

ICOMOS

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Mr. Firouz Bagerzadeh
 Chairman, World Heritage Committee
 UNESCO
 Place Fontenoy
 75007 Paris

Dear Mr. Chairman:

Having reviewed the nominations of cultural properties, duly submitted by States party to the Convention Concerning the Protection of the World Cultural and Natural Heritage, for consideration by the Bureau of the World Heritage Committee, meeting in its first session, for the purpose of inclusion in the World Heritage List, the following have been found (in the opinion of ICOMOS) to meet minimum standards of documentation and therefore (in the opinion of ICOMOS) to be eligible for consideration at this time. They are listed in the order given in documents CC-78/CONF.009/3 and CC-78/CONF.009/3 Add.1.

Canada	°	l'Anse aux Meadows National Historic Park	(4)
Ecuador	°	City of Quito	(2)
Ethiopia	°	Rock Hewn Churches of Lalibela	(18)
		Fasil Ghebbi, Gandar region	(19)
Poland	°	Historic Urban and Architectural Center of Cracow	(29)
		Historic Center of Warsaw	(30)
	°	Auschwitz, concentration camp	(31)
	°	Wieliczka, salt mine	(33)
United States	°	Mesa Verde	

Of the nominations listed above, those marked (°) have been found (in the opinion of ICOMOS) to satisfy the criteria for cultural properties. It is believed that the Fasil Ghebbi, Gondar region, Ethiopia, while plainly of national significance, needs further expert opinion regarding its world importance. There is a question as to whether the Historic Center of Warsaw meets the general rule of authenticity, and it is accordingly believed that further expert opinion is required on this nomination.


Additionally, the following two nominations (in the opinion of ICOMOS) have been found to meet the criteria for cultural properties although they lack the required photographic and cartographic documentation:

Federal Germany	Aachen Cathedral	(3)
Senegal	Island of Gorée	(26)

It is suggested that the two preceding nominations be provisionally recommended, subject to receipt of adequate additional documentation.

The remaining eight nominations of cultural properties, all from Ethiopia, are deficient in terms of documentation.

A separate report on the technical aspects of nominations is being prepared for your consideration. ICOMOS remains ready to assist the World Heritage Committee in every way possible.

Sincerely yours,

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 Secretary General

WORLD HERITAGE LIST (CULTURAL PROPERTY)

ICOMOS TECHNICAL REVIEW NOTES

UNESCO REFERENCE NUMBER: CC/CH/01/7.3/360/972 25

NAME OF PROPERTY FOR LIST (ALSO CATEGORY OF CULTURAL PROPERTY): _____

Ile de Gorée (Group of buildings/Site)

NOMINATED BY (NAME OF COUNTRY): Senegal

DOCUMENTATION:

(A) Maps. Technical Comments: It would be useful if maps included geographical coordinates (given in the body of the nomination text).

(B) Photographs. Technical Comments: Photographs were not submitted and would be most useful.

(C) Bibliography. Technical Comments: Bibliography does not include all dates and places of publications.

Justification for inclusion in WIL. Technical Comments: Nomination should include more specific details linking the nomination to the language of the World Heritage criteria as contained in the Nomination Form. Also, nomination should include comments as to "test of authenticity" as set forth in the Nomination Form.

Other ICOMOS Technical Comments (following WHL Nomination numbers):

- 2. Should include mailing addresses for a., b., c.
- 4b. Mailing address should be provided.
- 4c. It would be useful to include details as to conservation history, if any,
- 4d. Legal means available, if any, for preservation or conservation should be specified.
- 4e. Beyond diagnosis, as set forth under 4a., it would be useful to know whether there now is a management plan for the properties.