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REPORT OF THE RAPPORTEUR

I. INTRODUCTION

1. The seventh session of the Bureau of the World Heritage Committee was held at Unesco Headquarters in Paris from 27 to 30 June 1983 and was attended by Prof. Ralph O. Slayter (Australia), Chairman, Prof. Carlos Maria Gelly y Obes (Argentina), Mrs. Magdalena Stantscheva (Bulgaria), Mr. Youssouf Diare (Guinea), Mrs. Licia Vlad Borrelli (Italy), Mr. Mir Abad Hussain (Pakistan), Vice-Chairmen, and Mr. Azedine Beschouch (Tunisia), the Rapporteur. Six other States Members of the Committee were represented by observers. Representatives of the International Council on Monuments and Sites (ICOMOS) and of the International Union for the Conservation of Nature and Natural Resources (IUCN) and of the International Centre for the Study of the Preservation and Restoration of Cultural Property (ICCROM) attended the meeting in an advisory capacity. The full list of participants is to be found in Annex I of this report.

2. Mr. R. O. Slayter, Chairman of the Committee, opened the meeting and gave a welcome address in which he underlined, in particular, the important role of the Committee and the positive evolution of its action in the implementation of the World Heritage Convention.

3. The Bureau then adopted the agenda for the session, with the proposed modification that the study of the nominations of cultural properties to the World Heritage List should follow examination of the budget and the technical co-operation requests.

4. As was foreseen in the agenda, the representative of the Director-General, Mr. Michel Batisse, Deputy Assistant Director-General (Science Sector) reported on the activities undertaken since the sixth session of the Committee. He

particularly noted that, since December 1982, five additional States had ratified or accepted the Convention, bringing the total number of ratifications and acceptations to seventy-four. With regard to technical co-operation he stated that the Secretariat had made all the necessary arrangements to ensure the effective implementation of the requests approved by the Committee under the 1983 budget. He described training activities which had been undertaken in the form of fellowships, seminars and group training. He also called attention to the number of promotional activities which had been launched. As to the financial situation, he drew attention to the discrepancy between the budgetary provisions and the actual receipts, caused by delays in the payment of a certain number of obligatory contributions, as well as the non-payment of an important voluntary contribution. Consequently, the Bureau should examine possibilities for savings in 1983 and foresee a smaller budget for 1984.

5. Before presentation by the competent advisory body of the evaluations pertaining to each nomination, the President of ICOMOS, Mr. Michel Parent, presented the Bureau with a series of methodological and practical considerations, recalling different phases in the implementation of the World Heritage Convention, and underlining the noted development in considering the criteria for properties, in particular the criterion of authenticity, and drawing special attention to the complexity of the approach to historic towns. In view of the importance of these reflections the Bureau decided to submit them for consideration to the Committee at its next session.

## II. NOMINATIONS TO THE WORLD HERITAGE LIST AND TO THE LIST OF WORLD HERITAGE IN DANGER

6. Forty-seven nominations submitted by States Parties were presented to the Bureau, thirty-six of which concerned essentially cultural properties and eleven of which concerned essentially natural properties. Thirty-five properties were recommended to the Committee for inclusion in the World Heritage List; these are listed in section A below. Certain reservations or recommendations were made for some of these nominations. Additional information was considered necessary for other nominations. The information requested from the States Parties should be forwarded to the Secretariat before 30 September 1983, in order to be transmitted on time to the members of the Committee before its seventh session (5-9 December 1983). Examination of the eleven nominations listed in section B below was deferred because their files require revision of additional essential information, or because they are in need of a more thorough examination. Finally, sharing the opinion expressed by ICOMOS, the Bureau recommended to the Committee not to inscribe on the World Heritage List the property listed in section C below.

7. After consideration of the competent advisory body's evaluation of each nomination the Bureau formulated the following preliminary recommendations:

1. that ICOMOS carry out a detailed study for the agents of the World Heritage Convention on the question of "historic towns" and on the problems they present for inscription on the World Heritage List;
2. that, in evaluating the files, particular attention be given to the criteria of authenticity and integrity as well as to juridical protection and to safeguarding or management plans.

8. The Bureau made the following recommendations to the Committee :

A. PROPERTIES RECOMMENDED ON THE WORLD HERITAGE LIST

<u>Name of property</u>	<u>Identifi- cation No.</u>	<u>Contracting State having submitted the nomination of the property in accordance with the Convention</u>	<u>Criteria</u>
<u>Ancient City of Aleppo</u> - on the condition that the authorities  (1) define the area of the historic centre to be protected (intra-mural and buffer zones) and present a map indicating the boundaries of these zones (2) complete the juridical protection by effective urban regulations, and (3) provide the documents pertaining to this protection.	21	Syrian Arab Republic	C (iii)
<u>The Monuments of the Bamiyan Valley</u> - on the condition that the authorities define a large perimeter of protection which would include the cliffs and the valley, and provide a map indicating the delimitation of this zone.	208	Afghanistan	C (ii) (iv)
<u>The Archaeological City of Ai Khanum</u> - on the condition that the authorities provide a safeguarding plan for the structures brought to light by the excavations of 1965-1978, and in particular the earthen wall.	209	Afghanistan	C (ii)(iii) (iv)
<u>São Miguel das Missões</u> It was pointed out that this property belongs to a series of similar properties and that Argentina, on its side, has announced its intention of proposing the Jesuit missions of San Ignacio Mini and Santa Maria la Mayor.	275	Brazil	C (iv)
<u>The Ancient City of Nessebar</u>	217	Bulgaria	C (iii)(iv)

<u>Name of Property</u>	<u>Identifi- cation No.</u>	<u>Contracting State having submitted the nomination of the property in accordance with the Convention</u>	<u>Criteria</u>
<u>Srebarna Reserve</u> The Bureau requests the authorities to provide additional details concerning the buffer zone foreseen in the perimeter of protection.	219	Bulgaria	N (iv)
<u>Pirin</u>	225	Bulgaria	N (i) (ii) (iii)
<u>Wood Buffalo National Park</u> The Bureau calls attention to the harmful consequences that the eventual construction of a dam on the Slave River could have for the integrity of the site, and urges the authorities to inform the Bureau in the event that such a project were planned.	256	Canada	N (ii) (iii) (iv)
<u>Talamanca Range-La Amistad</u> The Bureau expresses the wish that the Panamanian authorities take the initiative of nominating that part of the site included in their territory.	205	Costa Rica	N (i) (ii) (iii) (iv)
<u>Sangay National Park</u>	260	Ecuador	N (ii) (iii) (iv)
<u>The Pilgrimage Church of Wies</u>	271	Federal Republic of Germany	C (i) (iii)
<u>Palais des Papes, old Cathedral of Notre-Dame-des-Doms, Pont Saint-Bénézet and ramparts of Avignon</u> - on the condition that the authorities (1) more coherently define the perimeter of protection (2) foresee the inclusion of Villeneuve-lès-Avignon within this perimeter, and (3) provide a map indicating the delimitations of the chosen zones.	228	France	to be specified

<u>Name of Property</u>	<u>Identifi- cation No.</u>	<u>Contracting State having submitted the nomination of the property in accordance with the Convention</u>	<u>Criteria</u>
<u>Place Stanislas, Place de la Carrière and Place d'Alliance, Nancy</u> It is recommended that the perimeter of protection be extended in accord- ance with the suggestions of ICOMOS	229	France	C (i) (iv)
<u>Church of Saint-Savin-sur-Gartempe</u> It was noted that this property becomes part of the series of important groups of Romanesque mural paintings.	230	France	C (i) (iii)
<u>Classified site of Cape Girolata and and Cape Porto and Scandola Nature Reserve</u>	258	France	N (ii)(iii) (iv)
<u>Khajuraho group of monuments</u> - on the condition that the authori- ties (1) define a large perimeter <u>non aedificandi</u> in order to protect the entire site, including the area containing unexplored temples, and (2) provide a map indicating the delimitation of this perimeter of protection.	240	India	C (i)(iii)
<u>Group of monuments at Hampi</u> - on the condition that the authori- ties (1) provide a map which precisely indicates the delimitation of the zone of protection (2) plan of protection.	241	India	C (i)(iii) (iv)
<u>Ajanta Caves</u> It is recommended that the authori- ties provide further details on the safeguarding measures, especially as concerns the construction on the summit of the cliff.	242	India	C (i) (ii) (iii)(vi)

<u>Name of Property</u>	<u>Identifi- cation No.</u>	<u>Contracting State having submitted the nomination of the property in accordance with the Convention</u>	<u>Criteria</u>
<u>Ellora Caves</u> It is recommended that the authorities establish a protection zone which would safeguard the surrounding landscape and the cliff, and provide a map indicating the delimitation of this zone.	243	India	C (i)(iii) (vi)
<u>Agra Fort</u> It is recommended that the authorities create a buffer zone of protection between the Fort and the Taj Mahal so as to safeguard the landscape and the environment between these two monuments.	251	India	C (iii)
<u>Taj Mahal</u>	252	India	C (i)
<u>Hatra</u> - on the condition that the authorities (1) more precisely define the perimeter of protection and (2) provide a map indicating the delimitation of this perimeter.	277	Iraq	C (vi)
<u>Babylon</u> - on the condition that the authorities (1) more precisely define the perimeter of protection (2) provide a map indicating the delimitation of this perimeter, and (3) provide a safeguarding plan giving details on restoration work in progress or envisaged.	278	Iraq	C (i) (ii) (iii)(vi)
<u>Comoé National Park</u> It is recommended that the authorities strengthen the protective measures and that the zone of protection of the site be extended to include the Mts. Gorowi and Kongoli.	227	Ivory Coast	N (ii) (iv)

<u>Name of Property</u>	<u>Identi- fication No.</u>	<u>Contracting State having submitted the nomination of the property in accordance with the Convention</u>	<u>Criteria</u>
<u>City of Cuzco</u> It is recommended that the zone of protection be extended to the surroundings of the city in order to include the Canchas and the old Inca villages. Once these measures have been taken an addendum to the nomination could be presented.	273	Peru	C (iii)(iv)
<u>Santuario historico de Machu Picchu</u> It is recommended that the zone of protection include the important archaeological sites of the Valley of Urubamba and their landscapes, in accordance with the recommendations of ICOMOS. Once these measures have been taken, an addendum to the nomination could be presented. The Bureau specified that the natural aspects of the site will be evaluated by IUCN.	274	Peru	C (i) (iii)
<u>Central Zone of the town of Angra do Heroismo (Azores)</u>	206	Portugal	C (iv) (vi)
<u>The monastery of the Hieronymites (Lisbon)</u> - on the condition that the "Tower of Belem" be included in this inscription.	263	Portugal	C (iii)(vi)
<u>The Monastery of Batalha</u> The Bureau requests the authorities to state their intentions concerning the project for the re-routing of the highway next to the Monastery.	264	Portugal	C (i) (ii)
<u>The Convent of Christ (Tomar)</u>	265	Portugal	C (i) (vi)

<u>Name of Property</u>	<u>Identifi- cation No.</u>	<u>Contracting State having submitted the nomination of the property in accordance with the Convention</u>	<u>Criteria</u>
<u>Vallée de Mai Nature Reserve</u> - on the condition that the authorities extend the proposed site to include the entire National Park of Praslin or an equivalent protected area.	261	Seychelles	N (i) (ii) (iii) (iv)
<u>The Convent of St. Gall</u>	268	Switzerland	C (ii) (iv)
<u>The Benedictine Convent of St. John at Mustair</u>	269	Switzerland	C (iii)
<u>Great Smoky Mountains National Park</u>	259	United States of America	N (i) (ii) (iii) (iv)
<u>La Fortaleza and San Juan Historic Site (Porto Rico)</u> - on the condition that the authorities (1) extend the envisaged zone of protection (2) provide a map indicating the delimitation of this zone (3) take safeguarding measures to ensure the equilibrium between the historic zone and the modern town and (4) provide the documents relevant to these measures.	266	United States of America	C (vi)

B. NOMINATIONS TO BE DEFERRED

<u>Name of Property</u>	<u>Identifi- cation No.</u>	<u>Contracting State having submitted the nomina- tion of the property in accordance with the Convention</u>
<u>The City and Monuments of Herat</u> The Bureau deferred examination of this nomination until the conclusions of an expert mission, to be sent to the area to report on the state of preservation and the safeguarding conditions of the site, are made available.	207	Afghanistan



<u>Name of Property</u>	<u>Identifi- cation No.</u>	<u>Contracting State having submitted the nomination of the property in accor- dance with the Convention</u>
<u>The Minaret of Jam</u> The Bureau requests the authorities to re-define the limits of the zone of protection and to provide precise information on the present state of conservation of the monument.	211	Afghanistan
<u>Rila Monastery</u> The nomination file should be revised in the light of the ICOMOS recommendations.	216	Bulgaria
<u>Ancient City of Plovdiv</u> The nomination file should be revised and completed by a list of urban and rural ensembles of specific types of Bulgarian architecture.	218	Bulgaria
<u>The Hanseatic City of Lübeck</u> The nomination file should be revised as concerns the perimeter of protection. This property could also be included in a global historical perspective of Hanseatic cities.	272	Federal Republic of Germany
<u>Bia National Park</u> The Bureau requests that the authorities provide a management plan and especially that they state their intentions concerning measures which can be taken to ensure maintaining the integrity of the park and its effective protection.	226	Ghana
<u>Traditional Mosques of Northern Ghana</u> The nomination should be revised in the light of the ICOMOS recommendations.	279	Ghana
<u>Churches and Convents at Goa</u> The nomination should be revised with a view to extending the proposed zone.	234	India

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Ancient Samarra

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Iraq

A revised file should be presented which would precisely indicate the perimeter of protection and which would include a safeguarding plan for the area. The Bureau strongly recommends that a zone non aedificandi be foreseen to afford protection to all of the vestiges of the ancient city, including the pottery kilns.

Sanganeb Atoll

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Sudan

The Bureau requests that the authorities declare this property a "Marine National Park" and provide for its extension towards the south to include the Wingate reef, towards the West to include the fringe reefs which begin at Mersa Waiyai, and towards the North to include the Mersa Darur reef.

The Old City of Berne

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Switzerland

The nomination file should be revised in the light of the ICOMOS recommendations and in view of a more precise delimitation of the perimeter of protection.

C. PROPERTY NOT TO BE CONSIDERED FOR INCLUSION IN THE WORLD HERITAGE LIST

<u>Name of Property</u>	<u>Identifi- cation No.</u>	<u>Contracting State having submitted the nomination of the property in accor- dance with the Convention</u>
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The Church of St. Elizabeth, Marburg

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Federal Republic of  
Germany

9. The Bureau recalled that, at its sixth session in December 1982, the Committee suggested that the Australian Government should propose the Western Tasmania Wilderness National Parks for inclusion in the List of World Heritage in Danger, in view of the intention of the Tasmanian authorities to build a dam in the area, and because of damage being caused by the associated large scale construction works. The Bureau received a statement from Australia which said that legislation had been passed by the Australian Government to prevent the construction of the dam, and that the validity of the legislation was being examined by the High Court of Australia. In view of these circumstances the Australian Government had decided not to request that the property be placed on the List of World Heritage in Danger. The Bureau commended the Australian Government for enacting the necessary protective legislation so rapidly. The Bureau concluded that, regardless of whether the legislation was found to be effective or not, the property should still be placed on the List of World Heritage in Danger. If the dam construction was stopped, it was expected that restoration work would commence immediately and that, as it became effective, the property could be removed from the List of World Heritage in Danger. On the other hand,

if dam construction were continued, it was considered that the Committee would probably wish to assess the threat to the property in terms of the damage to those characteristics on which World Heritage Listing was based. The Secretariat was asked to communicate these views to the Australian authorities with a view to providing up to date information on which the full Committee could take the necessary decisions.

10. The Bureau recalled that, at its sixth session in December 1982, the Committee suggested that the Government of Senegal should propose the Djoudj National Bird Sanctuary for the List of World Heritage in Danger, in view of the threat which water impoundment would have on the characteristics of the natural ecosystems which are essential for the maintenance of the bird population of the area. The Bureau recalled that a preparatory assistance mission to Djoudj had recommended water management procedures which would protect these characteristics and, at the same time, allow for water resource development. The Bureau asked the Secretariat to communicate with the Government of Senegal with a view to proceeding with listing on the List of World Heritage in Danger and to developing urgently a plan of action to protect the property and a timetable for its implementation. The full Committee would then be able to take the necessary decisions.

11. The Bureau received an emergency assistance request from the Government of Zaire for a programme to protect populations of several species of wildlife under threat of extinction in Garamba National Park. The Bureau commended the Government, and also IUCN and the Frankfurt Zoological Society for the co-operative manner in which the plan of action had been prepared. The Bureau approved financial support for the project (see paragraph 19 below) and asked that the Secretariat, in co-operation with IUCN and the Government of Zaire, prepare a nomination for the List of World Heritage in Danger which could be considered by the Committee at its forthcoming session.

### III. STATEMENT OF ACCOUNTS OF THE WORLD HERITAGE FUND AND BUDGET

12. The Secretariat presented to the Bureau the situation of the World Heritage Fund as at 13 May 1983, as well as the state of the budget for the period 1st November 1982 - 13 May 1983.

13. The Bureau expressed grave concern over the situation resulting from delays in payment of obligatory or voluntary contributions. Concerning voluntary contributions, the obligations mentioned in Article 16, paragraph 4 of the Convention were recalled, and the Bureau underlined that in the spirit of the Convention, voluntary contributions were not to be less than what they would have been if the States Parties concerned had opted for payment of obligatory contributions.

14. Taking into account the noted discrepancy between the budgetary provisions and the receipts, due to the non-payment of certain contributions, the Bureau decided that it would be necessary to economize \$ 150,000 on the budget set by the Committee at its sixth session. These savings are to be made on the balance for the following activities :

- preparatory assistance and regional studies ( - \$ 40,000)
- emergency assistance ( - \$ 85,000)
- promotional and information activities ( - \$ 25,000)

15. Concerning the 1984 budget, the Bureau foresaw, at this stage, a working figure not exceeding \$ 500,000 and recommended the following breakdown to the Committee :

a) preparatory assistance and regional studies	\$ 40,000
b) technical co-operation	\$150,000
c) training	\$100,000
d) emergency assistance	\$ 50,000
e) promotional activities and information	\$ 50,000
f) temporary assistance to the Secretariat	\$ 60,000
g) ICOMOS/IUCN advisory services	\$ 50,000

16. In the event of an increase in receipts during the period 13 May 1983 - 31 October 1983, the Bureau recommended that the Committee increase the budgetary provision for the following chapters :

- technical co-operation
- assistance to the Secretariat
- support to ICOMOS and to IUCN

#### IV. TECHNICAL CO-OPERATION REQUESTS

17. The Bureau recalled that, as the deadline of March 1st of the current year had been decided upon by the Committee for the registration of technical co-operation requests, it could not, in principle, examine requests received after that date.

18. Given a foreseeable difficult budgetary situation for 1984, the Bureau, rather than making specific recommendations on the technical cooperation requests, recommended that the Committee reexamine these according to the following guidelines:

- a) total budgetary allocation now proposed for technical co-operation : \$150,000;
- b) priority given to requests for co-operation for:
  - on the one hand, programmes already begun, with priority given to properties in danger

NB : It is recommended that the Secretariat negotiate the budgetary cuts concerned, avoiding interruptions of work already begun or hindering the success of the project.

- on the other hand, new programmes proposed by States Parties which have never participated in technical co-operation activities.

V. REQUESTS FOR EMERGENCY ASSISTANCE

19. The Bureau accorded \$ 40,000 in emergency assistance to the Republic of Zaire to carry out - in collaboration with IUCN, the World Wildlife Fund (WWF) and the Francfort Zoological Garden Society - a project to save the fauna of Garamba National Park (in particular the white rhinoceros population decimated by poaching).

VI. REVISION OF THE OPERATIONAL GUIDELINES FOR THE IMPLEMENTATION OF THE WORLD HERITAGE CONVENTION

20. After a wide exchange of views on the evolution of the implementation of the Convention, the Bureau made the following recommendations to the Committee:

- a) to alter the text of the "Guidelines" Document WHC 2/Revised, October 1980), on p. 10, Art. 35(2)b, by deleting the phrase "to the States Parties to the Convention which are concerned" so that Article 35(2)b reads as follows: "undertakes a professional evaluation of each nomination in terms of the criteria adopted by the Committee and transmits their evaluation to the Secretariat, which in turn transmits it to the members of the Bureau of the Committee";
- b) to modify the text of the "Guidelines for inscription of cultural and natural properties on the List of World Heritage in Danger" (Document prepared by IUCN and ICOMOS and adopted by the Committee at its sixth session, December 1982) only in the light of practical experience gained from their application and on the basis of problems which their application can raise;
- c) to ensure that the procedure for the inclusion of properties in the List of World Heritage in Danger, is applied in accordance with Articles 27 - 34 of the document cited in para. b) above.

21. In regard to the inscription of properties on the List of World Heritage in Danger and, in this context, the notion of assistance, as it appears in Article 11, para. 4 of the Convention of the world cultural and natural heritage, the Bureau recommended that the Committee study ways and means of obtaining a more flexible application of this clause. In this connection, the Bureau recalled, on the one hand, that Australia had proposed to present a document on this question, and on the other hand, that it is desirable to obtain a legal consultation. Finally, the Bureau underlined the unanimously recognized necessity of obtaining the participation of industrialized countries in the implementation of the Convention, which possess financial and technical resources and which would not request aid in the framework of the Convention.

VII. SAFEGUARDING AND MANAGEMENT OF PROPERTIES INSCRIBED ON THE WORLD HERITAGE LIST

22. Although conscious of the present state of the infrastructures in most countries, the Bureau recalled the usefulness of a permanent monitoring system and the necessity of obtaining periodical statements on the condition of properties inscribed on the World Heritage List.

23. ICOMOS recalled that the management of cultural properties presents extremely complex problems, not only of a juridical and financial nature, but aesthetic and ethical ones as well. A separate monitoring system for historic towns should be

envisaged. A standardized form could be prepared only on the basis of periodic reports that States Parties would submit to the Committee. Consequently, concerning the management of cultural properties, the Bureau decided to wait for the different studies which would be carried out under the aegis of ICOMOS. Furthermore, the Bureau recommended that a separate form should be envisaged for individual monuments and for historic ensembles.

24. IUCN recalled that its monitoring centre (for endangered species and protected areas) is already operational at Kew Gardens and at Cambridge in the United Kingdom. IUCN presented the Bureau with the elements of a monitoring system for all of the natural properties on the World Heritage List. Likewise, IUCN indicated its readiness of presenting an initial report on the protection and management of natural properties inscribed on the World Heritage List to the Committee at its seventh session.

#### VIII. REVIEW OF PROMOTIONAL ACTIVITIES

25. Document CLT/83/CONF.021/7 concerning activities for the promotion of the World Heritage Convention was presented to the Bureau by the Secretariat. Activities undertaken since the sixth session of the Committee include a philatelic programme similar to those of UNICEF. This activity could, with no additional cost to the World Heritage Fund, bring in 10% of the total sales profit, meaning earnings which could be evaluated at \$ 100,000 per year. Furthermore, a contract was signed with a Spanish editor specializing in nature photography, INCAFO, for the publication of a series of illustrated volumes on the World Heritage Sites (one volume per year containing approximatively twenty properties per volume). It is agreed that 5% of the income from these sales will be attributed to the World Heritage Fund, and that Unesco will acquire the use of all the photographic material of INCAFO, including a wide selection of good-quality slides, for non-profit making purposes. It was also recalled that a special issue of "Ambio" devoted to World Heritage will be ready in September 1983 and that the periodical "Monumentum" will devote a special issue to the World Heritage Convention in the spring of 1984. The Secretariat then presented a series of proposals concerning promotional activities to be undertaken in the near future, notably INCAFO's plans for publishing weekly booklets based on the illustrated volumes already foreseen - in order to reach a wide audience.

26. The Bureau again underlined the importance of promotional activities at a time when the implementation of the Convention was rapidly developing but was also encountering serious problems as a result of this very development. It was decided to entrust the Secretariat with the task of finding the best possible means for the diffusion of material on the World Heritage sites. In this regard, the Bureau stated that the budgetary allocation for this activity should be used by the Committee essentially for those promotional activities which would produce sure and substantial income for the World Heritage Fund.

#### IX. REPORT OF THE WORLD HERITAGE COMMITTEE TO THE 22nd SESSION OF THE GENERAL CONFERENCE OF UNESCO

27. The Bureau approved Document CLT-83/CONF.021/5.

X. PROVISIONAL AGENDA FOR THE SEVENTH SESSION OF THE WORLD HERITAGE COMMITTEE

28. For the seventh session of the Committee, the Bureau adopted the following provisional agenda :

1. Opening of the session.
2. Adoption of the agenda.
3. Election of Chairman, Vice-Chairmen and Rapporteur.
4. Report on the seventh session of the Bureau of the World Heritage Committee (Paris, 27-30 June 1983).
5. Report of the representative of the Director-General on activities undertaken since the sixth session of the World Heritage Committee.
6. Updated operational guidelines, in particular guidelines for the inscription of cultural and natural properties on the list of World Heritage in Danger.
7. Nominations to the World Heritage List and to the List of the World Heritage in Danger.
8. Statement of accounts of the World Heritage Fund and budget for 1984.
9. Requests for technical cooperation.
10. Protection and management of properties includes in the World Heritage List - guidelines and reporting procedures.
11. Review of promotional activities and development of a World Heritage Information Management System.
12. Other business.
13. Closure of session.

XI. THE OLD CITY OF JERUSALEM AND ITS WALLS

29. Mr. R. O. Slayter, the Chairman of the Committee, informed the Bureau of the contents of a letter which had just been sent to him by the Director-General of ALESCO, Dr. Mohi El-Dine Saber, concerning the 4th Conference of Ministers responsible for cultural affairs in the Arab countries (Algiers, 9-12 May 1983). This congress acclaimed the activities of the World Heritage Committee and hoped that it would continue its action to protect the Old City of Jerusalem and its walls, which is inscribed on the List of World Heritage in Danger.

30. The Secretariat informed the Bureau that the Executive Board of Unesco, by a decision adopted at its 116th session, invited the World Heritage Committee to continue taking action to safeguard the Old City of Jerusalem and its walls, in accordance with the provisions of the World Heritage Convention. The Secretariat will bring this decision to the attention of the Committee at its next session.

XII. OTHER BUSINESS

31. The Bureau gratefully noted the arrangements the Italian authorities were making to hold the 7th session of the Committee in Florence from 5 - 9 December 1983.

32. The Rapporteur, Mr. A. Beschouch, informed the Bureau that ICOMOS celebrated monuments and sites day on 18 April of this year and that the support of the States Parties to the World Heritage Convention is being sought to declare the 18 April of each year as "International Monuments and Sites Day", by the next Unesco General Conference.

33. The Bureau noted, following a proposal from the Rapporteur, that an international meeting on the theme of heritage management (particularly in developing countries) was to be organised in Tunis in January 1984, under the aegis of ICOMOS.



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