

preparatory commission for the comprehensive nuclear-test-ban treaty organization

# Note to Correspondents

16 August 2006

## Media arrangements for the CTBTO scientific symposium "CTBT: Synergies with Science, 1996-2006 and Beyond" Vienna, 31 August– 01 September 2006

The Preparatory Commission for the Comprehensive Nuclear-Test-Ban Treaty Organization (CTBTO) will hold a scientific symposium titled "CTBT: Synergies with Science, 1996-2006 and Beyond" from 2.00 p.m. on 31 August – 01 September 2006 at Hofburg Kongresszentrum, Josefsplatz 3, 1010 Vienna.

The symposium will be opened with addresses by Dr Hans Winkler, State Secretary, Austrian Federal Ministry for Foreign Affairs and Mr. Tibor Tóth, Executive Secretary of the CTBTO Preparatory Commission. The keynote speaker is Dr Mohammed ElBaradei, Director General of the International Atomic Energy Agency. Other guest speakers will include Mr Nobuaki Tanaka, United Nations Under-Secretary-General for Disarmament Affairs and Dr Wolfgang Hoffmann, Executive Secretary Emeritus of the Preparatory Commission.

On 31 August, a CTBTO multimedia show will be presented as part of the symposium's programme. An exhibition titled "Verifying the Comprehensive Nuclear-Test-Ban Treaty" will also be on display.

### Accreditation and Registration

All media wishing to cover the symposium must be accredited. Correspondents already in possession of a valid VIC grounds pass will not need additional accreditation for the symposium.

Accreditation will be granted upon presentation of a letter of assignment from the correspondent's Editor-in-Chief, along with two pieces of photo identification (such as passport, national press credentials, police press pass, driver's licence, etc.). Correspondents are strongly encouraged to obtain accreditation prior to the symposium by submitting a completed accreditation form available from <u>www.ctbto.org</u> or from Media Accreditation, Public Information, CTBTO Preparatory Commission, Vienna International Centre, P.O. Box 1200, A-1400 Vienna, Austria. Tel.: +43-1-26030 6200; Fax: +43-1-26030 5823; E-mail: info@ctbto.org.

The completed form should be faxed, along with a letter of assignment from the correspondent's Editor-in-Chief addressed to the Chief, Public Information, to +43-1-26030 5823. The completed form can also be emailed to <u>christian.evertz@ctbto.org</u> and the letter from the Editor-in-Chief can be presented at the symposium entrance. It is not possible to send an acknowledgement, but journalists may follow up by telephoning +43-1-26030 6200 or contact Mr. Christian Evertz at +43-1-26030 6108 or email christian.evertz@ctbto.org.

Media already accredited with the CTBTO Preparatory Commission are requested to register their interest in covering the scientific symposium in writing to Public Information, CTBTO Preparatory Commission, Vienna International Centre, P.O. Box 1200, A-1400 Vienna, Austria, or by email to christian.evertz@ctbto.org.

#### Entry and screening procedures

Media registration for the symposium will take place at the entrance to the "Redoutensäle" of the Hofburg Kongresszentrum, Josefsplatz, Vienna, from 1:00 p.m. on 31 August. Media representatives will be required to present a valid VIC grounds pass or be issued a symposium press pass at the entrance.

For security reasons, members of the press will be required to wear either their VIC grounds pass or the symposium press pass at all times.

#### Press liaison

For inquiries prior to the symposium please contact CTBTO Public Information at +43-1-26030 6108 or +43-26030 6457. You may also contact CTBTO Public Information by email by writing to christian.evertz@ctbto.org or awoba.bagshaw@ctbto.org.

All inquiries during the symposium are to be referred to the press liaison desk in the Dachfoyer of the Hofburg Kongresszentrum, Vienna, at +43-699-1459 6457.

There will be a possibility to arrange for interviews with participants of the symposium through the press liaison desk.

#### Audiovisual materials and services

On 1 September 2006, the CTBTO multimedia show will be screened in the meeting room in the sphere in the Dachfoyer of the Hofburg Kongresszentrum, Vienna.

The symposium will be live-streamed on the CTBTO public web site.

Photographs will be available for purchase from a commercial photographer who will have a desk in the Dachfoyer of the Hofburg Kongresszentrum, Vienna.