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WORKSHOP ON THE JOINT WORK PROGRAMME ON MARINE AND COASTAL INVASIVE ALIEN SPECIES

Montreal, 27-29 June 2005

### INFORMATION NOTE FOR PARTICIPANTS

# 1. Venue and registration

The workshop on the Joint Work Programme on Marine and Coastal Invasive Alien Species will be held from Monday, 27 June to Wednesday, 29 June 2005. The official opening will be at 9 a.m. on 27 June 2005 in Montreal. Registration will take place at the offices of the Secretariat from 8.30 a.m.

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

413 Saint-Jacques Street Suite 800 Montreal, Qc H2Y 1N9 **Metro access**, line 2 - Orange, station **Square-Victoria, follow the exit sign** 

World Trade Centre / Centre de Commerce Mondial

Telephone: + 1 (514) 288-2220 Fax: + 1 (514) 288-6588

#### 2. General information on access to Montreal

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

#### Fares in Canadian dollars:

| Bus / Shuttles:            | One way trip     | Round trip |
|----------------------------|------------------|------------|
| Montreal-Trudeau /Downtown | \$12             | \$21.75    |
| Taxis:                     |                  |            |
| Montreal-Trudeau /Downtown | \$ 35 Fixed rate | N.A.       |

#### 3. Visa/customs

Participants from countries listed in **Annex A** attached hereto require an entry visa for Canada and are strongly advised to approach the nearest Canadian diplomatic or consular mission in order to secure the required entry visa prior to departure.

Information on visa procedures, including a list of relevant Canadian diplomatic/consular missions abroad, is available on the website of the Canadian Citizenship and Immigration at: http://www.cic.gc.ca/english/offices/index.html.

#### 4. Hotel information

Attached is an indicative list of hotels (**Annex B**) located in the vicinity of the meeting venue building and the CBD Secretariat or next to a Metro (subway) station. Further information on hotels in Montreal is available at:

http://travel.yahoo.com/p-hotel-191501843-montreal hotels-i-sort-pop

Participants are kindly reminded that they have to make their own hotel reservations. To benefit from the special room rates some hotels are offering, please indicate that you will be attending a CBD meeting.

# 5. Official languages in Canada

There are two official languages in Canada: English and French. French is the official language of Quebec, however English is widely spoken in Montreal.

#### 6. Weather and time zone information

In June, daytime temperatures in Montreal range between a maximum of XX to XX C and a minimum of XX to XX° C. The standard time zone will be GMT - 4 hours.

# 7. Electricity

110 volts, 60 Hertz. [Two-pin, flat and vertical and round earth connection].

# 8. Currency

The currency in Canada is the Canadian Dollar (Can\$). The current exchange rate is \$1 US = \$1.23 Canadian.

### 9. Disclaimer

The CBD Secretariat disclaims all responsibility for medical, accident and travel insurance, for compensation for death or disability, for loss of or damage to personal property and for any other loss that may be incurred during travel time or the period of participation. In this context, it is strongly recommended to secure prior to departure international medical insurance for the period of participation.

# Annex A

# COUNTRIES AND TERRITORIES WHOSE CITIZENS REQUIRE VISAS IN ORDER TO ENTER CANADA AS VISITORS

# (In accordance with the website of Citizenship and Immigration Canada)

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| Citizens of the following countries and territories requ | ire a Visa to <b>VISIT</b> or <b>TRANSIT</b> Canada: |
|  | El Salvador  |
| A  | Equatorial Guinea                                    |
| Afghanistan  | Eritrea  |
| Albania  | Estonia  |
| Algeria  | Ethiopia   |
| Angola   | •  |
| Argentina  | $\mathbf{F}$   |
| Armenia  | Fiji   |
| Azerbaijan   | $\mathbf{G}$   |
| В  | Gabon  |
| Bahrain  | Gambia   |
| Bangladesh   | Georgia  |
| Belarus  | Ghana  |
|  |  |
| Belize   | Grenada  |
| Benin  | Guatemala  |
| Bhutan   | Guinea   |
| Bolivia  | Guinea-Bissau  |
| Bosnia-Herzegovina                                       | Guyana   |
| Brazil   | Н  |
| Bulgaria   | Haiti  |
| Burkina Faso   | Honduras   |
| Burundi  | Hungary  |
| C  |  |
| Cambodia   | I  |
| Cameroon   | India  |
| Cape Verde   | Indonesia  |
| Central African Rep.                                     | Iran   |
| Chad   | Iraq   |
| Chile  | Israel (only Israeli citizens holding valid          |
| China  | Israeli "Travel Document in lieu of National         |
|  | Passport")   |
| Colombia   | • ,  |
| Comoros  | J  |
| Congo, Democratic Republic of the                        | Jamaica  |
| Congo, Republic of the                                   | Jordan   |
| Costa Rica   | ***  |
| Côte d'Ivoire  | K  |
| Croatia  | Kazakhstan   |
| Cuba   | Kenya  |
| Czech Republic   | Kiribati   |
| D  | Korea, North   |
| Djibouti   | Kuwait   |
| Dominica   | Kyrgyzstan   |
| Dominican Rep.   | L  |
| Dominican Rep.   | Laos   |
|  | Laos<br>Latvia                                       |
| E  | Lebanon  |
|  |  |
| East Timor   | Lesotho  |
| Ecuador  | Liberia  |

Egypt

Libya Sao Tomé e Principe Lithuania Saudi Arabia Senegal  $\mathbf{M}$ Serbia and Montenegro Macao S.A.R. Seychelles Macedonia Sierra Leone Madagascar Slovakia Malawi Malaysia Somalia Maldives Islands South Africa Mali Sri Lanka Marshall Islands Sudan Mauritania Surinam Mauritius Syria Micronesia, Fed. States T Moldova Tajikistan Mongolia Tanzania Morocco Thailand Mozambique Togo Myanmar (Burma) Tonga N Trinidad and Tobago Nauru Tunisia Nepal Turkey Turkmenistan Nicaragua Niger Tuvalu Nigeria 0 Uganda Oman Ukraine United Arab Emirates P Uruguay Pakistan Uzbekistan Palau Palestinian Authority Vanuatu Panama Paraguay Venezuela Peru Vietnam Philippines Poland Yemen 0 Qatar Zambia R Zimbabwe Romania Russian Federation

Rwanda

## Annex B

Exchange rate: 1 US\$ = 1.23 Canadian \$

### LIST OF HOTELS WITH INDICATIVE ROOM RATES IN CANADIAN DOLLARS

(PRICES DO NOT INCLUDE THE FOLLOWING TAXES: GST 7% + QST 7.5 % = 15.03%. TAX REFUND IS POSSIBLE FOR NON-CANADIANS. PLEASE ASK FOR FORMS AT THE REGISTRATION DESK DURING THE MEETING)

Note: Participants should make their bookings and indicate that they are attending a CBD meeting

|   | Number of rooms | Room rates  | Distance to the meeting venue | Remarks |
|---|-----------------|---|-------------------------------|---------|
| A. FOUR-STAR HOTELS   |                 |   |                               |         |
| 1. Best Western 3407 Peel Street (corner of Peel and Sherbrooke Street) Montreal Tel: 514-288-4141 or toll-free: 1-800-528- 1234 Fax: 514-2883021 http://www.hotelvillemarie.com  | 171             | <ul> <li>Single: \$107</li> <li>Deluxe \$125 deluxe</li> <li>NB. Room rates are inclusive of breakfast</li> </ul> | 20 minutes-walk               |         |
| 2. Delta Centre Ville (ex-Radisson) 777 University Street Montreal Tel.: + 1 (514) 879-1370 Fax: + 1 (514) 879-1761 http:// http://www.deltahotels.com/bg3 First class hotel  | 712             | Single or double occupancy:  • Standard Delta guestroom:  \$144  • Club Signature guestroom  \$169                | Across the street             |         |
| 3. Hotel Inter-Continental Montreal 360 St-Antoine Street West Montreal, Quebec Canada H2Y 3X4 Tel.: + 1 (514) 847-8525 .America toll free: 1-800 327-0200/361 3600 Fax: 1 (514) 847-8730 E-mail: montreal@interconti.com Website: http://montreal.interconti.com | N/A             | Rooms \$159.  | 2 minutes-walk                |         |

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|--|-----------------|---|-------------------------------|------------------------------------|
| 4. Holiday Inn Select 99 Viger Street West Montreal Tel.: + 1 (514) 878-9888 Fax: +1 (514) 878-6341 http://www.hiselect-yul.com/   | N/A             | \$170 standard  | 10 minutes-walk               | Chinatown, oriental food available |
| 5. Hôtel de la Montagne 1430, de la Montagne Street Montréal Tel.: + 1 (514) 288-5656 + 1(800) 361-6262 toll free in North America Fax: + 1 (514) 288-9658 <a href="http://www.hoteldelamontagne.com/">http://www.hoteldelamontagne.com/</a> | N/A             | <ul> <li>Deluxe room: \$155*,</li> <li>Suite \$ 215</li> </ul>  | 20 minutes-walk               | Government taxes not included      |
| 6. Hotel Courtyard Marriott Montreal (formerly La Citadelle) 410, Sherbrooke Street West Montreal Tel.: + 1 (514) 844-8851 Fax: + 1 (514) 844-0912 http://www.courtyard.com/   | 181             | • \$159, single or double occupancy.  | 15 minutes-walk               |                                    |
| 7. Square Phillips (Hotel & Suites) 1193 Place Phillips Montreal H3B 3C9 Tel. + 1 (514) 393 1193 Fax: + 1 (514) 393 1192 www.squarephillips.com  | 160             | <ul> <li>Studios \$99</li> <li>Junior suite 1 DB \$109</li> <li>Junior suite 1 QSB \$118</li> <li>1 DR suite \$128</li> <li>2 DR suite \$161</li> </ul> | 10 minutes-walk               |                                    |

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<sup>\*</sup> Hotel de la Montagne: these rates are not valid for 8 to 13 June and 1 to 10 July periods

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|--|-----------------|--|-------------------------------|--|
| 8. Fairmont The Queen Elizabeth<br>900 Rene Lévesque West<br>Montreal, Qubec H3B 4A5<br>514-954-2273<br>514-954-2258 Fax<br>john.richardson@fairmont.com                                     | 1039            | <ul><li>Fairmont room \$209</li><li>Junior suite \$ 289</li><li>Fairmont gold \$309</li></ul>                  | 5-8 minutes-walk              | Rates are based on single#double occupancy per night & are subject to 7%, 7,5 % & \$ 2 taxes |
| B. THREE-STAR HOTELS   |                 | 1  |                               |  |
| 9. La Tour Centre-Ville<br>400 René-Lévesque Blvd. W.<br>Montreal<br>Tel.: + 1 (514) 866-8861<br>Fax: + 1 (514) 866-7257   | N/A             | Studio:     Single or double \$80 Small suite:     Single or double \$90 Big suite:     Single or double \$100 | 15 minutes-walk               | \$10 per additional person  7% + 7,5 % taxes not included                                    |
| 10. Hotel suites le Faubourg 155 René-Lévesque Est Montréal Tel. + 1 (514) 448 7100 Toll free : 1 800 398 7100 Fax : +1 (514) 448 7101 e-mail : info@hotelfaubourg.com www.hotelfaubourg.com | 161             | \$109  NB. \$15 additional person  | 15 minutes-walk               | Please mention<br>SCBD rate code:<br>SCB-001   |
| 11. Hôtel Manoir des Alpes<br>1245, St-André Street<br>Montreal<br>Tel.: + 1 (514) 845-9803<br>Fax : + 1 (514) 845-9886<br>http://www.hotelmanoirdesalpes.qc.ca/                             | 30              | Rooms \$65, including breakfast  | 20 minutes-walk               |  |

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|--|-----------------|---|-------------------------------|---------|
| 12. Travelodge 50, René-Lévesque Blvd. West Montreal Tel.: + 1 (514) 874-9090 Fax: + 1 (514) 874-0907 E-mail:reserve@travellodgemontreal.ca http://www.travelodge.com/ | N/A             | \$89, including breakfast for single or double occupancy  Nb. Continental buffet included | 20 minutes-walk               |         |
| 13. L'Appartement-in-Montréal<br>455, Sherbrooke Street West<br>Montreal<br>Tel.: + 1 (514) 284-3634<br>Fax: + 1 (514) 287-1431<br>http://www.appartementin.com        | 126             | <ul><li>Single \$140,</li><li>Small suite \$160</li></ul>                                 |                               |         |