozone Depleting Substances consumption data reporting, legislation to control imports is in force and has carried out public awareness campaigns.</p> <p>Refrigerant Management Plan (Phase I) activities report submitted to 41st Multilateral Fund Executive Committee Meeting (December 2003), in order to request financing to prepare Second Phase of such Plan.</p>
JAMAICA	<p>Ozone Award 2003 issued by UNEP, Multilateral Fund and Ozone Secretariat during XV Meeting of the Parties of Montreal Protocol.</p> <p>Extension of Institutional Strengthening Project to implement Montreal Protocol approved at 40th Multilateral Fund Executive Committee Meeting, (July 2003) and disbursements regularly done. Consequently, country is in compliance with Ozone Depleting Substances consumption data reporting, legislation to control imports is in force and has carried out public awareness campaigns.</p>
MEXICO	<p>Technical Assistance Request to ratify Montreal and Beijing Amendments of the Protocol approved and national consultant enterprise under hiring process.</p> <p>Follow-up Meeting of OzonAction Latin America Network carried out in Mexico City.</p>

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NICARAGUA	<p>Extension of Institutional Strengthening Project to implement Montreal Protocol approved at 39th Multilateral Fund Executive Committee Meeting (March 2003) and disbursements regularly done. Consequently, country is in compliance with Ozone Depleting Substances consumption data reporting, legislation to control imports is in force and has carried out public awareness campaigns.</p> <p>Official Mission of OzonAction Networks Regional Coordinator of ROLAC to collaborate in the revision of customs code and 91/2000 Decree. Also, country needs to achieve 2005 phase-out commitment were identified.</p> <p>Memorandum of Understanding to Customs Officers Training signed by UNEP and Environment and Natural Resources Ministry. 25 high level officers of Customs, Agriculture and Environment Ministries were trained.</p> <p>25 trainers and refrigeration technicians trained to develop a Training Programme in Refrigeration to the servicing sector.</p> <p>CFCs Recovery and Recycling equipment and refrigerants identifiers equipment biddings is in progress and pending approval of technical assessment.</p> <p>Refrigerant Management Plan (Phase I) activities report submitted to 41st Multilateral Fund Executive Committee Meeting (December 2003), in order to request financing to prepare Second Phase of such Plan.</p>
PANAMA	<p>Regular disbursements of Institutional Strengthening Project to implement Montreal Protocol. Consequently, country is in compliance with Ozone Depleting Substances consumption data reporting, legislation to control imports is in force and has carried out public awareness campaigns.</p> <p>Memorandum of Understanding to Customs Officers Training signed by UNEP and Ministry of Health. 30 high level officers of Customs and Ministry of Health were trained.</p> <p>30 teachers and refrigeration technicians trained to develop a Training Programme in Good Practices in Refrigeration for the servicing sector.</p> <p>Participation of Refrigeration Management Plan Programme Officer of ROLAC as a lecturer of certain subjects at the first Custom Officers Train of Trainers Workshop, as well as the workshop in Good Practices in Refrigeration.</p> <p>Refrigerant identifiers equipment purchasing bidding is in progress and waiting for approval of technical opinion.</p> <p>Refrigerant Management Plan (Phase I) activities report submitted and approved at 40th Multilateral Fund Executive Committee Meeting (July de 2003). Consequently, funds to elaborate Second Phase of such Plan are available.</p>
PARAGUAY	<p>Mission to identify Methyl Bromide use and consumption carried out by Methyl Bromide Phase-out Programme Officer of ROLAC.</p> <p>Extension of Institutional Strengthening Project to implement Montreal Protocol approved at 39th Multilateral Fund Executive Committee Meeting (March 2003) and disbursements regularly done. Consequently, country is in compliance with Ozone Depleting Substances consumption data reporting, legislation to control imports is in force and has carried out public awareness campaigns.</p> <p>Memorandum of Understanding signed between UNEP and the Environment Secretariat, 20 Health trainers and technicians were trained and will develop a training Programme in Good Practices in Refrigeration. This Programme will cover a total of 1000 refrigeration and air conditioning technicians.</p> <p>Participation of Programme Assistant of ROLAC to collaborate at the First Workshop to Good Practices in Refrigeration and to plan next stages together with Ozone Unit, refrigerant suppliers and refrigeration training institutes.</p> <p>Memorandum of Understanding to Customs Officers Training signed between UNEP and the Environment Secretary, 25 high level officers of Customs and Environment Secretariat will be trained (2 – 5 December 2003).</p>

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	CFC's Recovery and Recycling equipment and refrigerants identifiers equipment bidding is in progress and pending for approval of technical assessment.
PERU	<p>Reprogramming of activities and Budget of Institutional Strengthening Project to implement Montreal Protocol (inactive from middle 2002 to middle of present year). In this regard, one cash advance request from country was received and it is under UNON's authorization. In spite of that, country is in compliance with Ozone Depleting Substances consumption data reporting and legislation to control imports is in force.</p> <p>National Consultant recruited to prepare Second Phase of Refrigerant Management Plan is under approval by UNON.</p>
SAINT KITTS & NEVIS	<p>One Official mission of the Montreal Protocol Policy and Enforcement Programme Officer of ROLAC to collaborate with the coordination of national activities to implement del Montreal Protocol. Additionally, one technical cooperation country visit from National ozone Officer of Saint Lucia to advice in financial and activities reports under the Institutional Strengthening Project framework.</p> <p>Reprogramming of activities and budget of Institutional Strengthening Project to implement Montreal Protocol (inactive for more than three years). In this regard, one cash advance request from country was received and it is under UNON's authorization. In spite of that, actually country is in compliance with Ozone Depleting Substances consumption data reporting that was pending and has approved the Ozone Depleting Substance Licensing System.</p> <p>Main Meeting of OzonAction English Speaking Caribbean Network carried out in Basseterre city.</p>
SAINT LUCIA	Regular disbursements of Institutional Strengthening Project to implement del Montreal Protocol. Consequently, country is in compliance with Ozone Depleting Substances consumption data reporting, legislation to control imports is in force and has carried out public awareness campaigns.
SAINT VINCENT AND THE GRENADINES	<p>Official mission of the Montreal Protocol Policy and Enforcement Programme Officer of ROLAC to provide support for restarting Montreal Protocol implementation at national level. Furthermore, Regional Director has participated at OECS meeting and made contacts with Permanent Secretary of the Environment to offer support under the Compliance Assistance Programme framework.</p> <p>Reprogramming of activities and budget of Institutional Strengthening Project to implement Montreal Protocol (inactive for more than two years). In this regard, one cash advance request from country was received and it is under UNON's authorization. In spite of that, actually country is in compliance with Ozone Depleting Substances consumption data reporting that was pending and has approved Ozone Depleting Substance Licensing System.</p>
SALVADOR	<p>Disbursements of Institutional Strengthening Project to implement Montreal Protocol regularly done. Consequently, country is in compliance with Ozone Depleting Substances consumption data reporting, legislation to control imports is in force and has carried out public awareness campaigns.</p> <p>Five courses carried out by Ozone Unit of Salvador and 140 Customs Officers trained. Monthly monitoring report of Ozone Depleting Substances comparing data from Customs and imports licenses issues by the Environment Ministry.</p>
SURINAME	<p>Two Official missions of the Montreal Protocol Policy and Enforcement Programme Officer of ROLAC to provide support to start Montreal Protocol implementation at country level and to hold high level meetings explaining the importance to ratify Montreal Protocol Amendments.</p> <p>Memorandum of Understanding signed by UNEP and NIMOS, International consultant hired and regular disbursements done in order to prepare Country Programme.</p> <p>Country Programme sent to 41^a Multilateral Fund Executive Committee Meeting (December 2003) for approval.</p>

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	<p>One NIMOS' Officer and one Custom's Officer trained in Trinidad & Tobago about ODS monitoring and custom codes.</p> <p>Ozone Depleting Substance historical data reporting (according Art.7 of Montreal Protocol) sent to Ozone Secretariat.</p> <p>Follow-up Meeting of the OzonAction English Speaking Caribbean Network carried out in Paramaribo.</p>
TRINIDAD AND TOBAGO	<p>2002 Ozone Depleting Substance data reporting (according Art.7 of Montreal Protocol) sent to Ozone Secretariat.</p>
URUGUAY	<p>250 refrigeration technicians trained in drop-in technologies (CFC-12 by Hydrocarbons) in domestic and commercial refrigeration equipment.</p> <p>Participation of Programme Officer of ROLAC at Ozone Day celebrations in Montevideo.</p>
VENEZUELA	<p>Amendment of the Ozone Depleting Substances Imports licensing System under approval.</p> <p>Memorandum of Understanding to Train Customs Officers signed between UNEP and FONDOIN. 25 high level officers of Customs, FONDOIN and the Ministry of Environment were trained.</p> <p>Participation of Refrigerant Management Plan Programme Officer of ROLAC as lecturer of certain subjects at the first Customs Officers Train of Trainers Workshop</p> <p>Refrigerants identifiers equipment bidding is in progress and pending approval of technical assessment.</p>
PAISES: BAHAMAS BARBADOS JAMAICA GRENADA GUYANA TRINIDAD Y TOBAGO	<p>Memorandum of Understanding signed by UNEP and each country.</p> <p>Country survey completed for Jamaica, Guyana and Trinidad & Tobago</p> <p>Halon Management Training Workshop in order to set up and operate Regional Halons Bank, carried out in Port of Spain, Trinidad. 50 experts trained.</p> <p>Halon 1211 recovery and recycling equipment and 1301 Halon one acquired and delivered to countries that have the Regional Bank facilities: Trinidad & Tobago and Jamaica, respectively.</p> <p>Establishment of a Data Bank and Recycling Centre at the University of the West Indies in St. Augustine, Trinidad and Tobago.</p>