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COMPLIANCE COMMITTEE UNDER THE
CARTAGENA PROTOCOL
Third meeting
Kuala Lumpur, 5-7 March 2007

THE COMPLIANCE COMMITTEE DECIDES TO CONDUCT ITS THIRD MEETING IN AN OPEN SESSION

Note by the Chairman of the Committee

Recalling the rules of procedure for the meetings of the Compliance Committee as adopted by the Conference of the Parties serving as the meeting of the Parties to the Protocol at its second meeting under decision BS-II/1,

Recalling, in particular paragraph 1 of Rule 14 of the Rules of Procedure, which requires the Committee to decide on whether it will meet in open or closed sessions,

I would like to inform all those concerned that:

- (a) It is the Committee's intention to have an open session of its upcoming third meeting, which is scheduled to take place in Kuala Lumpur, Malaysia from 5 to 7 March 2007. The meeting will be open for interested observers from Parties, other governments, and relevant international organizations, including non-governmental organizations;
- (b) As the meeting venue has a limited capacity, anyone intending to attend the meeting is requested to inform the Secretariat as soon as possible, but not later than 20 February 2007;
- (c) The open session commences at 10.45 a.m. on Monday, 5 March 2007 in order to allow the Committee meet the first one hour (9:30 a.m. to 10:30 a.m.) in closed session; and
- (d) The Committee's decision to have an open session, including the reasons or the considerations that were taken into account in arriving at such a decision would be reflected in the report of the meeting in accordance with paragraph 1 of rule 14 of the rules of procedure;
