

meet their obligations under the Protocol, was addressed at a meeting of the Parties to the Montreal Protocol in London at the end of June 1990.

The international work on ozone dovetails with the major effort addressing the problem of global climate change. The Intergovernmental Panel on Climate Change (IPCC) will issue its report at the conclusion of its August 27-30 meeting in Sweden, and the Second World Climate Conference will take place from October 27 to November 7 in Geneva. The IPCC report is expected to lead to the development of a framework convention on climate change before or by the time of the 1992 UN Conference on Environment and Development, and to steps that individual governments can take to deal with this problem. Other international work is in progress for the development of conventions on biological diversity (UNEP) and prevention of marine oil spills (IMO).

Consideration of the environment at the Houston Summit is expected to focus on key issues such as the 1992 UN Conference on Environment and Development in Brazil, climate change and the marine environment.

The 1992 UN Conference is expected to develop an international environmental agenda for the 21st century and to reaffirm the link between the environment and development. A successful conference in Brazil, involving developed and developing countries as full partners, will be crucial to the resolution of global environmental issues. Developing countries will be looking for additional resources and transfers of technology to support their environmental adjustment efforts.