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ПРОГРАММА ОРГАНИЗАЦИИ ОБЪЕДИНЕННЫХ НАЦИЙ ПО ОКРУЖАЮЩЕЙ СРЕДЕ

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Dear Heads of National Ozone Units,

In one and a half months, on 16 September, countries around the world will celebrate the 2008 edition of **International Day for the Preservation of the Ozone Layer**, the commemorative United Nations day recognizing the global importance of the Montreal Protocol in protecting human health and the environment.

In about 16 months after 16 September, developing countries must achieve the complete phase out of CFCs, CTC and halons. It is the major milestone in the Montreal Protocol and a great challenge for us all. The support and involvement of the general public is crucial for us to reach and sustain this compliance target.

It is now time for all of us to start organizing the specific events and materials that will motivate and engage both the public and the specific Montreal Protocol stakeholders in our countries to further support the goal of ozone layer protection. We would like to suggest that you start planning information, education and communication activities and materials that are inspiring, entertaining and targeted to your country's compliance objectives and needs.

The theme for this year's Ozone Day will be communicated shortly to all Parties by the Ozone Secretariat. In the meantime, the UNEP DTIE OzonAction Programme is pleased to provide you with the following materials and ideas to support you with your efforts to national Ozone Day activities:

## 1. Education Pack for Secondary Schools:

As requested by many NOUs, two years ago we produced an Education Pack for Primary school children. This year we have produced a new Education Pack for Secondary School students which will be launched during Ozone Day week. The package includes teacher's book, student's book and Ozzy and Zoe Ozone Collection. Teacher's book basic information about ozone layer, ozone depletion and linkages between climate change and ozone layer depletion adjusted to be taught for the secondary school students (13-15 years old). The student's book can be used with the teaching programme or completed in the end of it. The copies of this package will be attached. We are providing the package in English, French and Spanish. The Russian version will be available for the MOP-20. We encourage all of you to request print quality versions if you would like to print more copies in your respective countries. You can also contact the private sector in your country

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and ask them to provide co-financing in printing this package. Moreover, we can also provide you the desktop files for translation into local languages.

## **2. The Ozzy and Zoe Ozone Collection**

This year we have also prepared the Ozzy and Zoe Ozone Collection which includes all the related materials of the global campaign such as video, cartoon books, radio spots and education packs in more than 20 languages. This material will be included in the Education Pack for Secondary Schools and can be used in the class room. The collection will be regularly updated on-line.

## **3. Ozzy Ozone Goes Island Hopping**

The fourth issue of the Ozzy Ozone Defender of our planet comic booklet 'Ozzy Goes Island Hopping' was launched at the OEWG meeting in Bangkok at the beginning of this month. You will be receiving a copy of the booklet with this letter. Should you require desktop publishing files for print and translation purposes, please contact Mugure Ursulet ([mugure.ursulet@unep.fr](mailto:mugure.ursulet@unep.fr)). The booklet is also available for download from the OzonAction website [http://www.unep.fr/ozonaction/information/mmc/lib\\_detail.asp?r=5061](http://www.unep.fr/ozonaction/information/mmc/lib_detail.asp?r=5061).

## **4. HCFC poster**

The next issue of the OzonAction Newsletter will be a Special Issue focused on HCFCs. It will include an HCFC poster insert. Though the Newsletter will be distributed to you in October (one month before the Meeting of the Parties), we will make the poster available to you electronically prior to Ozone Day and you may use it during your public ceremonies or incorporate it into your publications. You can print it for your national use and add your Ministry's logos. We will separately inform you how to obtain the electronic files.

## **5. National newsletter**

Last year, the OzonAction Newsletter was specifically dedicated to the 20<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of the Montreal Protocol 1987- 2007. It highlighted the accomplishments of Montreal Protocol activities in all regions and how Implementing Agencies are working in partnership with bilaterals and developing countries to attain this common goal of ozone layer protection. You may consider doing a similar national Ozone Day newsletter with a similar theme.

## **5. Taking Inspiration from Other National Ozone Units**

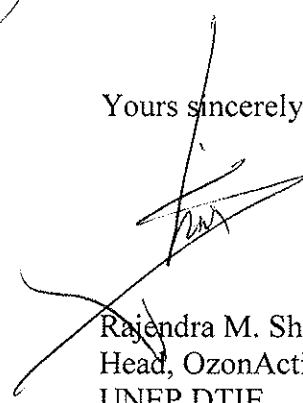
Many countries around the globe also submitted interesting reports on activities that took place during the 20<sup>th</sup> Anniversary; all of which are posted on the OzonAction website [http://www.unep.fr/ozonaction/events/ozoneday/2007\\_events.htm](http://www.unep.fr/ozonaction/events/ozoneday/2007_events.htm). This webpage along with the introductory 20<sup>th</sup> Anniversary webpage <http://www.unep.fr/ozonaction/events/20thanniversary.htm> would provide you with ideas on the kind of activities you can undertake in your country. However, please remember that in order for us to reach people and stir them to action and for them to become ozone friendly, our campaigns should be charged with vigor along with a strong message.

Let us know what your plans are. We urge you to send us your planned activities for this event and also to send us copies of activity reports, publications, speeches from government officials, photos, videos clips, etc. We intend to give wider publicity to your innovative outreach projects through UNEP's website.

If you require assistance in preparation for Ozone Day, please do not hesitate to contact us or contact the Compliance Assistance Programme team in your region.

We look forward to hearing from you. *Best wishes.*

Yours sincerely



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