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Reference is made to the obligation of the Russian Federation under the Montreal Protocol to step-wise phasing out of HCFC from import, export, production and consumption. The Ministry of Natural Resources of the Russian Federation is planning to launch a relevant national project to plan the phase-out activities and to establish a sound management system in the country, which includes regulatory, organizational, technological aspects and the phasing out of HCFC and promoting of climate friendly alternatives.

This project falls under priority ODS-SPI, CLIMATE CHANGE-SP6, TECHNOLOGY TRANSFER and we seek the assistance of UNIDO in preparing a project document for this subject and to apply to the GEF for the project's financing using allocations from ODS - \$10 Million, Climate Change – \$7 Million (Russian RAF) and \$3 Million from the Technology Transfer component.

The Ministry considers that the project "Phase out of HCFCs and promotion of HFC-free energy efficient refrigeration and air-conditioning systems in the Russian Federation through technology transfer" corresponds to the priorities of the Russian policy within the field of the implementation of the Montreal Protocol and the reduction of GHG.

Best regards,
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