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We express our gratitude for your support to the initiative of the Ministry of Natural Resources and Environment of the Russian Federation and UNIDO on organization of celebration of this event at Moscow educational institutions.

Organization of competition "Protect the Ozone Layer", as part of which the best works dedicated to the preservation of the ozone layer will be awarded in nominations "Video clip and presentation", "Poster", "Holiday or classroom hour scenario, fairy tale, story", "Project and Abstract Works", and holding of workshops on the use of ozone-safe and energy efficient refrigerants will favor increase in environmental awareness in our country and involvement of the young generation in solving environmental problems and tasks.

In conclusion, on behalf of the Ministry of Natural Resources and Environment of the Russian Federation I would like to wish you health, fruitful work and success in teaching.

Deputy Minister of Natural Resources and Environment of the Russian Federation

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Organization of competition "Protect the Ozone Layer" and of international scientific and technical conference "25<sup>th</sup> anniversary of the Montreal Protocol"—as part of which the best works will be awarded in nominations "Scientific research", "Project", "Abstract", "Video clip", "Presentation", "Poster", "Interactive script" and the workshops on the use of ozone-safe energy efficient refrigerants will be held—will undoubtedly favor progress in scientific research as well as youth's involvement in studying and solving environmental problems of our country.

On behalf of the Ministry of Natural Resources and Environment of the Russian Federation, I would like to wish the university continuous improvement in these areas of young specialists and scientists' training, further labor achievements, health, fruitful work in the development of environmental aspects of the national refrigeration science, since in years to come the significance of refrigeration will undoubtedly remain first priority.

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