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Item 7 of the Agenda: Requests for International Assistance

Background: In accordance with paragraphs 94-121 of the *Operational Guidelines for the Implementation of the World Heritage Convention*, the Bureau examines and takes decisions concerning requests for international assistance, or makes recommendations to the World Heritage Committee. 7 requests were received by the World Heritage Centre as of 1 May 2001 for preparatory assistance, technical co-operation, and training for financial support over US\$ 20,000 and up to US\$ 30,000. All request titles, amounts requested and recommended for approval by the Bureau are presented within a **Synthesis Table within this document** to facilitate the approval and allocation of funds.

Action by the Bureau: The Bureau is requested to examine all 7 requests and take decisions concerning requests above US\$ 20,000 and up to US\$ 30,000 for preparatory assistance, technical co-operation, and training.

All requests already approved under the 2001 World Heritage Fund International Assistance budget will be available for consultation by the Bureau upon request.

In taking decisions, the Bureau is reminded of the Committee's decisions that **half of the training budget and one third of the technical co-operation budget should be reserved for natural heritage activities.**

The World Heritage Centre is working to improve the format of documents. Please provide any comments and suggestions for further improvements to the Centre in writing.

Synthesis table of all requests presented within this document:

Request Number	Type of heritage	Type of assistance	State Party and Title of activity	Amount requested (US\$)	Amount recommended for approval (US\$)
1	Natural	Technical Co-operation	Indonesia – Strategic Planning for the Conservation and Effective Management of <i>Lorentz National Park</i>	30,000	Pending additional information
2	Natural	Technical Co-operation	Philippines – Community based sustainable tourism in <i>Puerto Princessa Subterranean River National Park</i>	23,000	Pending additional information
3	Cultural	Preparatory Assistance	Indonesia – Preparation of a Tentative List and a Nomination Dossier for potential cultural heritage properties in <i>Bali</i>	30,000	30,000
4	Cultural	Preparatory Assistance	Togo – Preparation of a Nomination Dossier for the <i>Vernacular Settlement of Betammaribé</i>	27,043	27,043
5	Cultural	Technical Co-operation	Mozambique – Preparation of a management & conservation plan for the <i>Island of Mozambique</i>	29,980	29,980
6	Cultural	Technical Co-operation (Submitted as Preparatory Assistance)	Vietnam – Strategic Development of Management Capacities for <i>Hoi An Ancient Town</i>	27,290	27,290
7	Cultural	Training	India – Stakeholders' Workshop for Capacity Building for Sustainable Management of the <i>Darjeeling Himalayan Railway</i> site	30,000	Pending additional information
Subtotal				197,313 requested	Pending additional information

	Number of Preparatory Assistance requests	Number of Technical Co-operation requests	Number of Training requests	Total Number of requests
Natural Heritage	0	2	0	2
Cultural Heritage	2	2	1	5
Total	2	4	1	7

Request Number 1:

Type of heritage: NATURAL **Region:** ASIA
Type of assistance: Technical Co-operation **State Party:** INDONESIA

Status of dues to the World Heritage Fund: All contributions paid.

Title of activity: Strategic Planning for the Conservation and Effective Management of Lorentz National Park, Indonesia

Previous World Heritage Fund contributions:

Preparatory Assistance	1996	US\$ 15,000	Data collection and the preparation of the nomination of Lorentz National Park
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Summary background and description of activity: Lorentz is the largest national park in Indonesia and Southeast Asia, with an area of 2.5 million hectares. 2.35 million hectares of the Park was declared World Heritage in 1999. The Committee recognised potential threats to the site due to copper mining in western areas, and oil exploration in areas outside of the northeastern boundaries of the Park. The Committee requested IUCN to field a mission to the site in 2002 to monitor and report progress achieved since the site's inscription on the World Heritage List.

The site is located in the Western Papua (previously Irian Jaya) Province of Indonesia. Difficult access and fluctuating security conditions constrain working conditions. Presence of staff at the site-level is minimal and infrequent. Mining and oil companies have expressed interests to contribute to conservation. WWF-Indonesia is in the process of negotiating the establishment of an Irian Jaya Trust Fund that will benefit Lorentz and other protected areas in the province. However, short-term needs for strengthening staff at the site-level and soliciting support of local communities remain neglected due to financial constraints of the provincial and the central Governments.

Project plan: The Indonesian Government proposes to convene a series of *in-situ* consultation workshops that begin at the community level and proceed to incorporate the participation of provincial and central Government authorities, international conservation NGOs, mining and oil companies and other interested stakeholders working to conserve Lorentz. The Directorate of Forest Protection and Nature Conservation of Indonesia (PKA) will identify at least one of its staff who will co-operate with UNESCO, WWF and CI (Conservation International) Offices in Jakarta and Jayapura (Irian Jaya) and local and indigenous communities in and around the Park to develop a strategic action plan for review by IUCN during the latter's visit to the site at the end of 2002. As part of the preparation of the plan, urgent measures needed to strengthen basic protection and environmental management of Lorentz and peripheral areas will be identified and instituted. Possibilities for community based protection and environmental management will be given a high priority. The strategic action plan will include components for international co-operation and the establishment of conservation financing mechanisms for the protection of Lorentz.

Expected outputs:

- 3-5 year strategic action plan for the conservation of Lorentz ready before the IUCN mission in 2002;
- Locally based arrangements for basic protection and environmental management operations identified and put in place;
- Establishment and operation of a continuing forum for dialogue between all concerned with the conservation of Lorentz;
- Examination of the feasibility and options for the establishment of long-term conservation financing for Lorentz, and steps towards the establishment and operation of one or more such mechanisms commenced.

	US\$
Total activity budget:	30,000
Contribution from national or other partners:	not indicated
Amount requested from the Fund:	30,000
Budget breakdown:	
a. Travel and allowances for Jakarta/Iriyan Jaya visits for an 18 month period (an estimated 4 trips and a minimum of 2 individuals per trip)	5,000
b. Costs of organising two <i>in-situ</i> consultations with local communities, provincial and local Government authorities, international and national NGOs (US\$ 6,000/workshop)	10,000
c. Organisations of one <i>in-situ</i> national workshop at the site for identifying strategic plan and operational actions for conservation of Lorentz World Heritage area	10,000
d. Production of reports and plans	3,000
e. Communications and miscellaneous expenses	2,000

Comments of the Secretariat: The request did not provide details on the contribution from national or other partners. The World Heritage Centre is seeking additional detailed information concerning the budget and the plan for implementing the project activities. Further information will be presented to the Bureau session at the time of its session.

Comments of the Advisory Bodies: The request will be reviewed by IUCN upon receipt of the additional information requested by the World Heritage Centre, and IUCN comments will be presented to the Bureau at the time of its session.

Action required: The Bureau may wish to examine additional information to be presented at the time of its session and take decisions as appropriate.

Request Number 2:

Type of heritage: NATURAL **Region:** ASIA

Type of assistance: Technical Co-operation **State Party:** PHILIPPINES

Status of dues to the World Heritage Fund: US\$ 194 outstanding for 2000, and US\$ 3,620 outstanding for 2001 (total US\$ 3,814).

Title of activity: Community based sustainable tourism in Puerto Princessa Subterranean River National Park World Heritage site

Previous World Heritage Fund contributions:

Training and Technical Co-operation	1998 - 1999	Approximately US\$ 4,000	Participation at the 2 nd meeting of the Network of Site Managers (Thailand, 1998) and the Kushiro Workshop on multilateral agreements for biodiversity conservation (1999)
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Summary background and description of activity: The site, first nominated as St. Paul Subterranean River Park in 1992 and deferred, was finally inscribed on the World Heritage List in 1999 as Puerto Princessa Subterranean Park composed of an area of approximately 22,000 ha. The proposed activity focuses on two villages (Cabayugan and Tagabinet) and two indigenous communities (Cabayugan and Kayasan Ancestral Domain) within the World Heritage site to build micro-scale sustainable tourism activities. Infrastructure and preparations for strengthening such community-based activities have already been developed during a UNESCO - UNDP Ulugan Bay Coastal Resources

Management Project executed from 1998 to 2000. The project aims to generate and improve community based sustainable tourism (CBST) opportunities and to facilitate “community rangers” and other community based work contributions to enhance and expand the human resource base of the Park.

Project plan: The project builds on conservation and integrated planning achievements of the UNESCO-UNDP Project executed between 1998 and 2000. The latter project has already created the Village Tourism Associations and implemented micro-capital work programmes which provide for planned activities under this project. A principal cost of this project is the hiring of the services of a CBST consultant who will guide the continuation of activities, already started under the UNESCO-UNDP Project and continue to be executed nationally and locally. The final review of the UNESCO-UNDP Project strongly endorsed continuing support to the consultancy services initiated under that Project to enable villagers to further develop activities for tourism and to enhance individual skills and competencies.

Expected outputs:

- Individuals from the villages and the indigenous communities trained in tourism promotion skills to attain tour-guide licensing standards;
- Village Tourism Associations facilitated in the formation of co-operatives and for obtaining funding from small grants programmes;
- Tourism Interpretation Centre for the World Heritage karst system and other features developed in the Ugong Rock formation within the Tagabinet village, near the entrance to the World Heritage site; the Centre will also function as an environmental education center.

	US\$
Total activity budget:	23,000
Contribution from national or other partners:	not indicated
Amount requested from the Fund:	23,000
Budget breakdown:	
<i>a.</i> Field consultancy for CBST	7,000
<i>b.</i> Per-diem and allowances for the consultancy	3,000
<i>c.</i> Advanced training for local and indigenous communities in the World Heritage area	3,000
<i>d.</i> Contribution to the activities of Village Tourism organisations	2,000
<i>e.</i> Contribution to the Ugong Rock Interpretive Centre	4,000
<i>f.</i> Travel costs for project execution	4,000

Comments of the Secretariat: The request did not provide details on the contribution from national or other partners. The World Heritage Centre is seeking additional detailed information concerning the budget and the plan for implementing the project activities. Further information will be presented to the Bureau session at the time of its session.

Comments of the Advisory Bodies: The request will be reviewed by IUCN upon receipt of the additional information requested by the World Heritage Centre, and IUCN comments will be presented to the Bureau at the time of its session.

Action required: The Bureau may wish to examine additional information to be presented at the time of its session and take decisions as appropriate.

Request Number 3:

Type of heritage: CULTURAL **Region:** ASIA
Type of assistance: Preparatory Assistance **State Party:** INDONESIA

Status of dues to the World Heritage Fund: All contributions paid.

Title of activity: Preparation of a Tentative List and a nomination dossier of potential Cultural Heritage properties in Bali

Previous World Heritage Fund contributions: none

Background, Objective & Activity Description: Since becoming a State Party to the World Heritage Convention in 1989, three cultural and three natural properties have been inscribed on the World Heritage List. No Preparatory Assistance has been provided to Indonesia for preparing nominations of potential World Cultural Heritage properties. In view of the complexity of the serial nomination of Bali being envisaged, the Department of Culture and Tourism of Indonesia has requested financial support for engaging international and national experts to:

1. Refine and complete a Tentative List of the cultural heritage sites and cultural landscapes of Bali;
2. Identify and select properties of international importance that could be nominated for the World Heritage List;
3. Determine the statement of significance and the criteria justifying the nomination of the properties;
4. Determine the perimeters of protection, the core and the buffer or support zone;
5. Prepare the nomination of selected properties to the World Heritage List based on the following:
 - a. Review the legal framework for the protection of the properties to be nominated, particularly the national laws and provincial regulations concerning the protection of cultural properties, land-use, forest protection, urban development and building regulations;
 - b. Review the national, provincial and regency administrative system as well as the traditional management system relevant to the protection of these properties;
 - c. Identification of the global statement of significance of this nomination based on the criteria determined under point 3.
6. Produce maps at appropriate scales and aerial photographs of all elements composing the cultural landscape properties of Bali.
7. Produce site-plans of the major monumental complexes to be included within the nomination, and architectural drawings of the principal monuments.
8. Prepare a management plan of the properties to be nominated for World Heritage inscription based on the review of the legal and administrative mechanism and the traditional management system identified under point 5.

Expected outputs: Sound nomination dossier of the cultural properties of Bali to be submitted to the World Heritage Committee with a management plan which can be adapted for use for other World Heritage or potential World Heritage sites in Indonesia.

	US\$
Total activity budget:	58,000
Contribution from national or other partners:	In kind 23,000 & in cash 5,000
National contribution	In kind and
1. Logistic support (travel within Bali of international, national, and local experts) US\$5,000	and
2. Technical support from national, provincial culture and tourism	in cash

departments (in kind)	5,000
3. Organization of meetings with local population of the sites; inter-departmental meetings at provincial, regency and village levels (in kind)	
4. Provision of research material, technical reports (in kind)	
Contribution from Delft University of Technology (The Netherlands) & the Government of France For follow-up activities (discussion of draft nomination dossiers at local and national levels, examination of legal protection implications, urban planning and land-use regulations): (i) Delft University of Technology co-funding for International Consultant (US\$3,000 in-kind) (ii) France-UNESCO Co-operation Agreement funding for an international expert team of 2-3 persons (site planner, architect, cultural landscape management expert) (US\$20,000 in-kind)	In kind 23,000
Amount requested from the Fund:	30,000
Budget breakdown:	
a. International consultant services (1.5 W/M X US\$3,000) for activity 1~3 and for the co-ordination of activity 4~8 Travel expenses-Paris/Bali/Paris (1 RT)	4,500
b. Daily Subsistence Allowance (20 days)	4,500
c. Fees of international consultant team (3 experts~2 W/M X US\$1,333)	8,000
d. National/local consultant for activity 4~8 • jurist for legal review (estimated 1 W/M) 500 • anthropologist for traditional management (2 W/M) 1,000 • cultural resources expert (estimated 2 W/M) 1,000 • site planners/architects (estimated 3 W/M) 1,500 • geographer (estimated 1 W/M) 500	4,500
e. Translation/editing/co-ordinating inputs for the nomination file	2,500
f. Preparation of documents-purchase of aerial photo -satellite image for map production, GIS, reproduction of reports, photos etc.	6,000

Comments of the Advisory Bodies: ICOMOS supports this request for Preparatory Assistance. However, ICOMOS noted that this request concerns only Bali, and that it would be desirable that the Tentative List activity involve other areas within the State Party, to the extent possible.

Comments of the Secretariat: The World Heritage Centre supports this activity as it will enable the national authorities to prepare the Tentative List for Bali and the serial nomination of the cultural landscape of Bali. It is hoped that the preparation of the nomination and elaboration of the site management plan for this complex cluster nomination of Bali could be adapted as a model for heritage management and conservation in Indonesia..

Action by the Bureau: The Bureau may wish to approve this request for US\$ 30,000 .

Request Number 4:

Type of heritage : CULTURAL **Region:** AFRICA

Type of assistance : Preparatory assistance **State Party:** TOGO

Status of dues to the World Heritage Fund : All contributions paid

Title of activity : Preparation of a nomination dossier for the inscription on the World Heritage List of the Vernacular Settlement of Betammaribé

Previous World Heritage Fund contributions:

Preparatory assistance	2000	US\$ 18,085	Preparation of a tentative list of cultural and natural sites
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Background: Following the receipt of the tentative list and a proposal for inscription, this request was established.

Goals : Establish a management plan for the Vernacular Settlement of Betammaribé, set up a Togolese team to formulate management plans for other sites, prepare the nomination dossier of the site before 31 January 2002.

Project plan : The project comprises three phases :

- 1) the first phase (15 days) will be devoted to a site-visit located 500 km from Lomé, to awareness-raising meetings with the local population and to on-site training by a consultant of the Togolese team for the development of a management plan. The team will comprise representatives of the Directorate for Museums, Sites and Monuments, the Tourism Direction, the National Commission for Cultural Heritage, the Association of Friends of Heritage, an historian, an archaeologist, an architect, a local representative, an anthropologist and an audiovisual technician.
- 2) the second phase (12 days) will elaborate the management plan during a seminar attended by the national partners.
- 3) the third phase (8 days) will enable the consultant and some of the members of the Togolese team to finalise the nomination dossier after a further visit to the site and a meeting with the local people.

Expected outputs:

- Togolese team trained in the techniques and development of management plans
- management plan of the site established
- nomination dossier of the site prepared and submitted to the World Heritage Centre

	US\$
Total activity budget :	32,564
Contribution from national or other partners:	5,521
- vehicule rental : 67 x 2 x 22 days	2,948
- light vehicule rental : 67 x 19 days	1,273
- petrol : 0.5 x 200 litres	1,000
- meeting room rental	300
Amount requested from the Fund	27,043
Budget breakdown:	

A) Contribution of Togo authorities		18,064
<i>i) Work at site (awareness-raising, training of local population):</i>		
- per diem Togolese team (35 US\$ x 10 persons x 15 days)	5,250	
- insurance	2,000	
- meeting with the local population	600	
- media reporting expenses	150	
<i>ii) Seminar for the elaboration of a management plan in Lomé :</i>		
- per diem for the team (13 US\$ x 10 persons x 12 days)	1,560	
<i>iii) Completion of the dossier :</i>		
• fees for the team for the completion of the dossier (30 US\$ x 5 persons x 8 days)	1,200	
• secretariat (8 US\$ x 3 persons x 15 days)	360	
• per diem for 2 last site visits (35 US\$ x 5 persons x 10 days)	1,750	
• cartographic work, plans, etc., development and printing of photos and slides, assembly of video elements, compiling and binding of document, dispatch costs for the dossier	1,330	
<i>iv) Equipment :(camera rental, film, slides, video/audio tapes, disquette, teaching materials, photocopy machine)</i>	3,864	
B) Consultant Africa 2009		8,979
- 3 air tickets Paris-Lomé-Paris (670 x 3)	2,010	
- fees (P-4):US\$ 959 x 5 weeks	4,795	
- per diem in Lomé : US\$ 108 x 13 days	1,404	
- per diem in country : US\$ 35 x 22 days	770	

Comments of the Advisory Bodies: ICOMOS, supported the request and expressed its view that this is a very worthwhile project, accompanied by an admirably detailed cost breakdown. Whilst it is directed towards a single potential nomination (the Betammaribé Vernacular Settlement), it will clearly serve as a valuable training session for those likely to be involved in subsequent nominations from the State Party.

ICCROM supports the proposed request as a priority since Togo does not yet have any properties inscribed on the World Heritage List and looks favourably at the participatory process foreseen in the project. However, ICCROM considers that the short amount of time foreseen for the achievement of the project (35 days including travel) will probably lead more to a management framework than a fully realized management plan. With regard to the schedule of activities and according to the new schedule for submissions, ICCROM recommends that the finalization of the dossier foreseen for February 2002 should be pushed up in order to have the nomination in by the end of January.

Comments of the Secretariat: This request corresponds to the goals of the Global Strategy and reflects the commitment of the Togolese authorities who are seeking recognition of their heritage, insufficiently represented on the List, in particular traditional architecture and tangible traces of a living culture. Taking into account the time schedule, it is possible that the nomination dossier will not be completed in time for the 1 February 2002 deadline. If necessary, additional funding will be sought for the finalisation of the management plan.

Action required: The Bureau may wish to approve this request for US\$ 27,043.

Request Number 5:

Type of heritage: CULTURAL

Region: AFRICA

Type of assistance: Technical Co-operation

State Party: MOZAMBIQUE

Status of dues to the World Heritage Fund: US\$ 27 outstanding for 2001.

Title of activity: Preparation of a management/conservation plan for the Island of Mozambique

Previous World Heritage Fund contributions:

Preparatory Assistance	1990	US\$ 15,000	Nomination of the Island of Mozambique
Technical Co-operation	1992	US\$ 2,500	Participation at Urbanism Congress
	1995	US\$ 20,000	Reactive monitoring
	1996	US\$ 19,900	Conservation plan
Promotional Assistance	1998	US\$ 5,000	National Seminar
Emergency Assistance	1994	US\$ 35,000	Nadia cyclone
	1999	US\$ 30,000	Rehabilitation of the market
Subtotal		US\$ 127,400	

Summary background: At its 24th Extraordinary Session in December 2001, the Bureau of the World Heritage Committee examined the state of conservation of the Island of Mozambique and recommended that the State Party take necessary actions for ensuring the legal protection of all monuments, for appointing a site manager, and for preparing a conservation plan involving the local population.

Activity Description & Expected Outputs: The objective of this request is the preparation of a management plan after a resident site-manager is appointed on the Island, who should be trained at the Africa 2009 course in Mombasa from July to September 2001. The site-manager should use the office which has been restored within the framework of a UNDP project which was completed in 1999. A draft legal status dated 16 September 1999 is presently under discussion by the Mozambican authorities, and will be taken into account in the elaboration of the management plan proposed. The plan will:

- i) prepare in consultation with all the stakeholders (Ministry of Culture, Province of Nampula, the City Council of the Island, Representatives of the local communities) based on a rehabilitation and a participatory approach including a comprehensive social and economic programme for the Island;
- ii) take stock of the project proposals prepared within the framework of the above mentioned UNDP project, and allow the local people to be economically productive,;
- iii) improve the infrastructure and stimulate the economic base of the Island to combine conservation and development;
- iv) determine a specific conservation policy following the recommendation adopted by the Bureau at its 24th Extraordinary Session.

Project plan:

Phase I: Appointment of the site manager in the office restored within the framework of the UNDP project (early January 2002), stakeholders meeting (January 2002)

Phase II: Gathering of existing documentation and setting up of a population involvement process (February – March), organization of a ten-day workshop and development of the management plan (April 2002)

Phase III: Implementation of the management plan (May - November), stakeholders' meeting and adoption of the final management plan (December 2002)

		US\$
Total activity budget:		29,980
Contribution from national or other partners:		In kind
Contribution of Mozambican authorities:		
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Participation of Mozambican experts from different Ministries who have already been involved in the preparation of the project proposals submitted to donors at the end of the UNDP project; • Appointment the site-manager and provision of his/her salary; • Maintenance costs of the UNESCO project office; • Organisation and provision of all the documentation available and necessary for the preparation of the management plan including maps and photographs; • Co-ordination and preparation of workshop and stakeholders' meetings. 		
Amount requested from the Fund:		29,980
Budget breakdown:		
A) Expenses at local level by Ministry of Culture: 2 Stakeholders meetings (January 2002 and December 2002 - including travel and per diem from Maputo and Nampula)		14,900
- Maputo (2 travel for 2 persons : 400 \$ x 4)	1,600	
- Nampulo (2 travel for 3 persons) (by car : 150 \$ x 2)	300	
- Per diem (2 times, 3 days, 5 people)(50 \$ x 2 x 3 x 5)	1,500	
- Involvement of local population through cultural events :	500	
- Equipment for Project office (computer, printer, cabinet for files)	5,000	
- Gathering and analysis of data	1,000	
- Organization of workshop in April 2002 (10 days)	5,000	
B) International Consultant (to be provided by team of University of Zimbabwe, in co-operation with the National Museums and Monuments of Zimbabwe) 3 missions of 2 people of 10 days:		15,080
- travels (Harare - Maputo - Island : 1,500 \$ x 3 x 2)	9,000	
- fees : 4 weeks x 861 \$/week	3,444	
- per diem Maputo : 151 \$ x 8 days	1,208	
Island : 68 \$ x 21 days	1,428	

Comments of the Advisory Bodies: The Island of Mozambique has severe management and consultation problems and therefore ICOMOS supports this request. ICOMOS stated that it was reassuring that the proposed activity is linked with the Africa 2009 programme, and also that the international consultancy element will be supplied by Mr Weber Ndoro, former Director of the Great Zimbabwe World Heritage Site. The sum requested was found to be reasonable and acceptable.

In relation to the considerable problems with the state of conservation of this site, ICCROM viewed the proposed activity as a very positive step, considering the fact that the Mozambican authorities are in the process of appointing a resident site-manager for the Island of Mozambique. ICCROM is also aware, however, of other potential initiatives that are being proposed by donor agencies for this site and recommends that these projects be well co-ordinated so that there is no overlap and that resources are used wisely. Finally ICCROM hopes that the stakeholders will be involved throughout the whole process of development and implementation of the plan.

Comments of the Secretariat: The designated site-manager of the island will not participate in the Africa 2009 Mombassa course in 2001. It is therefore recommended that the contractual services of the selected candidate to the Mombassa course be hired by the Ministry of Culture as a national consultant for the preparation of the management plan. It is recommended that this request be approved for an amount of US\$ 29,980 on the condition that the Ministry of Culture increases its contributions to the project by requesting Mr Mussera, who has been selected to be the National Consultant at the Africa 2009 course taking place in 2001, to work in close co-operation with the appointed site-manager.

Action required: The Bureau may wish to approve **US\$ 29,980**, requesting the State Party to consider increasing its national contribution for the proposed activity through the mobilization of the National Consultant who benefits from the Africa 2009 course taking place in 2001.

Request Number 6:

Type of heritage: CULTURAL **Region:** ASIA

Type of assistance: Technical Co-operation **State Party:** VIETNAM
(Submitted as Preparatory Assistance)

Status of dues to the World Heritage Fund: As of 15 May 2001, contributions for 2001 had not been paid.

Title of Activity: Strategic development of management capacity of Hoi An Ancient Town

Previous contributions from the World Heritage Fund for this site:

Preparatory Assistance	1997	US\$ 15,000	Preparation of the Nomination Dossier of Hoi An.
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Background: The principal threats to the Hoi An World Heritage Area (WHA) come from its susceptibility to flooding, encroaching urbanisation, inappropriate tourism development, and activities of tourism organisations wishing to gain a foothold in Hoi An. It was already a notable tourist attraction, but the number of visitors is increasing rapidly following its inscription on the World Heritage List. The day-to-day site management is undertaken by the Hoi An Conservation Centre (HACC), which has developed its technical capacity with assistance from the Showa Women's University in Japan. This has been supported by a successful UNESCO initiative to develop a 'carpentry village' to equip local workers with the skills and techniques necessary to undertake appropriate property renovation. Recently, the QNPPC has established an intermediary body, the World Heritage Conservation Office (WHCO), with a brief to oversee and co-ordinate the management of both Hoi An and My Son.

A new national Heritage Law is expected to be approved by the National Assembly in 2001. This provides a timely opportunity to elaborate a co-ordinated national approach and policy framework for WHA management.

A recent UNESCO workshop held in February 2001: "Conserving the past - An Asian perspective of Authenticity in the Consolidation and Reconstruction of Historic Monuments and Sites" recommended that a set of protocols, in harmony with the Venice Charter and the Nara Declaration, should be developed to guide decision-makers.

In order to address the emerging conflicts between conservation and local area growth, it is vital to address approaches for sustainable development through stakeholder participation of the neighbouring communities of Hoi An. There is a need for effective co-operation and co-ordination to strengthen the links between all the stakeholder agencies responsible for the management of the Hoi An WHA.

Objectives :

- 1) To examine the operational strength of the new National Heritage Law
- 2) To draw up a set of conservation protocols
- 3) Development of a five year developmental plan
- 4) To develop a social ecology framework for bringing together the neighbouring communities for promoting conservation and appropriate use of heritage resources for tourism development

Project plan: The project will be facilitated by UNESCO and implemented by WHCO over a three-

month period (August - October 2001) as follows:

1. Preliminary research and data collection: This will involve collection of essential background material on-site followed by an analysis and desk audit.
2. Intensive capacity building and planning workshops: This activity will include two elements consisting of intensive capacity building workshops: **A.** Stakeholder analysis and **B.** Development of a Five Year Action Plan.
3. Finalisation of the Action Plan (five weeks in Hanoi and on-site)

Anticipated outputs:

1. An analysis of the current management capacity, contextual elements, threats and opportunities relating to heritage conservation in Quang Nam province;
2. An understanding of key issues relevant to WHA management and drafting of a set of development and conservation principles and protocols;
3. An action plan.

		US\$
Total activity budget:		37,890
Contribution from national or other partners:		In kind 9,600
1) Local transportation for international and national team members and participants excluding international flights.		
2) Interpreting and translation services excluding the workshop proper.		
3) Suitable project room based with the WHCO with dedicated telephone (external line), appropriate office furniture and equipment, access to a fax and photocopying facilities.		
4) Cost of provision of IT equipment over and above the contribution allowed for in the project budget.		
5) Charges for local telephone, fax, Internet etc.		
6) Facilitation of accesses to local information and appropriate research assistance.		
7) Site maps and plans.		
8) Arrangements for and facilitation of the workshop and preparatory meeting as well as local consultations.		
Amount requested from the Fund:		28,290
Budget breakdown:		
1. Heritage Conservation Manual	3,000	
2. Workshop co-ordination, National Commission for UNESCO	7,500	
3. Preparatory meeting	1,500	
4. Principal Technical Adviser Fee (International expert 3/M)	7,300	
5. Principal Technical Advisor Per Diem (29 days x US\$ 60)	1,740	
6. Principal Technical Adviser International Travel	1,250	
7. Ministry of culture and information Liaison person (3X\$500/M)	1,500	
8. Resources for the WHCO	1,000	
9. Preparation and Production of final Action Plan in English and Vietnamese	1,500	
10. Consumables	2,000	

Comments of the Secretariat: The World Heritage Centre supports this activity as it will strengthen the co-operation amongst the local and national authorities in Vietnam responsible for the conservation and development of Hoi An World Heritage site and the local communities. The elaboration of a five-year development plan for the World Heritage Conservation Office (WHCO) supporting the preservation of Hoi An can be later utilized as an exemplary model for heritage management in Quang Nam Province and in Viet Nam. The Centre recommends that this request be financed under the Technical Co-operation funds.

Comments of the Advisory Bodies: ICOMOS fully supports this activity as the request is well formulated and the costing is considered to be reasonable. ICOMOS is in full agreement that this request should be treated as a request for Technical Co-operation and not Preparatory Assistance.

Action by the Bureau: The Bureau may wish to approve this request for **US\$ 28,290**, requesting the World Heritage Centre to co-ordinate the implementation of the activity in close collaboration with the State Party and the Regional Advisor for Culture in the Asia-Pacific Region (UNESCO Bangkok Office).

Request Number 7:

Type of heritage: CULTURAL **Region:** ASIA
Type of Assistance: Training **State Party:** INDIA

Title of Activity: Darjeeling Himalayan Railway World Heritage Area Workshop

Previous World Heritage Fund contribution: None

Summary background and description of activity: The Darjeeling Himalayan Railways was a significant engineering feat of the 19th century and served the transport needs of the region. However, time has changed, and it is no longer a necessary requirement. For the continued survival of this Railway, a proper appreciation and sensitization of the heritage perspective by all concerned is considered essential. There are over 100 heritage steam railways operating successfully in the world. These particular Railway models together with other relevant perspectives given as inputs to the employees and those concerned with the Darjeeling Himalayan Railway could help in revitalizing this Railway for better operation, better attraction and a better managed World Heritage site. Therefore it is proposed that a workshop of stakeholders and experts be organized with the following 7 main objectives.

1. Prepare a model for appropriate training: Relevant studies, reports and recommendations such as the workshop on Darjeeling held in December 1997, report of the All-India Institute of Transport & Development in 1999 and operating reports of the Northeast Frontier Railway would be placed together.
2. Benefit from communication and co-operation between stakeholders: The workshop for training will bring together the employees, stakeholder communities, professionals, institutions, agencies, industry, government bodies and politicians in order to learn and understand the role of this heritage in the contemporary society and its future.
3. Identification and Interpretation: The training workshop would examine the history of the DHR, assess and evaluate the heritage, its conserved artifacts, remembered personalities, symbols and associations and how as a heritage commodity it can serve modern demands for the economic, social, cultural and Railway requirements.
4. Create awareness, explain the perspectives and discuss issues: To raise awareness and lay the foundation for a full-scale capacity building and community cultural development programme.
5. Development of an interpretative management strategy: A co-ordinated strategy is needed for the Railways and others to guarantee that the site is not damaged beyond repair and to ensure that it survives for thousands of years.
6. Further development: A final report to UNESCO and all interested parties will also be available to seek support for further capacity building activities as a matter of urgency.

	US\$
Total activity budget:	30,000
Contribution from national or other partners:	Not indicated in cash
1. Contributions of national agency(ies)	
i. Travel of Coordinators and participants by train within India to DHR.	

<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ii. Travel of Coordinators and participants by train on DHR. iii. Arrangements for, and facilitation of, workshops and seminars. iv. Availability of designated staff for the duration of the project. v. Selected staff to be available full-time to form a project team for duration of the project. vi. Facilitation of access to local information, site maps and plans. vii. All expenses towards the preparation of this proposal. viii. Travel expenses, daily allowances and stay of all Indian Railway employees during the training. ix. Administrative expenses for the arrangement and facilitation of the event till the final report. x. Other expenses if any as decided by or approved by the Ministry of Railways. 	
<p>2. Contributions from other bi- and multi-lateral organizations</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Association of participants of various agencies as in item 9(d) above and others will be sought at the cost of their respective institutions as far as possible. • Costs towards Travelling/Daily allowances expected to be borne by the respective participating agencies • Preparations and presentation material done by the participating agencies at their own cost. 	
Amount requested from the Fund:	30,000
Budget breakdown:	
<p>1. Organizational (include cost of conference/seminar, hall, office, Expenses such as photocopies, stationery, secretarial assistance, acoustic and audio-Visual arrangements related to lecture presentations and field exercises):</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> i. Venues Opening/Closing ii. Venue iii. Subsistence of Coordinators/Invitees iv. Subsistence of Participants 	13,000
<p>2. Personnel (include fees paid to international/national consultants, Honoraria paid to resource persons and trainers)</p>	1,000
<p>3. Travel (international travel of specialists/resource persons/trainee participants: local travel related to training activity such as travel to and from field site: fuel and maintenance expenses of government and/or other vehicles used for field exercise):</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> i. Mini Buses on DHR region ii. Cars on hire iii. Collection of information iv. Airfare for item (iii) above 	9,000
<p>4. Publication</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> i. Brochures ii. Invitation cards iii. Folder iv. Daily Newsletter v. Reports 	4,000
<p>5. Miscellaneous (any other items of expenditure)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> i. Contingencies for item 3 (iii) above ii. Air-Travel/Press/Contingencies and other expenses 	3,000

Comments of the Advisory Bodies: ICOMOS found that this is an excellent initiative, following up on its recommendations when the property was inscribed on the World Heritage List. The objectives and programme are set out rationally and would make a significant contribution for enhanced management of the site. Subject, to satisfactory budget information being supplied, ICOMOS strongly supports this application. ICCROM will present its comments at the time of the Bureau.

Comments of the Secretariat: The World Heritage Centre supports this activity and recommends approval, subject to the support by ICOMOS and ICCROM. The Centre, however, recommends that the total budget approved be reduced to US\$ 28,000 and suggests that the costs indicated for invitation cards, daily newsletter, and folders be economized.

<p>Action Required: The Bureau may wish to examine further information at the time of the Bureau and take a decision.</p>
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