

Corporation Agreement signed to implement “Montreal Protocol on Substances that Deplete the Ozone Layer”

An Agreement has been signed between the Ministry of Environment and Energy and Maldives Customs Service to increase the collaboration between the two parties in implementing the “Montreal Protocol on Substances that Deplete the Ozone Layer”. The Agreement was signed on 18 July 2013 at a special ceremony held at Maldives Customs Building. The Montreal Protocol on Substances that Deplete the Ozone Layer was designed to reduce the production and consumption of ozone depleting substances in order to reduce their abundance in the atmosphere, and thereby protect the earth's fragile ozone Layer.

On behalf of the Ministry of Environment and Energy, Dr. Mariyam Shakeela assigned the Agreement and from the Maldives Customs Service, the Commissioner General Mr. Mohamed Ashwan signed the Agreement.

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Speaking at the ceremony, Minister Dr. Mariyam Shakeela said that, Customs role in environmental preservation is becoming increasingly recognized and implementing environmental conventions cannot be met by the efforts of the environment Ministry alone. Recognizing the important role of Maldives Customs Service in implementing International Conventions by managing and controlling the import of substances that are harmful to the environment, Minister Dr. Shakeela thanked the Maldives Customs Service for the co-operation received during the CFC phase-out. She also noted the the current work being carried out by the Maldives Customs Service in controlling the import of HCFCs and thanked their effort