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INFORMATION NOTE

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I am pleased to inform Parties and Observers to the United Nations Framework Convention on Climate Change and its Kyoto Protocol that the Bureau met on 16 February 2005 in Kyoto, Japan, and, following a report by the secretariat, decided to accept the offer of the Government of Canada to host the eleventh session of the Conference of the Parties (COP 11) and the first session of the Conference of the Parties serving as the meeting of the Parties to the Kyoto Protocol (COP/MOP 1).

The Bureau also agreed to a proposal by the Government of Canada to change the dates for COP 11 and COP/MOP 1, in the light of the availability of the conference facilities. The Bureau agreed that a minor adjustment to the dates would allow the Government of Canada to make the necessary arrangements to host these important sessions.

Consequently, COP 11 and COP/MOP 1 will take place from **28 November to 9 December 2005 in Montréal, Canada** at the Palais des Congrès de Montréal (<http://www.congresmtl.com/>).

The secretariat has initiated discussions with the Government of Canada to conclude a host country agreement on arrangements for the session.

The formal notification, containing the provisional agendas and other details concerning the above-mentioned sessions, will be sent to Parties and Observers in due course.

(Original Signed)

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