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A) IDENTIFICATION

Nomination : Chaco Culture National Historical Park

Location : New Mexico

State Party : United States of America

Date : April 16, 1987

B) ICOMOS RECOMMENDATION

That the proposed cultural property be included on the World Heritage List on the basis of criterion III.

C) JUSTIFICATION

In 1985 ICOMOS expressed a favourable opinion for inclusion of this property on the World Heritage List. However, it regretted that some famous sites, such as the Pueblo Aztec and the very characteristic road network of the Chacoan culture at its apogee (ca. 1020 - ca. 1110) had been excluded from the nomination. Consequently, the Bureau of the World Heritage Committee recommended that the United States government examine the possibilities of extending the proposed zone to assure a broader representation of archaeological evidence of the prehistoric Chacoan culture.

The new proposal received on 16 April 1987 perfectly satisfies these wishes and includes Pierre's site, Halfway House, Twin Angels and Pueblo Aztec -these four sites stretching along the south-north great road beginning at Chaco- and Kin Nizhoni and Casamero -two sites depending on the south road network.

This new nomination better illustrates the specificity of the Chacoan culture and ICOMOS recommends inclusion of this cultural property on the World Heritage List on the basis of criterion III.

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