

Montreal, December 17, 1990

Dear Sir,

I have the honour to refer to the offer by the Government of Canada to host the Secretariat of the Interim Multilateral Fund for the Implementation of the Montreal Protocol on Substances that Deplete the Ozone Layer (hereinafter referred to as "The Fund Secretariat") together with the offer to cover any additional costs of locating and operating the Fund Secretariat in Canada, relative to the costs associated with UNEP Headquarters and to adjust these costs on an annual basis.

The Interim Multilateral Fund for the Implementation of the Montreal Protocol on Substances that Deplete the Ozone Layer (hereinafter referred to as "the Multilateral Fund") was established by Decision II/8 of the Parties to the Montreal Protocol at their Second Meeting held in London in June 1990. The Multilateral Fund will be administered by the Executive Director of UNEP in accordance with the United Nations Financial Rules and Regulations. It will be made operative by the Executive Committee from 1 January 1991 for a three-year period or until such time as the Financial Mechanism contemplated by the amendment to Article 10 of the Montreal Protocol is established.

With the present letter, I wish to seek your Government's understanding that the provisions of the Convention on the Privileges and Immunities of the United Nations, adopted by the General Assembly on 13 February 1946, shall be applicable mutatis mutandis to the premises of the Fund Secretariat, its activities in Canada, as well as to members of the Fund Secretariat. It is further understood that, should the United Nations and the Government of Canada deem it necessary, more detailed arrangements may be agreed upon between the United Nations and the Government of Canada at the request of either party.

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