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Folketingets Energipolitiske Udvalg

Christiansborg, den 15. maj 2007

Til

udvalgets medlemmer og stedfortrædere

Besøg af minister Elliot Morley og delegation fra Det britiske Parlament onsdag den 30. maj 2007 kl. 15.00

Den britiske minister Elliot Morley og en mindre, tværpolitisk delegation fra Det britiske Parlament besøger Danmark den 29. og 30. maj 2007. Delegationen har i den forbindelse ønsket et møde med Det Energipolitiske Udvalg. Der er i forvejen aftalt et møde med Miljø- og Planlægningsudvalget, og tanken er at supplere dette møde med deltagere fra Det Energipolitiske Udvalg.

Mødet finder sted

onsdag den 30. maj 2007 kl. 15-16 i værelse 2-080

Mødet afholdes på engelsk.

Der vedhæftes et baggrundsmateriale om Elliot Morley og om formålet med besøget i Danmark.

Medlemmer, der ønsker at deltage i mødet, bedes **give udvalgssekretæren besked herom senest torsdag den 24. maj 2007 kl. 13** (Jan Rasmussen, lok. 5520, e-mail: jan.rasmussen@ft.dk).

Med venlig hilsen

Jan Rasmussen, Udvalgssekretær.

Baggrundsmateriale om Elliot Morley og om besøget i Danmark

Mr. Morley is keen to meet with Danish parliament members either as a full committee or with individual members who have a special interest in the areas outlined below. Elliot Morley will be visiting Denmark also in his role as President of GLOBE International - Global Legislators for a Balanced Environment. He will be leading a small cross-party delegation, these names still to be confirmed.

Elliot Morley will be interested in discussing:

- The prospects for the G8 Summit in Heiligendamm
- The GLOBE G8+5 event in Berlin in June
- How best to help Denmark achieve a good outcome on the post-2012 negotiations at the COP in 2009
- The possibility of setting up a GLOBE Denmark to act as a regional hub to feed into the GLOBE International climate change dialogue.

Attach a document with further background information on GLOBE and Elliot Morley.

Background on Rt. Hon Elliot Morley MP and the GLOBE G8+5 Legislators' Dialogue on climate change

Rt. Hon Elliot Morley MP is Chair of GLOBE UK, President of GLOBE International and is also the UK Prime Minister's Special Representative to the Gleneagles Dialogue.

In 2006 Mr Morley was appointed by the UK Prime Minister to be his Special Representative to the Gleneagles Dialogue with particular responsibility for Parliamentary Engagement. Since this appointment, Mr Morley has become the Chairman of GLOBE UK and, through this, President of GLOBE International. As President of GLOBE International, Mr Morley chairs the G8+5 Climate Change Dialogue.

Prior to his appointment as the Prime Minister's Special Representative, Mr Morley was the UK Minister of State for Climate Change and the Environment - in total he served 10 years as a minister at the Department of Environment - during which he participated in climate change negotiations at the UNFCCC. Prior to entering politics Mr Morley was a teacher.

GLOBE G8+5 Legislators' Dialogue

The GLOBE G8+5 Climate Change Dialogue was launched on the 24th February 2006 at the House of Commons in the UK. It enjoys broad political, international institution, and private sector support. The strength of the dialogue is that it brings together legislators from the G8 and +5 countries (Brazil, China, India, Mexico and South Africa) with respected international institutions to discuss and agree policies and actions that are both politically and practically robust.

The GLOBE G8+5 Climate Change Dialogue enjoys the support of:

- UK Prime Minister, the Rt. Hon Tony Blair MP
- German Chancellor, Angela Merkel MdB
- US Senators Biden, Bingaman, Boxer, Craig, Kerry, Lieberman and McCain
- European Commission President Manuel Barroso
- The Chinese National Peoples Congress
- The Indian Lok Sabha
- The Japanese Prime Minister's National Secuirty Advisor, Ms Yuriko Koike
- Legislative bodies from across the G8 and +5 countries (Brazil, China, India, Mexico and South Africa).
- The President of the World Bank, Prof Paul Wolfowitz
- Key businesses including Anglo American, American Electric Power, Bayer-AG, BP, Ernst & Young, Holcim, Japan Bank for International Cooperation, Sustainable Forestry Management and Vattenfall.
- Respected International Institutions such as The World Bank, the International Energy Agency, the Pew Centre on Global Climate Change, the Centre for European Policy Studies (CEPS) and others.

The Dialogue is run by GLOBE in partnership with the Com+ Alliance of Communication Networks (www.complusalliance.org) and will directly shadow the G8 Heads of Government process, including the ministerial meetings of the Gleneagles Dialogue, through to the Japanese G8 Summit in 2008.

Dialogue Aim

The Dialogue will draw together senior legislators from the G8, Brazil, China, India, Mexico and South Africa with international business leaders, civil society representatives and opinion leaders to discuss, and agree on, the measures needed to tackle climate change post-2012.

Specifically, the Dialogue aims to present a package of proposals to the G8 Heads of Government in Japan which enjoys the support of legislators from across the G8 and +5 together with business leaders and leading civil society opinion leaders.

Dialogue Objectives

- 1. To provide a forum outside the formal international negotiating structures at the UN for legislators, senior business leaders and other key decision makers to discuss a post-2012 international climate change agreement importantly allowing the representatives from the major non G8 countries of Brazil, China, India, Mexico and South Africa to be represented.
- 2. To create a greater understanding between participating legislators, business leaders and key civil society organisations about different country priorities and identify common ground on which a future political accommodation can be built.
- 3. To allow business leaders to inform and advice legislators on the development and application of new and existing technologies that need to be delivered at scale to markets in G8 and +5 countries.
- 4. To share knowledge, expertise and best practice to identify specific measures to address climate change that legislators can support in their respective parliaments.
- 5. To provide an informal mechanism to engage with a broader constituency of key legislators with a particular focus on fostering greater contact & understanding with the G8 and +5 countries.