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MONTREAL PROTOCOL ON SUBSTANCES THAT DEPLETE THE OZONE LAYER MONTREAL, 16 SEPTEMBER 1987

UNITED STATES OF AMERICA: COMMUNICATION 1

The Secretary-General of the United Nations, acting in his capacity as depositary, communicates the following:

The above action was effected on 10 May 2019.

(Original: English)

"The United States Mission to the United Nations presents its compliments to the Executive Office of the Secretary-General of the United Nations and refers to the U.N. Secretary-General's depositary notification C.N.94.2019.TREATIES-XXVII.2.a, dated March 19, 2019, regarding the purported accession of the 'State of Palestine' to the Montreal Protocol on Substances that Deplete the Ozone Layer, done at Montreal September 16, 1987 (the Protocol), for which the Secretary-General of the United Nations is the depositary.

The Government of the United States of America does not believe the 'State of Palestine' qualifies as a sovereign State and does not recognize it as such. Accession to the Protocol is limited to sovereign States and regional economic integration organizations. Therefore, the Government of the United States of America believes that the 'State of Palestine' is not qualified to accede to the Protocol and affirms that it will not consider itself to be in a treaty relationship with the 'State of Palestine' under the Protocol."

10 May 2019

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¹ Refer to depositary notification C.N.94.2019.TREATIES-XXVII.2.a of 19 March 2019 (Accession: State of Palestine).