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DRY AND SUB-HUMID LANDS  
Second meeting  
Montreal, Canada  
23-27 September 2002

### **INFORMATION FOR PARTICIPANTS**

The second meeting of the Ad Hoc Technical Expert Group on Dry and Sub-Humid Lands will be held in Montreal, Canada from Monday, 23 September to Friday, 27 September 2002. The official opening will be at 9 a.m. on 23 September 2002. Registration will take place at the seat of the Secretariat from 8:30 a.m.

#### **Venue**

The meeting will be held on the premises of the **Secretariat of the Convention on Biological Diversity** located downtown:

#### **Secretariat of the Convention on Biological Diversity**

World Trade Center  
393 Saint-Jacques Street  
Montreal, Quebec  
H2Y 1N9 Canada.  
Telephone : + 1 (514) 288-2220  
Fax: + 1 (514) 288-6588

**Access through metro**, line 2 - Orange, station **Square-Victoria**, follow the exit sign  
**“Centre de Commerce Mondial”**

#### **Access to Montreal**

Montreal is serviced by the Dorval airport (15 km from downtown). Taxis are available at the airport and there is a shuttle-bus service every 30 minutes.

#### **Fares:**

<b>Bus / Shuttles:</b>	<b>One way trip</b>	<b>Round trip</b>
Dorval / Downtown	\$ 11.00	\$19.75

#### **Taxis:**

Dorval / Downtown	\$ 28.00 Fixed rate	N.A.
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## **Accommodation in Montreal**

Please find attached an indicative list of hotels (Annex I) located in the vicinity of the Secretariat of the CBD or next to a Metro station (the Montreal Metro/*Subway* is safe). **Further information on hotels in Montreal is available at the following website address: <http://www.tourism-montreal.org>**

## **Time Zone**

Montreal is GMT less 4 hours.

## **Weather**

The weather in Montreal in late September can be variable, ranging from night-time lows of 5°C to daytime highs of 15°C. On occasion, the temperature can reach 25°C. During the month of September, the weather is usually pleasant with a considerable amount of sunshine, but be prepared for showery conditions as well.

## **Voltage**

110 volts, 60 Hertz. Adapters can be purchased for about \$50 Can.

## **Visas / Customs**

Please find attached (Annex II) a list of countries whose citizens require a visa to visit Canada.

## **Documents**

The main pre-session document(s) for the meeting will be dispatched to the participants in due time. The documents will also be accessible at the Secretariat's web page at <[www.biodiv.org](http://www.biodiv.org)>. Delegates are kindly reminded to bring their documents, as they will only be available at the meeting facilities in limited quantities for reasons of economy.

## **Credit Cards**

Major credit cards are accepted in most hotels and restaurants in Montreal.

## **Rate of exchange**

\$1 US = approximately \$1.52 Canadian

\$1 Canadian = approximately \$0.66 US

Attached      Annex I : List of hotels  
                  Annex II: List of countries with visa requirements (in accordance with the list provided by the Government of Canada, on the website of the Canadian Department of Immigration <[www.cic.gc.ca](http://www.cic.gc.ca)>)

## Annex I

### Hotel List

Prices given in Canadian currency are indicative and may be subject to changes and do not include taxes. (GST 7% + QST 7.5 % = 15.03%). Tax refund is possible for non-Canadians; forms can be obtained upon registration.

### **You must make your own reservations.**

**Lord Berri Hotel \*\*\* (formerly Days Inn Vieux Montreal)** 20 minute-walk to the Secretariat  
1199, Berri Street  
Montreal  
Tel. : + 1 (514) 845-9236  
Fax : + 1 (514) 849-9855  
<http://www.lordberri.com/>  
\$89 single, \$ 99 double

**La Tour Centre-Ville \*\*\*** 15 minute-walk to the Secretariat  
400 René-Lévesque Blvd. W.  
Montreal  
Tel. : + 1 (514) 866-8861  
Fax : + 1 (514) 866-7257  
Studios \$66.00, Small suite at \$70.00 for single occupancy, Big suite at \$75.00 for double occupancy + \$12.00 per additional person.

**Travelodge \*\*\*** 20 minute-walk to the Secretariat  
50, René-Lévesque Blvd. W.  
Montreal  
Tel. : + 1 (514) 874-9090  
Fax : + 1 (514) 874-0907  
<http://www.travelodge.com/>  
Rooms at \$79.00, single or double occ., including breakfast

**L'Appartement-in-Montréal \*\*\*** 20 minute-walk to the Secretariat  
455, Sherbrooke W.  
Montreal  
Tel. : + 1 (514) 284-3634  
Fax : + 1 (514) 287-1431  
<http://www.appartementin.com/>  
Studios \$90.00, single or double occ.

**Best Western\*\*\*\*** 20 minute-walk to the Secretariat  
3407 Peel Street (corner of Peel and Sherbrooke Street)  
Montreal  
Tel : 514-288-4141  
Fax : 514-288-3021  
<http://www.hotelvillemarie.com>  
Room at Can\$ 91.00. Please mention United Nations/SCBD when making reservations

**Delta Centre Ville \*\*\*\* (ex-Radisson)**

5 minute-walk to the Secretariat

777 University

Montreal

Tel. : + 1 (514) 879-1370

Fax : + 1 (514) 879-1761

<http://www.deltahotels.com/>

First class hotel

Rooms at \$135.00, single or double occ. Please mention United Nations/ICAO account # 91317 when making reservations.

**Hotel Inter-Continental Montréal \*\*\*\***

Located in the World Trade Centre

360 St-Antoine street West

Indoor access to the Secretariat by corridors

Montreal, Quebec

Canada H2Y 3X4

Tel.: + 1 (514) 847-8525 From North America toll free: 1-800 327-0200/361 3600

Fax: 1 (514) 847-8730

E-mail: [montreal@interconti.com](mailto:montreal@interconti.com) Website: <http://montreal.interconti.com>

Rooms at \$149.00 Please mention ICAO rate when making reservations.

**Holiday Inn Select \*\*\*\* (Chinatown, oriental food available) 10 minute-walk to the Secretariat**

99 Viger West

Montreal

Tel. : + 1 (514) 878-9888

Fax : +1 (514) 878-6341

<http://www.hiselect-yul.com/>

\$149 single or double occ.

**Hôtel Manoir des Alpes \*\*\***

20 minute-walk to the Secretariat

1245, St-André St.

Montreal

Tel. : + 1 (514) 845-9803

Fax : + 1 (514) 845-9886

<http://www.hotelmanoirdesalpes.qc.ca/>

\$75, single

**Hôtel de la Montagne \*\*\*\***

20 minute-walk to the Secretariat and

1430, de la Montagne Street

2 minutes from Metro station

Montréal

Tel. : + 1 (514) 288-5656 + 1(800) 361-6262 toll free in North America

Fax : + 1 (514) 288-9658

<http://www.hoteldelamontagne.com/>

\$165 for single occ.

\$175 for double occ.

**Hôtel Courtyard Marriott Montréal\*\*\*\* (formerly La Citadelle) 15 minute-walk to the Secretariat**

410, Sherbrooke St. W.

Montreal

Tel. : + 1 (514) 844-8851

Fax : + 1 (514) 844-0912

<http://www.courtyard.com/>

\$139, single or double occ.

## Annex II

### VISA REGULATIONS

Citizens of the following countries require a visa to **visit** or **transit** Canada  
(in accordance with the list provided by the Government of Canada).

#### A

Afghanistan  
Albania  
Algeria  
Angola  
Argentina  
Armenia  
Azerbaijan

#### B

Bahrain  
Bangladesh  
Belarus  
Belize  
Benin  
Bhutan  
Bolivia  
Bosnia-Herzegovina  
Brazil  
Bulgaria  
Burkina-Faso  
Burundi

#### C

Cambodia  
Cameroon  
Cape Verde  
Central African Republic  
Chad  
Chile  
China (People's Republic)  
Colombia  
Comoros  
Congo (The), Democratic  
Rep. of)  
Congo (The), People's Rep.  
of)  
Côte d'Ivoire  
Croatia  
Cuba  
Czech Republic

#### D

Djibouti

Dominica  
Dominican Republic

#### E

East Timor  
Ecuador  
Egypt  
El Salvador  
Equatorial Guinea  
Eritrea  
Estonia  
Ethiopia

#### F

Fiji

#### G

Gabon  
Gambia  
Georgia  
Ghana  
Grenada  
Guatemala  
Guinea  
Guinea-Bissau  
Guyana

#### H

Haiti  
Honduras  
Hungary

#### I

India  
Indonesia  
Iran (Islamic Rep. of)  
Iraq  
Israel (only Israeli citizens  
holding valid Israeli orange  
"Travel Document in Lieu  
of National Passport")

#### J

Jamaica  
Jordan

#### K

Kazakhstan  
Kenya  
Korea (Dem. Rep. of)  
Kuwait  
Kyrgyzstan

#### L

Lao (People's Democratic  
Rep.)  
Latvia  
Lebanon  
Lesotho  
Liberia  
Libyan Arab Jamahiriya  
Lithuania

#### M

Macau S.A.R.  
Macedonia (former Yugoslav  
Republic of)  
Malagasy Republic  
Malawi  
Maldives  
Mali  
Marshall Islands  
Mauritania  
Mauritius  
Micronesia (Federated States)  
Moldova  
Mongolia  
Morocco  
Mozambique  
Myanmar (Burma)

#### N

Nauru  
Nepal  
Nicaragua  
Niger  
Nigeria

## O

Oman

## P

Pacific Islands (U.S. Trust  
Territory)

Pakistan

Palau (Rep. of)

Palestinian National Authority

Panama

Paraguay

Peru

Philippines

Poland

## Q

Qatar

## R

Romania

Russian Federation

Rwanda

## S

Sao Tome e Principe

Senegal

Seychelles, The

Sierra Leone

Slovakia

Somalia

South Africa

Sri Lanka

Sudan

Surinam

Syrian Arab Republic

## T

Tadjikistan

Tanzania (United Rep. of)

Thailand

Togo

Tonga

Trinidad & Tobago

Tunisia

Turkey

Turkmenistan

Tuvalu

## U

Uganda

Ukraine

United Arab Emirates

Uruguay

Uzbekistan

## V

Vanuatu

Venezuela

Vietnam

## Y

Yemen

Yugoslavia

## Z

Zambia

Zimbabwe

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