

Morelia, 28 June 2007

COUNCIL RESOLUTION: 07-07

Closure of the North American Regional Action Plan on dichloro-diphenyl-trichloroethane (DDT)

THE COUNCIL:

RECALLING Council Resolution 95-05 on the Sound Management of Chemicals (SMOC), and the direction of the Council for the development of a North American Regional Action Plan (NARAP) on DDT;

ACKNOWLEDGING national efforts of the Parties in monitoring and eliminating the impacts due to exposure to DDT and its residues;

FURTHER ACKNOWLEDGING the collaborative efforts contributed by the experts of the trilateral DDT Implementation Task Force;

PARTICULARLY NOTING the accelerated elimination of DDT use in Mexico by the year 2000 and the subsequent, successful “Regional Program of Action and Demonstration of Sustainable Alternatives to DDT for Malaria Vector Control in Mexico and Central America” (*Programa Regional de Acción y Demostración de Alternativas Sustentables para el Control de la Malaria sin el Uso del DDT en México y Centro América—PRADDT*), which allowed Mexico’s experiences with DDT phase-out and control of malaria vectors to be shared with the seven Central American countries; and

ALSO NOTING, therefore, that the primary mandate prescribed by the Council respecting DDT, has been fulfilled;

HEREBY:

ACCEPTS the *North American Regional Action Plan on DDT: Status and Closure Report*;

ENCOURAGES the SMOC Working Group, through the Environmental Monitoring and Assessment Standing Committee, to continue sharing information on domestic programs to ensure that the long-term objectives of the NARAP on DDT continue to be met; and

REQUESTS the SMOC Working Group to present a report, by 2010 to the Council, on any further domestic implementation of DDT NARAP action items and on a collaborative analysis of any domestic or international DDT and DDT residues' monitoring and assessment initiatives, which may alert or inform Council on the success of the DDT NARAP.

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