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specialist Mike Repacholi told a news conference<sup>5</sup>, there were many cases believed to be unreported in poorer countries. Although people with darker skins were less susceptible to<sup>6</sup> skin cancers, they were just as likely to contract eye cataracts as fairer-skinned populations, and people living close to the equator were even more likely to develop them. As for the protection method, the WHO said that under the school plan, dubbed the Inter sun Project<sup>7</sup>, the two agencies will distribute packages showing teachers how to develop their own sun education programmes, the WHO said. In a joint statement from the two agencies which also marked the International Day for the Preservation of the Ozone Layer, UNEP Executive Director<sup>8</sup> Klaus Toepfer said latest studies showed the protective shield was on the road to<sup>9</sup> recovery. This was the result of international agreements over the past two decades to phase out<sup>10</sup> use of various chemicals like those used in some pesticides, refrigerators and aerosols. “ But we must remain vigilant and more needs to be done before we can say that the problem is solved for good<sup>H</sup> , ” said Toepfer. This included stopping illegal trade in banned chemicals and enforcing the agreements in developing countries. “ Only then can we say that the sky above our heads will be safe for our children and their children to come, ” the former German environment minister said. 词汇 :

protective/protective/adj . 保护的 , 防护的 ozone/5EuzEun,

Eu5z-/n . 臭氧 alert/E5IE:t/向...发出警报 ; 使警觉

depletion/di5pli:FEEn/n . 耗尽(精力或资源等)

complication/7kCmpli5keiF(E)n/ n . 并发症 , 并发症

ultra-violet/5QltrE5vaiElit/adj . 紫外(线)的n . 紫外线  
radiation/7reidi5eiFEn/n.放射 , 辐射 substantial/sEb5stAnFEI/adj.  
重大的 contract/5kCntrAkt/vt . 患(病) ; 感染(恶习等)  
cataract/5kAtErAkt/n.白内障 melanoma/7melE5nEumE/n.黑素瘤  
non-malignant/nJNmalignant/adj恶性的  
malignant/mE5li^nEnt/adj . 恶性的 full-blown/adj . 成熟的  
fairer-skinned/fZE5skind]/adj . 肤色较浅的 equator/i5kweitE/n.  
赤道 dub/dQb/(dubbed ; dubbing)vt . 给.....起外号  
preservation/7prezE(:)5veiFEn/n.保护 shield/Fi:ld/n . 屏 , 障 ; 防  
护物 , 护罩 pesticide/5pestisaid/n . 杀虫剂 , 农药  
aerosol/5ZErEsCl/a . 烟 , 雾 ; 烟雾剂 vigilant/5vidVilEnt/adj .  
警惕的 , 警醒的 enforce/in5fC:s/实施 , 执行 注释 : 1 . United  
Nations(UN) ; 联合国 2.World Health Organization(WHO) : 世  
界卫生组织 UN Environmental Programme(UNEP) : 联合国环  
境规划署 3 . WHO Director-general : 世界卫生组织总干事 4  
 . condition在医学文献中常常用来指 “ 疾病 ” 。 5  
 . a news/press conference : 记者招待会 6 . susceptible to : 对...  
...易感的 , 容易受到.....的 7 . the Inter sun Project : (世界卫  
生组织)保护儿童免受紫外线辐射的规划 8 . UNEP Executive  
Director : 联合国环境规划署执行主任 9 . on the road to : 在去  
.....的旅途中 10 . Phase out : 分阶段(逐步)结束 11 . for  
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