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GROUP OF LEGAL AND TECHNICAL EXPERTS ON LIABILITY AND  
REDRESS IN THE CONTEXT OF ARTICLE 14(2) OF THE CONVENTION  
ON BIOLOGICAL DIVERSITY

First meeting  
12 – 14 October 2005, Montreal

**INFORMATION NOTE FOR PARTICIPANTS**

**1 Venue**

The Experts meeting on Liability and Redress under Article 14 (2) of the Convention will be held in Montreal, Canada from 12 to 14 October 2005 at:

**The International Civil Aviation Organization (ICAO)**

999 University (corner Saint-Antoine or Viger)

Room 5, located on the third level

Montreal, Quebec, Canada

Metro access: line 2 – (orange); Station: Square-Victoria

**2 Registration and identification name badges**

Registration for this meeting will commence on **Wednesday, 12 October from 9 to 9.30 a.m.** in the counter located on level 1 of the ICAO building.

It should be noted that name badges will **only** be handed over upon the presentation of a valid passport or an official identification card with a photograph.

For security reasons, the display of name badges is mandatory for admission to the ICAO building as well as to the meeting room(s) assigned to the Experts meeting. In addition, participants are requested to bring their valid passports and have identification cards with photograph on hand for entry into the ICAO building.

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\* This revision 1 is issued to reflect the change in the name of the “hotel suites le Faubourg” now called “Holiday Inn Express & Suites”

### 3 Documents

Participants are kindly reminded to bring their own copies of the pre-session documents for the meeting, as they will be available at the meeting venue in limited quantities only.

### 4 General information on access to Montreal

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

#### Fares in Canadian dollars:

| <b>Bus / Shuttles:</b> | <b>One way trip</b> | <b>Round trip</b> |
|------------------------|---------------------|-------------------|
| Airport/Downtown       | \$12                | \$22.75           |
| <b>Taxis:</b>          |                     |                   |
| Airport/Downtown       | \$ 35 Fixed rate    | N.A.              |

### 7 Visas

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 Citizenship and Immigration Canada at: <http://www.cic.gc.ca/english/offices/index.html>

### 8 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/underground) station. Further information on hotels in Montreal is available at:

<http://www.travelnow.com/hotels/hotnetlist.jsp?cid=54847&city=Montreal&stateProvince=PQ&country=CA>

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

## **9 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.

## **10 Weather and time zone information**

During the month of October in Montreal, maximum temperatures average 12°C and minimum temperatures average 4°C. Probability of snowfalls is very low.

The time zone will be GMT – 4 hours.

## **12 Electricity**

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

## **13 Currency**

The currency in Canada is the Canadian dollar (CDN\$). The current exchange rate is \$1 US = \$1.18 Canadian.

## **14 Disclaimer**

The CBD Secretariat disclaims all responsibility for medical, accident and travel insurance, for death or disability compensation, 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 international medical insurance for the period of participation prior to departure.

## 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)

Citizens of the following countries and territories require a Visa to **VISIT** or **TRANSIT** in 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 Rep.  
Chad  
Chile  
China  
Colombia  
Comoros  
Congo, Democratic Republic of the  
Congo, Republic of the  
Costa Rica  
Côte d'Ivoire  
Croatia  
Cuba  
Czech Republic

#### **D**

Djibouti  
Dominica  
Dominican Rep.

#### **E**

East Timor

#### **E (cont'd)**

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  
Iraq  
Israel (only Israeli citizens holding valid Israeli  
"Travel Document in lieu of National Passport")

#### **J**

Jamaica  
Jordan

#### **K**

Kazakhstan  
Kenya  
Kiribati  
Korea, North  
Kuwait  
Kyrgyzstan

#### **L**

Laos  
Latvia  
Lebanon  
Lesotho

Ecuador  
Egypt  
El Salvador

**M**

Macao S.A.R.  
Macedonia  
Madagascar  
Malawi  
Malaysia  
Maldives Islands  
Mali  
Marshall Islands  
Mauritania  
Mauritius  
Micronesia, Fed. States  
Moldova  
Mongolia  
Morocco  
Mozambique  
Myanmar (Burma)

**N**

Nauru  
Nepal  
Nicaragua  
Niger  
Nigeria

**O**

Oman

**P**

Pakistan  
Palau  
Palestinian Authority  
Panama  
Paraguay  
Peru  
Philippines  
Poland

**Q**

Qatar

**R**

Romania  
Russian Federation  
Rwanda

**S**

Sao Tomé e Príncipe  
Saudi Arabia  
Senegal  
Serbia and Montenegro  
Seychelles

Liberia  
Libya  
Lithuania

**S (cont'd)**

Sierra Leone  
Slovakia  
Somalia  
South Africa  
Sri Lanka  
Sudan  
Surinam  
Syria

**T**

Tajikistan  
Tanzania  
Thailand  
Togo  
Tonga  
Trinidad and Tobago  
Tunisia  
Turkey  
Turkmenistan  
Tuvalu

**U**

Uganda  
Ukraine  
United Arab Emirates  
Uruguay  
Uzbekistan

**V**

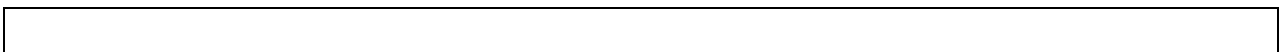
Vanuatu  
Venezuela  
Vietnam

**Y**

Yemen

**Z**

Zambia  
Zimbabwe



## Annex B

| A. FOUR-STAR HOTELS   | Number of rooms | Indicative room rates <sup>†</sup>   | Distance to the meeting venue            | Remarks                               |
|---|-----------------|--|--|---------------------------------------|
| <b>1. Best Western</b><br>3407 Peel Street (corner of Peel and Sherbrooke Street) Montreal<br>Tel: 514-288-4141 or toll-free: 1-800-528-1234<br>Fax: 514-288-3021<br><a href="http://www.hotelvillemarie.com">www.hotelvillemarie.com</a>   | 171             | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Single: \$150</li> </ul>  | 20 minutes walk                          | Room rates are inclusive of breakfast |
| <b>2. Delta Centre Ville</b><br>777 University Street<br>Montreal<br>Tel.: + 1 (514) 879-1370<br>Fax: + 1 (514) 879-1761<br><a href="http://www.deltahotels.com/bg3">www.deltahotels.com/bg3</a><br>First class hotel   | 712             | Single or double occupancy: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Standard Delta guestroom: \$144</li> <li>• Club Signature guestroom: \$169</li> </ul> | Across the street from The ICAO building |                                       |
| <b>3. Hotel Inter-Continental Montreal</b><br>360 St-Antoine Street West<br>Montreal, Quebec<br>Canada H2Y 3X4<br>Tel.: + 1 (514) 847-8525<br>America toll free: 1-800 327-0200/361 3600<br>Fax: 1 (514) 847-8730<br>E-mail: <a href="mailto:montreal@interconti.com">montreal@interconti.com</a><br><a href="http://www.montreal.interconti.com">www.montreal.interconti.com</a> | N/A             | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Rooms \$159.</li> </ul>   | 5 minutes walk                           |                                       |
| <b>4. Holiday Inn Select</b><br>99 Viger Street West<br>Montreal<br>Tel.: + 1 (514) 878-9888<br>Fax: +1 (514) 878-6341<br><a href="http://www.hiselect-yul.com/">www.hiselect-yul.com/</a>  | N/A             | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Single: \$150</li> <li>• Double: \$160</li> </ul>   | 10 minutes walk                          | Chinatown, oriental food available    |

<sup>†</sup> Room rates are subject to change without notice.

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|--|-----|---|-----------------|-------------------------------|
| <p><b>5. Hôtel de la Montagne</b><br/> 1430, de la Montagne Street<br/> Montréal<br/> Tel.: + 1 (514) 288-5656 + 1(800) 361-6262<br/> toll free in North America<br/> Fax : + 1 (514) 288-9658<br/> <a href="http://www.hoteldelamontagne.com/">www.hoteldelamontagne.com/</a></p> | N/A | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Deluxe room: \$155</li> <li>• Suite: \$ 215</li> </ul>   | 20 minutes walk | Government taxes not included |
| <p><b>6. Hotel Courtyard Marriott Montreal (formerly La Citadelle)</b><br/> 410, Sherbrooke Street West<br/> Montreal<br/> Tel.: + 1 (514) 844-8851<br/> Fax: + 1 (514) 844-0912<br/> www.courtyardmontreal.com/</p>   | 181 | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Single or double occupancy: \$143</li> </ul>   | 15 minutes walk | Breakfast not-included        |
| <p><b>7. Square Phillips (Hotel &amp; Suites)</b><br/> 1193 Place Phillips<br/> Montreal H3B 3C9<br/> Tel. + 1 (514) 393 1193<br/> Fax: + 1 (514) 393 1192<br/> <a href="http://www.squarephillips.com">www.squarephillips.com</a></p>   | 160 | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Studios: \$135</li> <li>• Junior suite 1 DB: \$145</li> <li>• Junior suite 1 KSB: \$154</li> <li>• 1 BR suite: \$162</li> <li>• 2 BR suite: \$205</li> </ul> | 10 minutes walk |                               |

| B. THREE-STAR HOTELS (Cont'd)  | Number of rooms | Indicative room rates   | Distance to the meeting venue | Remarks  |
|--|-----------------|---|-------------------------------|--|
| <b>8. Fairmont the Queen Elizabeth</b><br>900 Rene Levesque West<br>Montreal, Qubec H3B 4A5<br>Tel: 514-954-2273<br>Fax: 514-954-2258<br>E-mail: john.richardson@fairmont.com  | 1039            | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <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 |
| <b>9. La Tour Centre-Ville</b><br>400 René-Lévesque Blvd. W.<br>Montreal<br>Tel.: + 1 (514) 866-8861<br>Fax: + 1 (514) 866-7257  | N/A             | <b>Studio:</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Single or double \$80</li> </ul> <b>Small suite:</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Single or double \$90</li> </ul> <b>Big suite:</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Single or double \$100</li> </ul> | 15 minutes walk               | \$10 per additional person                           |
| <b>10. Holiday Inn &amp; Express suites EX<br/>Hotel suites le Faubourg</b><br>155 René-Lévesque Est<br>Montréal<br>Tel.: + 1 (514) 448 7100<br>Toll free: 1 800 398 7100<br>Fax: +1 (514) 448 7101<br>E-mail : <a href="mailto:info@hotelfaubourg.com">info@hotelfaubourg.com</a><br><a href="http://www.hiementreal.com">www.hiementreal.com</a> | 161             | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Single or double occupancy: \$109</li> </ul> <b>N.B.</b> \$15 additional person  | About 10 minutes walk         |  |
| <b>11. Hôtel Manoir des Alpes</b><br>1245, St-André Street<br>Montreal<br>Tel.: + 1 (514) 845-9803<br>Fax: + 1 (514) 845-9886<br><a href="http://www.hotelmanoirdesalpes.qc.ca/">www.hotelmanoirdesalpes.qc.ca/</a>  | 30              | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Rooms: \$65</li> </ul>   | 25 minutes walk               | With breakfast                                       |



| B. THREE-STAR HOTELS (Cont'd)  | Number of rooms | Indicative room rates   | Distance to the meeting venue | Remarks             |
|--|-----------------|---|-------------------------------|---------------------|
| <b>12. Travelodge</b><br>50, René-Lévesque Blvd. West<br>Montreal<br>Tel. : + 1 (514) 874-9090<br>Fax : + 1 (514) 874-0907<br>E-mail :reserve@travellodgemontréal.ca<br><a href="http://www.travelodge.com/">www.travelodge.com/</a> | N/A             | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Single or double occupancy \$89</li> </ul> <b>N.B.</b> Continental buffet included | 20 minutes walk               | Including breakfast |
| <b>13. L'Appartement-in-Montréal</b><br>455, Sherbrooke Street West<br>Montreal<br>Tel.: + 1 (514) 284-3634<br>Fax: + 1 (514) 287-1431<br><a href="http://www.appartementin.com">www.appartementin.com</a>                           | 126             | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Studio: \$114</li> <li>• 1 BR suite: \$128</li> <li>• 2 BR suite: \$179</li> </ul> | 20 minutes walk               | Including breakfast |

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