Item 5 of the provisional agenda: Tentative lists of cultural and natural properties received since the eleventh session of the World Heritage Committee

1. On 22 December, 1987 the Chairman of the World Heritage Committee, in accordance with a recommendation of the Bureau at its eleventh session, sent a circular letter to those States Parties that had not submitted a tentative list of cultural and natural properties which they consider suitable for inclusion in the World Heritage List, requesting them to draw up and submit a tentative list to the Committee as soon as possible. A copy of this letter, which provided a complete explanation of the purpose of the tentative list mechanism, will be found in Appendix 1.

2. Since the eleventh session of the World Heritage Committee the Secretariat has received tentative lists of cultural properties from Mali, Saudi Arabia and Syria (received on 27 April in Arabic only), bringing to 33 the number of States Parties having submitted such lists (see Appendix 2; the tentative lists submitted by Mali and Saudi Arabia are found in Appendix 3). The tentative list of Syria has to be translated and will therefore be available only during the meeting of the Bureau. The Secretariat has also been informed that States Parties from the Nordic sub-region have jointly discussed a revision of the tentative lists already submitted by them and that they will shortly be submitting the revised lists to the Committee. No tentative lists of natural properties have been received by the Secretariat since the eleventh session of the Committee.
3. The Working Group set up by the Committee at its eleventh session has reviewed the tentative lists received. It has studied the tentative list mechanism with a view to finding ways and means to regulate and rationalize the submission and evaluation of future nominations of cultural properties. When the Bureau considers this item, therefore, it is invited to refer to the Report of the Working Group (document CC-88/CONF.007/2), particularly its recommendations pertaining to the tentative lists.
Sir,

I have the honour to inform you that the Bureau of the World Heritage Committee, at its eleventh session held from 24 to 27 June 1987, adopted a recommendation pertaining to tentative lists of cultural and natural properties suitable for inclusion in the World Heritage List.

You will recall in this connection that Article 11 of the Convention concerning the protection of the world cultural and natural heritage provides that "Every State Party to this Convention shall, in so far as possible, submit to the World Heritage Committee an inventory of property forming part of the cultural and natural heritage, situated in its territory and suitable for inclusion in the list provided for in paragraph 2 of this Article [the World Heritage List]. This inventory, which shall not be considered exhaustive, shall include documentation about the location of the property in question and its significance". The same article stipulates that the Committee shall establish the World Heritage List "on the basis of the inventories submitted by States".

After discussing this provision of the Convention at its third and fourth sessions held in 1979 and 1980, the World Heritage Committee decided that, to enable the Committee to evaluate within the widest possible context the value of each property nominated to the World Heritage List, each State Party would be invited to submit to the Committee a tentative list - which would constitute the "inventory" provided for in Article 11 of the Convention - of cultural and natural properties situated within its territory and which it deems suitable for inclusion in the List. The Committee considered that these lists, which would, as it were, be long-term plans over a period of five to ten years - should enable the Committee to have a better global idea of the form that the World Heritage List would take. The attention of all States Parties was drawn to this decision.

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In 1983 the Committee reiterated its invitation to all States Parties to draw up such lists and requested those which had not already done so to send their list to the Secretariat during the course of 1984. Furthermore, since it was of particular importance that a tentative list should be available when nominations of cultural properties were examined, the Committee decided that nominations of cultural properties would not be examined as from 1985 unless the State Party concerned had submitted a tentative list. At each of its sessions since, the Committee has examined the tentative lists of cultural and natural properties received from States Parties and has drawn attention to their value for the work of the Committee.

At its recent session, the Bureau of the World Heritage Committee noted that so far, of the 96 States Parties to the Convention, 17 had presented tentative lists of cultural and natural properties, to which should be added 9 which had submitted tentative lists of cultural properties only. The Bureau therefore requested me, in my capacity as Chairman of the Committee, to write to all those States Parties which had not submitted their tentative lists asking them to do so as early as possible.

Since your country has not presented to the Committee a tentative list of cultural and natural properties which it considers suitable for inclusion in the World Heritage List, I have the honour to invite you to draw the attention of the competent authorities in your country to this matter, requesting that a tentative list be drawn up and submitted to the Committee as soon as possible.

Tentative lists do not need to be exhaustive; however, they should include, in addition to the name and geographical location of each property, a brief description as well as a brief statement justifying its outstanding universal value in accordance with the criteria established by the Committee, including a comparative assessment of similar properties inside and outside State boundaries. Natural properties should be grouped according to biogeographical areas and cultural properties according to cultural periods or areas.

I should like to remind you that the Committee is ready to provide assistance to States Parties for the drawing up of tentative lists. If your country wishes to avail itself of such assistance, a request should be addressed to the Secretariat of the Committee, i.e. the Division of Cultural Heritage or the Division of Ecological Sciences, Unesco.

The Secretariat of the Committee would be ready to provide you with any further information that you might require concerning the preparation and presentation of the tentative list, or on any other matter relating to the implementation of the Convention.

Accept, Sir, the assurances of my highest consideration.

J.D. Collinson
Chairman
World Heritage Committee
### List of States Parties Having Submitted a Tentative List of the Cultural and/or Natural Properties They Are Considering Nominating for Inclusion in the World Heritage List

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*Switzerland and Lebanon have informed the Secretariat that they have already submitted the nominations which they considered to be of priority and that for the time being they did not intend to submit any new nominations of cultural properties. They would re-examine the question in the future in the light of the development of the World Heritage List.
J'ai l'honneur de vous soumettre :

1) La liste indicative des biens culturels que mon pays a soumise à l'ICOMOS lors du séminaire international tenu à Bamako (Mali) du 26 au 30 Janvier 1987 dans le cadre de la convention du Patrimoine Mondial ;


Dans l'espoir d'une suite favorable, je vous saurai gré des dispositions à prendre.
LISTE INDICATIVE

1) Ville ancienne de Tombouctou
2) " " de Djenné (Djenné-Djeno et Djenné)
3) Les architectures des Falaises de Bandiagara (Pays Dogon).

SUITE EVENTUELLE DE LA LISTE INDICATIVE

4) Ensemble Adrar des Iforhas, vallée du Tilénsi, Es-Souk ;
5) Un ensemble construit autour de la piste transsaharienne de l'or et du sel à caractère archéologique : thegaza, Taoudeni, etc....
6) Un ensemble sur les établissements humains du lac Debo ; villages, mosquées, préhistoire et culture Bozo ;
7) Un ensemble sur les établissements humains de la région de Kangaba, coeur du pays Mandé ;
8) Un ensemble sur les établissements humains de la falaise de Tamboura ; or et orpailleurs du Soudan ;
9) Un ensemble hypogées (archéologie) de la région de Bougouni ;
10) Architectures militaires de la région de Sikasso état de conservation à vérifier
11) La grande Mosquée de Niono (NB : elle n'a pas été soumise à l'ICOMOS).
Kingdom of Saudi Arabia
Ministry of Education
General Department of Antiquities and Museums

List of major cultural properties in the Kingdom of Saudi Arabia

I. Immovable cultural property
A. Ancient and historical cities
1. Ukhdud
2. Mada'in Salih
3. Magha'ir Shu'aib (Al-Bad')
4. Taima'
5. Al-Mabiyat
6. Al-Qaryat (Tabūk)
7. Athra
8. Taj
9. Al-Faw
10. Al-Rubdah
11. Al-Dar'Iyah (historical city)
12. Sadus
13. Al-Dairah district of al-'Ula
14. Dumat Al-Jandal (old town)
15. Khaibar (old town)
B. Religious, civil and defensive architecture

1. Religious architecture

(a) Mosques

Ibrahim Al-Majdi (in Farasa? Island)
Al Al-Suhani (south Dhahran)
Al-Mi'mar (Jeddah)
Al-Hanafi (Jeddah-Mecca road)
Al-Rawdah (Al-Hujum)
Al-Imam Sa'ud Al-Kabir (Al-Hayathim, Kharaj)
Minaret of the Great Mosque in 'Unaizah
Al-Hilaliyah (Al-Qasim)
Dhu-All-Qarnain (Abha)
Abu-'Arish
Al-Bai'ah (Mecca)
Al-Lu'lu'ah (Jedda)
'Ibadi Al-Haddad (Amlaj)
Sulaiman (Ta'if)
Ancient mosque of Tabuk


Mosques of Ta'if (Al-Makra', Al-Sijn, Al-'Addas, Al-Mualim Al-Hududi?, Al-Haram?, Al-Makki)

(b) Mausoleum of Jawan in Safwa

(c) Temples

Mahlab Al-Magha (Al-'Ula)
Rasafih? (Tabuk)
Al-Hilwa (Qaryat)
Al-Hamra' (Taima')
2. **Civil architecture**

(a) **Castles, palaces and houses**

**Castles and palaces**

Al-Masmak (Riyadh)

King Abdul-Aziz (Al-Murabba', Riyadh)

Abdul-Wahab (Darain)

Ibrahim (Hufuf)

Khuzam ("")

Sahud (Al-Mabraz)?

Al-Wazih

Sheikh Muhammad ibn Abd-ul-Wahab (Huraimala')

Mārid (Al-Asyaj)

King Abdul-Aziz (Kharj)

Al-Akhdar (Jeddah)

Imam Sa'ud Al-Kabīr (Al-Bayāthīm, Kharj)

Ibn Mu'ammar (Al-'Uyaynah)

Imam Turki (Al-Hilwah district, Al-Hawta)

Al-Bawāhil (Al-Mudhni'b, Al-Qāsim)

Ghaitan ibn 'Uqbah (Hawdat-Sdair)

Um Jumainah (Al-Dalm, Kharj)

Al-Hāmīdī (Al-Dalm)

Muhammad ibn 'Atīq (Na'jān Kharj)

Mukhairnāq (Al-Suhnah, Al-Dalm)

Abi Al-Fadhā' (Al-Suhnah, Kharj)

Al-Zariyāh Na'am (Kharj)

Al-Sulaimiyah (Kharj)

Imam Sa'ud Al-Kabīr (Al-Zulfa)

Ibn 'Aqīl (Qusaim)

Muhammad ibn Sultan Al-Mudhīn (Athra)

Ra's Al-Ghawl (Abha)
Old emir's palace "Al-Nashmar" (Majran)
Abu Milhah (Abha)?
Al-Hamra' (Al-Mukhwâh)
Al-Thughr (Tibalâh)
Muhammad Sa'id Kadsoh (Tathlîth, Bisheh)
Muhammad ibn 'A'idh Al-'Asiri (Al-Haifah, Tathlîth)
Um 'Aqlah (Um 'Aqlah)
Sa'id ibn Al-'As (Medina)
Rughdan (Ta'if)
Al-'Abidîyah (Mecca)
Ancient site of Al-Naqmi (35 km north-east of Medina)
Al-Hamra' (palace) (Shajwa, Medina)
Ibn Rashid (Ha'il)
Al-Dawla (Ta'if, Wadi Al-Sirhân)
Mamduh ibn 'Ali (Ha'il)
Abu-Jafân (Kharj)
Houses
Al-Sabi'i (Shaqra')
Al-Bassâm ('Unaizah)
Dwellings of Mâwân (Kharj)
Houses of the Adârîsa (Sibya)
Bahazlaqah (Mecca)
Al-Ashraf (Mecca)
Abbâs Quttân (Mecca)
Al-Shaikh Abdullah Al-Sulaimân (Mecca)
Al-Saqqâf (Mecca)
?Sid Al-Shuhada' (Medina) (only a few walls remain)
Hasan Babtain (Yanbu 'Al-Bahr)
Abdullah Al-Sabi'i (shamiyâh, Mecca)
Al-Raqm and Al-Ablan palaces in Taima' (?)
(b) Markets (suq)

The Old Suk in Mecca (Al-Qashashiyah)?

(c) Public baths

Abu-Lawzah baths in Qatif

(d) Dams and pools

Dams

Saisid (Ta'if)
Samallaqi (Ta'if)
Duma (Ta'if)
Wadi Qarn (Ta'if)
Al-Hassan (Jumaid)
Qasr Al-Bint (Khaibar)

Pools

Al-Aqiq (Ta'if)
Pool and salt mines (Ta'if)
Khurabah (Ta'if)
Al-Barikah (Al-'Ula)
Al-'Alawiyah (Al-Zamimah, Ta'if)

(e) Pilgrimage routes

Way-stations of Iraqi pilgrimage route (Darb Zubaidah)
Way-stations of Al-Ma'diyah and Al-Shamiyeh pilgrimage routes

Stations of the Hijaz Railway (Madina-Al-'Ula)

(f) Ports

Dukhan Al-Haqr - old harbour
Al-Hawra' - old harbour
Al-Jar
Yanbu
Rabigh
Al-Surain
'Athar, Mawz Al-Ja'afarah
Al-Qumfudhah - old harbour
Al-Sharjah (Al-Mawsim)

3. Defensive architecture

Forta and citadels

Tarut
Antā'
Tabuk

?Muduh (MUSTARĀH, Medina)
Al-Barika (Al-'Ula)
Al-'Ula
Musā ibn Masīr (Al-'Ula)
Zu'bul (Sakakah)
Manjam Al-Milh (Al-Jīzān)
Dhura (Abha)
Shamsān (Abha)
The Turkish Fort (Fursan)

?Hawan fortifications (Kharj)
Al-Milh (Majma'a)
Ha'il (Barracks)
Al-Sura (village near Tabuk)
Abi-'Arish
Shadha (Abha)
Al-Shi'i
Al-Dawsarīyāh (Jīzān)
Al-Lasa'ki (""
Al-Hafayr ("
Al-Wusta ("
Al-Miṭlā' (""
Al-Burj (Jizan)
Al-'Uthaima' ("")
Yahad (Medina)
Qaba'
Um Al-Silm (Jeddah–Mecca road)
Khulais
'Asmān (fortress of the notables of Mecca)

Fortifications?
Al-Mahazah (Al-Mahiya, Ta'if)
Al-Makrah (Ta'if)
Rajab (Khaybar)
Jiddad Bani Malik (Ta'if)
Al-Qa' (Bani Malik, Ta'if)
Al-Hajjaj ibn Yusuf (Ta'if)
Al-Khayalah (Ta'if)
Al-Khalsah (Ta'if)
Al-Salam (Khaybar)
'Amir (Khaybar)

Towers
Ibn Jawhar (Taima')

Watch-tower of the Bani 'Atiyah (Taima')
Tawīl (Taima')
Sa'id (Taima')
Al-'Aqir
Rabigh
Thadij (Qasim)
Al-Dilm (Kharaj)
Na'am
Al-Shananah (Qasim)
Wama' (Dharma')
Al-Khubara' (Qasim)
Zabegh
Rainah (Al-Thaghr district, Ta'if)
Walls
Al-Sulaimiyah (Kharj)
Manfuhah (Riyadh) - walls and towers
Al-Dilm (Kharj)
Na'äm (Kharj)
Ancient walls (Taima')

4. Archaeological sites

Al-Ashuli (Bīr Safaqah, Al-Dawadmi) Stone Age
Sidriyah (Al-Dawadmi) Early Islamic period
Ancient mines (Ghurabah, Ta'if). Early Islamic period
Stone quarries (Qurayyah)?
Al-Thamamah settlement (north of Riyadh)
Stone quarries (Bīr Hamsa, north of Najrān)
  "  " (Jebbah in the north)
  "  " (Al-Hanakiyah)
Sites north of Wadi Al-Dawapsir (Medinat Al-Khamasīn)

?Mada'in bl-Da'amiyah (Kharj). Pre-Islamic period. (Groups of stone pillars?)

?Mada'in Al-Nimas. Early Islamic period
Ruins of ancient 'Asham
  "  " 'Asda'
Al-Sharjah (south of Jaizān)
Suha (south of Jaizān on the coast)
'Uthr (north of Jaizān on the coast)
Al-'Ablā' mines (Tabālah)
Neolithic settlement (near Qal'at Al-Mu'adham)
?Nuqul al-Mada'in (Dhahran)
Zubaidah (Qasīm)
Al-Sarīn (on the coast). Islamic period
Stone quarries (Al-Fāih, north of Abha)
Palaeolithic sites (Al-Shwayhatiyah)
?Al-Mada'in (Dumat Al-Jandal). Roman-Nabataean period

II. Movable cultural property

1. Archaeological and ethnographic objects on display in the National Museum in Riyadh.

2. Objects in storage at the General Department of Antiquities and Museums in Riyadh.

3. Coin and manuscript collection of the Archives and Heritage Department, General Department of Antiquities and Museums in Riyadh.


III. Museums of archaeology and ethnography

1. The National Museum of Archaeology and Ethnography, Riyadh

2. Temporary regional museum, Dammam

3. Al-Hufuf museum

4. Al-Jawf local museum, Dumat Al-Jandal

5. Al-'Ula local museum

6. Taima' local museum

7. Jizān local museum, Sabya

8. Najran local museum, Ukhdud

9. Exhibits and objects stored at the temporary regional museum in Dammam.

10. Exhibits and objects stored at the local museums in Al-Hufuf, Al-Jawf, Al-'Ula Taima', Jizan and Najran.

11. Museum of the Archaeology Department of King Sa'ud University in Riyadh

IV. Shelters for movable cultural property

Shelters for movable cultural property are selected by a special committee composed of representatives the Ministry of Defence and Aviation and the Ministry of the Interior, the Presidency of the National Guard and the General Department of Antiquities and Museums and its officials at archaeological sites.