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Fifth Session of the Conference of the Parties serving as the Meeting of the Parties to the Kyoto Protocol

Copenhagen, Denmark, 7-18 December 2009

Media Access to Opening of COP15

In view of the high number of participants, access to the opening of COP 15 in plenary 1 on Monday, 7 December, at 10:00 a.m. will be restricted for all participants by means of <u>special access</u> <u>tickets.</u>

TV Cameras and Press Photographers

A restricted pool of 20 TV cameras and 10 press photographers will have access to the plenary. Pool cards will be distributed on Sunday, 6 December following the Technical Briefing by the Media Coordination Team after the curtain raiser press briefing by UNFCCC Executive Secretary Yvo de Boer in press conference room 1 (Auditorium 15). The selection will be based on a fair distribution among TV organizations and press photographers from all parts of the world and from the host country Denmark. It is made on the understanding that the coverage obtained be shared with other broadcasters as requested and approriate.

Members of the pool will be asked to assemble <u>not later than 9:30 a.m.</u> at a location to be specified. They will have the possibility for taking establishing shots of the plenary prior to the opening of the conference, as well as a 2-minute close-up photo opportunity of the podium. Afterwards, TV crews will be asked to leave the room, while press photographers may remain for taking pictures of the speakers under the guidance of an UNFCCC Information Officer.

TV organizations without an access ticket can receive full <u>live coverage</u> of the opening session of COP15 from the host broadcaster in their respective work spaces in the International Broadcasting Centre (IBC), at the overflow facility or portacabin cubicles outside the IBC, as well as in OB vans, edit vans and SNG vehicles parked in the SNG compound. <u>Recorded coverage</u> can be received from the host broadcaster on tape, DVD or memory stick on a commercial basis (see host broadcaster's website at <u>www.cop15hb.dk</u>).

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Print Media

There will be 20 access tickets for print press media who want to follow the opening in the plenary hall. Tickets will be distributed on Sunday, 6 December following the Technical Briefing by the Media Coordination Team after the curtain raiser press briefing by UNFCCC Executive Secretary Yvo de Boer in press conference room 1 (Auditorium 15) on a first-come-first-served basis.

Representatives of the print press media, radio broadcasters and news agencies can follow the opening on CCTV monitors in the Media Centre or in their respective work space in the IBC.

Photos

Photos of the opening session can be downloaded free of cost from the website of the Host Country through <u>www.photos.cop15.dk</u>

Media Coordination

Any enquiries on logistical arrangements in the Media Centre can be addressed to the UNFCCC Media Coordinator, Mr. Axel Wuestenhagen (mobile: +45 507 73434) in the Media Coordination offices.

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