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### RP to observe 'Ozone Day'

 by [A. Lumaque](#)

Roxas City (8 September) -- The Department of Environment and Natural Resources (DENR) has calendared International Day for the Preservation of the Ozone Layer as among the events to be celebrated this September.

THE International Day for the Preservation of Ozone Layer is celebrated worldwide on Sept 16 of every year with one common objective - to protect human health and environment.

It is also in line with the United Nations for Environmental Program (UNEP) declaration of September as International Month for the Preservation of the Ozone Layer in commemoration of the signing of the Montreal Protocol on Sept. 16, 1987.

The observance of the Ozone Day will highlight the country's commitment to a clean environment and its adherence to the Montreal Protocol on Substances that Deplete the Ozone Layer.

Newly appointed Presidential Adviser on Climate Change and former Senator Heherson T. Alvarez has then pushed the global treaty for ratification in the Senate to phase out the use and manufacture of ozone depleting substances (ODS), such as chlorofluorocarbons (CFCs).

The UNEP is encouraging the countries to devote the Day each year to promote, at the national level, activities in accordance with the objectives of the Montreal Protocol and its amendments. (PIA) [\[top\]](#)

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