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SUMMARY

In accordance with paragraphs 90-117 of the Operational Guidelines for the Implementation of the Operational Guidelines, the Bureau examines and takes decisions concerning requests for international assistance for natural and cultural heritage above US$ 20,000 and up to US$ 30,000, and make recommendations to the Committee for the requests for international assistance for natural and cultural heritage above US$ 30,000.

Action required for the outgoing Bureau: The outgoing Bureau is requested to examine and make recommendations to the Committee concerning requests for international assistance above US$ 30,000 [SECTION 2];

Action required for the new Bureau: The new Bureau is requested to examine and take decisions concerning requests for international assistance above US$ 20,000 and up to US$ 30,000 [SECTION 1];

The guidelines for requests for international assistance in paragraphs 90-117 of the Operational Guidelines for the Implementation of the World Heritage Convention, have been summarized in Table 1. All requests for international assistance received up to 1 October 1998 have been synthesized in Table 2, including the requests for approval by the Chairperson which are not presented in this document.
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NATURAL HERITAGE
SECTION A1: For decision by the new Bureau

A.1.1 TRAINING
A.1.1.1 TANZANIA (Support for three fellowships for African Specialists in Protected Area/Wildlife Management for the Academic Year 1999-2000 at the Mweka College of African Wildlife Management, Tanzania)

World Heritage sites concerned: Candidates from African World Heritage sites will be given priority subject to their satisfying other criteria for enrollment in the courses under consideration.

Previous World Heritage Fund contributions: The World Heritage Committee, as per Article 23 of the World Heritage Convention, has provided support to the training of specialists in selected regional training centres. Before 1993, several African specialists obtained individual scholarships to attend training courses at Mweka. Since 1993, the Mweka College of African Wildlife Management has requested and received annual grants of US $30,000 which have been used for supporting 3 fellowships, at US $10,000 per grant, awarded to 3 candidates from among English speaking African nationals who are involved in management of national parks and similar reserves, including those which are designated as World Heritage sites. During the period 1994-1998, the Mweka College has thus been granted a sum of US$ 150,000 for supporting 15 fellowships.

Within the framework of the Strategy for Training Natural Heritage Specialists, adopted by the Committee at its 19th session, and following the request of the Bureau to the World Heritage Centre and IUCN at its 21st extraordinary session in 1997, a meeting to review the curriculum of Mweka College of African Wildlife Management and other regional training centres was held in Dehra Dun, India, in April 1998. As a result of this meeting, specific training modules will be prepared for incorporation into the curriculum of the regional training centres, including Mweka College. A project development workshop for the preparation of the first of such training modules on biodiversity information management is proposed by World Conservation Monitoring Centre, Cambridge, United Kingdom. A separate request for international assistance for this activity is presented in A.1 of this working document.

Summary description: Renewal of this annual grant of US$ 30,000 for the academic year 1999-2000 is requested. The College will announce the availability of World Heritage Fund fellowships and choose the best three candidates, in consultation with the Centre and IUCN.

Direct target beneficiaries: Resident staff of the protected areas and young professionals aspiring to be wildlife and protected area management specialists.

Budget breakdown:

National or other input:
The Government of Tanzania, and several other donors including EEC, WWF, etc., provide support for staff and for operations and maintenance of Mweka.

Amount requested from the Fund: US $ 30,000

The cost of one fellowship, estimated at US $10,000 is as follows:
- Tuition 5,000
- Stipend (for 12 months) 1,200

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• Educational materials 600
• Airfare 2,000
• Immigration fees 300
• Excess baggage 200
• Transit allowance 50
• Airport tax 20
• Miscellaneous/unforeseen 630

Comments of the advisory bodies: IUCN recommends that this annual grant be approved again for 1999-2000 and that it will participate in identifying potential candidates. The World Heritage Centre fully supports the continuation of this annual grant.

Action by the Bureau: The new Bureau may wish to approve the total amount of US$ 30,000 for this request.
A.1.2 TECHNICAL CO-OPERATION

No requests for approval by the Bureau.

A.1.3 EMERGENCY ASSISTANCE

A.1.3.1 CHINA (Rehabilitation of Wulingyuan Scenic and Historic Interest Area and Flood Damage Control)

Concerned World Heritage site: Wulingyuan Scenic and Historic Interest Area
Previous World Heritage Fund contributions: none

Summary description: A World Heritage Centre-IUCN mission in September 1998 found that the site faces serious visitor management and tourism development problems. However, as an immediate danger, roads, paths and buildings on-site had been severely damaged by the devastating floods which affected large areas of China in July-August 1998. At Wulingyuan site, the Suoxiyu river flooded and inundated large areas. 70 km of roads and 2 bridges were destroyed and power supply and telecommunications were broken, causing an economic loss estimated at US$ 262,192. A landslide that occurred at the top of the Tianzi Mountain extended 1100 metres and resulted in massive debris flow, comprising broken rocks, which damaged the Ten-li Gallery.

Funds are requested for emergency rehabilitation of the damaged areas on-site and construction of structures which would prevent damage in the event of a future flood. The Chinese Authorities wish to build multi-stage sand-blocking dams to stop the debris flow, minimize the force of the flood-flow and prevent damage to infrastructure at the lower reaches of streams and rivers. Planned activities include consolidation of a 12 km embankment.

Budget breakdown:

Total project budget: US $ 2,500,000

- consolidation of the 12 km embankment at a cost of US$ 100,000 per km          US $ 1,200,000
- construction of five terraced dams at a cost of US$ 120,000 per dam               US $ 600,000
- construction of Suoxi bridge                                               US $ 640,000
- construction of the Baizhangxia bridge                                      US $ 60,000

National or other input: US $ 2,440,000

The State administrative Department is providing a sum of US$ 2,440,000 for the consolidation of the embankment, the construction of the dams, and the construction of the Suoxi bridge.

Amount requested from the Fund: US $ 60,000

Cost of construction of the Baizhangxia bridge

Advice from the advisory bodies and the Secretariat: The World Heritage Centre
requested IUCN to evaluate this request on 20 October 1998, and will present IUCN’s advice to the Bureau at its 22nd extraordinary session. The World Heritage Centre recommends that a workplan and a time-table of activities for all construction activities foreseen under this project be submitted by the State Party before the funds are made available from the World Heritage Fund.

**Action by the Bureau:** The new Bureau may wish to consider this request in light of additional information from the World Heritage Centre and take a decision accordingly.
A.2.1 TRAINING

A.2.1.1 CAMEROON (Three Training Fellowships at the School for the Training of Wildlife Specialists, Garoua, Cameroon for the Academic Biennium 1999 to 2001)

**World Heritage sites concerned:** Candidates from African World Heritage sites will be given priority subject to their satisfying other criteria for enrollment in the courses under consideration.

**Previous World Heritage Fund contributions:** The World Heritage Committee, as per Article 23 of the World Heritage Convention, has provided support to the training of specialists in selected regional training centres. The School for the Training of Wildlife Specialists, Garoua, Cameroon, has been a recipient of World Heritage Fund financed fellowships and scholarships from the earliest days of the implementation of the Convention. Until 1993 fellowships to trainees from French-speaking African States Parties at the Garoua School had been contracted directly to the trainees. Since 1994, the Committee decided to grant US$ 45,000 directly to the school, once every two years, to finance 3 fellowships for trainees from French-speaking African States Parties to the Convention. During the period 1994-1997, the Garoua School received a total sum of US$ 90,000 for 6 fellowships.

**Summary description:** Renewal of this bi-annual grant of US$ 45,000 for the academic years 1999-2001 is requested by the School for the Training of Wildlife Specialists, Garoua, Cameroon, for supporting three fellowships to French-speaking Africans. The School will announce the availability of World Heritage Fund fellowships and choose the best three candidates, in consultation with the World Heritage Centre and IUCN.

**Direct target beneficiaries:** Resident staff of the protected areas and young professionals aspiring to be wildlife and protected area management specialists.

**Budget breakdown:**

- **National or other input:**
  - The Government of Cameroon provides support for staff and for operations and maintenance of the School for the Training of Wildlife Specialists, Garoua

**Amount requested from the Fund:** US$ 45,000

The cost of one fellowship for a 2-year academic cycle is US$ 15,000 each, at the rate of US$ 7,500 per year comprising of the following:

- Tuition: 2,132
- Monthly allowance (9 months): 2,554
- Equipment allowance: 248
- Airfare: 1,500
- Medical allowance: 142
- Excess baggage: 249
- Provision for exchange rate fluctuations
between local currency and US$ 675

Comments of the advisory bodies: IUCN recommends that this bi-annual grant be approved again for 1999-2001 for the training of personnel of protected areas from French-speaking African States. The World Heritage Centre fully supports the continuation of this bi-annual grant.

Action by the Bureau: The outgoing Bureau may wish to recommend approval by the Committee for the total amount of US$ 45,000 for this request.
World Heritage sites concerned: Arabian Oryx Sanctuary of Oman, Tassili n'Ajjer of Algeria, and Ichkeul National Park of Tunisia, and other potential world natural heritage sites in the Arab region.

Previous World Heritage Fund contributions: US$ 15,000 was granted in 1995 for the preparation of a management plan and for the delineation of the boundaries of the Arabian Oryx Sanctuary, inscribed on the World Heritage List in 1994. The management plan and the specification of the boundaries of the site have not yet been received by the World Heritage Centre.

Summary description: The Arab region has only three natural heritage sites inscribed on the World Heritage List. Enabling Arab States Parties to build capacity to identify and nominate new sites has been a priority under the implementation of the Global Strategy of the World Heritage Committee. Three regional workshops have been organised in the Arab region during the 1990s. The present proposal is for a fourth workshop, “A Regional Capacity-Building Training Workshop”, which will aim to promote the nomination of natural heritage sites in the Arab region for inscription on the World Heritage List, and to enhance the management of the three designated natural world heritage sites.

The workshop will include a field component in the Arabian Oryx Sanctuary site, and will bring together concerned authorities of the Arab States Parties for the conservation and management of natural heritage sites. The focus of the activity will be (i) to enhance the implementation of the World Heritage Convention (ii) to facilitate the involvement of all concerned parties and (iii) to foster regional and sub-regional co-operation in relation to natural heritage site protection in the Arab region. Themes to be addressed include: (a) definition, (b) identification, (c) monitoring,(d) management, (e) strategies for wise use of protected areas and (f) mechanisms for financing natural heritage sites in the Arab region.

Direct target beneficiaries: Resident staff of the protected areas and young professionals aspiring to be wildlife and protected area management specialists.

Budget breakdown:

National or other input: in kind

The Sultanate of Oman will provide support in-kind through the following:
- services of a national workshop director
- services of meeting attendants
- services of guides during field excursions,
- services of a national secretariat and administrative staff
- arrangements for receptions and other formal events.

Amount requested from the Fund: US $ 40,000
- organisation of the meeting US$ 5,000
- per-diem of international participants and honoraria for national resource persons US$ 15,000
- international travel of participants and
Comments of the advisory bodies and the World Heritage Centre: IUCN supports the organization of the proposed workshop in principle. However, IUCN recommends that (a) the objectives of the workshop are better focused; (b) the target audience of the workshop is clearly defined; and (c) the workshop is linked to activities related to the implementation of the capacity building component of IUCN/WCPA's Regional Action Plan for North Africa and the Middle East. IUCN recommends that the Committee approve a sum of US$ 40,000, subject to the State Party meeting conditions (a) - (c). The World Heritage Centre, in full agreement with IUCN, emphasizes the importance of the organization of such a regional workshop in the Arab region. Furthermore, the World Heritage Centre notes that the field component to the Arabian Oryx Sanctuary within the activity, will provide an opportunity to review the status of the management planning and boundary demarcation project which has been under implementation since 1995.

Action by the Bureau: The outgoing Bureau may wish to recommend that the Committee approve a sum of US $ 40,000 for this request, subject to the State Party submitting to the World Heritage Centre and IUCN, a revised proposal with well-focused and clearly defined objectives, better definition of target groups, exact dates for the workshop and links to IUCN/WCPA's activities for the Arab region. The workshop programme should include a field exercise component where workshop participants would review the status of the management planning and boundary demarcation project for the Arabian Oryx Sanctuary, and prepare a report for submission to the 23rd session of the Committee in 1999.
World Heritage sites concerned: Lake Baikal
Previous World Heritage Fund contributions:

Preparatory Assistance 1990 Formulation of the nomination file of Lake Baikal
(US$ 15,000)

Summary description: At its 21st extraordinary session in November 1997, the Bureau deferred this request in view of the State Party's wish to delay the dates of the workshop and to co-operate with the World Heritage Centre to prepare a revised proposal for submission to the consideration of the 22nd ordinary session of the Bureau in June 1998. The preparation of the revised proposal was delayed until June 1998 when a World Heritage Centre consultant undertook a monitoring mission to Lake Baikal. The consultant assisted relevant authorities in Lake Baikal and Moscow to prepare a detailed proposal which was forwarded from the UNESCO National Commission for the Russian Federation.

The workshop is planned for 4-10 July 1999, and will address three main issues: (i) the responsibilities and obligations of States Parties under the Convention and the benefits derived from the Convention; (ii) guidelines for monitoring state of conservation of World Heritage sites; and (iii) other relevant protected area management principles, e.g. integrating local community concerns into management plans, sustaining management actions during difficult economic times etc. and techniques such as Limits of Acceptable Change (LAC) methodology.

Direct target beneficiaries: Trainee participants will come from all parts of the Russian Federation and neighbouring countries with which Russia shares potential trans-border World Heritage sites. Resource persons would be selected from IUCN, the World Heritage Centre, selected World Heritage sites in the Region, e.g. Plitvice Lakes National Park of Croatia, Director Neringa National Park, Lithuania and from other parts of the world, such as Director, Yellowstone National Park, USA. A wide range of Russian and international organizations (WWF, GEF etc) are expected to co-operate in the organization of the training workshop. The trainees are expected to leave the workshop with a full understanding of the Convention and its operations, the benefits it brings to site-management and links and overlaps with other international initiatives dealing with protected area management.

Budget breakdown:

Total project budget: US$ 48,528

- hire of hall for the workshop including simultaneous interpretation equipment US$ 3,000
- participation of workshop organisers of the Russian State Committee US$ 9,786
- Russian organisational and training staff US$ 6,300
- travel of international experts and resource persons US$ 6,000
- travel of Russian trainees from protected areas and related organizations US$ 1,218
- travel of Russian and other State Party trainees from trans-boundary protected
areas
- accommodation and meals US$ 7,374
- bus rental US$ 8,300
- boat rental for field exercise US$ 3,000
- translation of workshop recommendations, layout and graphics and publication of recommendations and workshop proceedings US$ 1,000

Amount requested from the Fund: US$ 2,550

National or other input: in kind

Moscow based Government agencies and international organizations based in Russia will finance the participation of their own observers and resource persons. Any other costs not indicated herein which may arise in the organisation of the workshop will be covered by the Russian authorities either in-kind or in cash support.

Comments of the advisory bodies: IUCN has suggested that this proposal be supported as a high-priority activity. It has, however, recommended details for rewording the programme objectives and activities. It has furthermore noted that the budget for agencies from Moscow and the Baikal region may have been underestimated. IUCN has offered to co-operate with the World Heritage Centre and the State Party in refining the structure and objectives of the training workshop and looks forward to participating in 1999.

Action by the Bureau: The outgoing Bureau may wish to recommend approval by the Committee for the total amount of US$ 48,528 for this request, requesting IUCN and the World Heritage Centre to co-operate with the State Party in refining the structure and objectives of the training workshop. Furthermore, the Bureau may wish to recommend the Committee to request that the State Party submit a report on the results of the training activity to the 23rd session of the Committee in 1999.
World Heritage sites concerned: All natural World Heritage sites

Summary description: The World Heritage Committee, at its 19th session, adopted a Strategic Action Plan for Training Specialists in natural heritage, where support to the development of curricula and training materials incorporating implementation experience of the World Heritage Convention and case studies from natural world heritage sites were recommended as a priority. A meeting of Regional Training Centres hosted by the Indian Institute of Wildlife in April 1998 in Dehra Dun, India, recommended several protected area management themes, including biodiversity information management, on which training modules could be prepared and incorporated into the current curricula of regional training institutes like Garoua (Cameroon), Mweka (Tanzania), Indian Institute of Wildlife (Dehra Dun, India), etc.

As the World Conservation Monitoring Centre (WCMC) has already been running training courses in biodiversity information management, it was suggested that a workshop be held with persons from the Regional Training Centres in order to adapt existing training materials held by WCMC into the curricula of the Centres and validate the application of the training materials over a period of time.

WCMC proposes a three-phase project as follows:

i. Phase 1 - convene a project development workshop in WCMC, Cambridge, UK, in March 1999, to identify and analyze training needs in biodiversity information management of Regional Training Centres, as it relates to the curricula in use at these centres, and examine aspects of implementation of Phases 2 and 3 of the project;

ii. Phase 2 - adapt the handbook series and computer based training aids currently used by WCMC to train senior decision-makers and mid-career professional to meet the needs of the training centres;

iii. Phase 3 - validate the application of the adapted material in the training provided by the Centres and initiate a process for regular review and refinement of the training materials in use.

The request presented here is for Phase 1, the convening of a 3-day project development workshop. WCMC is submitting a proposal for financing Phases 2 and 3 to the Darwin Initiative of the Government of the United Kingdom, which financed the production of the handbook series and computer-based training aids currently used by WCMC.

The proposal includes supporting letters from several of the Directors of the Regional Training Centres School for the Training of Wildlife Specialists in Garoua, Cameroon, Mweka College of African Wildlife Management, Tanzania, Indian Institute of Wildlife, Dehra Dun, India, Southern African Wildlife College, South Africa, Conservation Programme for Mesoamerica and the Caribbean at the National University of Costa Rica, and Peak District National Park
Centre of UK. Representatives from the World Heritage Centre, IUCN/WCPA and the United Nations Institute for Training and Research (UNITAR) will be invited to attend the project development workshop.

Direct target beneficiaries: Regional training centres for wildlife or protected area management, which train managers for natural World Heritage sites.

Budget breakdown:

- Total project budget for Phase 1: US$ 43,620
  - organizational expenses US$ 3,400
  - fees for resource personnel and workshop facilitators US$ 10,200
  - international travel of 10 participants, comprising 3 from Africa (Cameroon, Tanzania and South Africa), 2 from Costa Rica (from CATIE and PRMVS-UNA), 1 from India, 1 from Australia and 2 from the UK) at an average cost of US$ 1,260 per participant US$ 12,600
  - accommodation and per-diem for the 10 participants at US$ 680 per participant US$ 6,800
  - preparation of the final report and of the proposal for phase 2 and 3 implementation US$ 8,500
  - miscellaneous and unforeseen costs US$ 2,125

Amount requested from the Fund: US$ 40,220

WCMC input:

- organizational costs US$ 3,400

Comments of the advisory bodies and the World Heritage Centre: IUCN has supported the organization of the project development workshop and requests that the Bureau make a favourable recommendation to the Committee, endorsing WCMC’s efforts to seek financial assistance from the Darwin Initiative of the United Kingdom for the implementation of Phases 2 and 3. The World Heritage Centre recommends that WCMC considers saving costs for this workshop in the budget for fees of resource personnel and workshop facilitators, and furthermore by requesting representatives from training institutions in Australia and the United Kingdom to self-finance their participation at the workshop.

Action by the Bureau: The outgoing Bureau may wish to recommend approval by the Committee for an amount of US$ 30,000 as a contribution to the organization of Phase 1 of the training activity proposed (i.e. the project development workshop). The Bureau may recommend the Committee to endorse WCMC’s efforts to seek additional funding from the Darwin Initiative for the implementation of Phases 2 and 3 of the training activity.
A.2.2 TECHNICAL CO-OPERATION

A.2.2.1 ECUADOR (Ecological Monitoring in the Galapagos Archipelago – Establishing a Quarantine System for Monitoring the Introduction and Spread of Alien Species)

World Heritage site concerned: Galapagos Islands

Previous World Heritage Fund contributions: Total amount of assistance provided from the World Heritage Fund to the Galapagos Islands site between the period 1979-1996 amounts to US$ 519,250. Some of the recent assistance have been listed below.

Preparatory 1987 Consultation at Galapagos Islands (US$ 2,500)
Emergency 1985 Equipment for Galapagos Islands (US$ 10,500)
1994 Equipment for Galapagos Islands (US$ 50,000)
Technical 1986 Environmental programmes at Galapagos (US$ 20,000)
1987 Consultation at Galapagos Islands (US$ 2,000)
1987 Consultation for personnel training plan at Galapagos Islands (US$ 4,250)
1987 Long-term management plan for Galapagos Islands (US$ 20,000)
1989 Two boats for Galapagos Islands (US$ 54,000)
1987 Two boats and other equipment at Galapagos Islands (US$ 59,500)
1987 Tourism study for Galapagos Islands (US$ 14,000)
1987 Revision of management plan of Galapagos Islands (US$ 29,000)
Training 1982 Course at C. Darwin Foundation for Galapagos (US$ 10,000)
1985 Course on management of protected zones for 2 experts for Galapagos (US$ 6,000)
1991 Smithsonian Institute Workshop for Galapagos (US$ 20,000)


Summary description: The Galapagos National Park, an in-situ laboratory for biological evolution, has been threatened by a growing number of people immigrating from mainland Ecuador who bring with them a large number of exotic plant and animal species. Introduced alien species have threatened the survival of several endemic fauna and flora of Galapagos. The Special Galapagos Law which entered into force in 1998 provides for the establishment and implementation of an effective quarantine system for controlling the introduction and spread of exotic species. During the period of 1997-1998, the Galapagos National Park Service (GNPS), with the assistance of the Charles Darwin Research Station (CDRS), and with a financial contribution of US$ 20,000 from the World Heritage Fund, has elaborated a strategic programme for the ecological monitoring of the Galapagos Island, which includes an important component on monitoring alien species and setting up a quarantine scheme for controlling their introduction and spread.

The proposed project (duration 15 months) aims to implement the component of the ecological monitoring scheme which deals with the introduction and spread of alien species. The project's objectives are:

(i) to organise and amplify available data on alien species;
(ii) to strengthen capacity of GNPS and CDRS to analyse data to plan and prioritize
actions to mitigate loss of native biodiversity;

(iii) to develop improved methods of measuring biodiversity; and

(iv) to strengthen ability of GNPS and CDRS and quarantine inspectors to detect arrival of new species and the spread of established exotics.

The main outputs expected from the activity are to secure:

(i) data on abundance and distribution of major groups of native and introduced organisms and priorities for further research and conservation actions;

(ii) museum and herbarium data catalogued and organized in a computerised data-base;

(iii) trained personnel to record data using GPS/GIS systems;

(iv) trained personnel to detect alien organisms, prepare sample and monitor selected species;

(v) increased national awareness of the importance of the biodiversity of the World Heritage site; and

(vi) project proposals for submission to donors to continue baseline data gathering and extend monitoring programme.

Budget breakdown:

Total project budget (15 months): US $100,000

- salaries of one expatriate specialist on entomology (6 months), and local museum curator specialized on invertebrates (6 months) US$ 28,000
- salary for a herbarium curator (6 months) US$ 10,000
- GPS unit, software and plotter US$ 9,000
- GPS and GIS training activity US$ 9,000
- transport around the archipelago, subsistence and other operational costs for 15 months US$ 21,000
- workshops with quarantine inspectors, general public and other target groups, publications US$ 13,000
- communications, stationery, other logistical costs US$ 7,000
- miscellaneous and unforeseen costs US$ 3,000

National or other input: in kind

GNPS, CDRS, and other States Parties based institutions will cover an unestimated amount covering the following costs:

- salaries of personnel involved in survey of specimens, inter-island transport and infrastructure maintenance;
- salaries of at least 4 technical assistants for specimen collections;
- salaries of a botanist, entomologist and a restoration ecologist for a period of 6 months each

Amount requested from the Fund: US $100,000
Comments from advisory bodies and the World Heritage Centre: IUCN, although strongly recommending that this project be implemented, suggests that GNPS and CDRS discuss with international groups, such as "The Friends of Galapagos" (FOGs), to cover salaries of local and international experts (US$ 38,000). The World Heritage Centre is in consultation with GNPS, CDRS and IUCN to discuss the possibility of obtaining the amount of US$ 38,000 from "FOGs" and other international organizations, which could provide assistance to cover the salaries of experts. The World Heritage Centre will report on the progress made on these consultations at the time of the 22nd extraordinary session of the Bureau.

Action by the Bureau: The outgoing Bureau may wish to consider this request in light of additional information from the World Heritage Centre, at its 22nd extraordinary session of the Bureau, and make a recommendation to the Committee accordingly.
World Heritage site concerned: World Heritage sites in general.

Previous World Heritage Fund contributions: IUCN, as an advisory body to the World Heritage Committee, receives financial support annually from the World Heritage Fund for its advisory services.

Summary description: The IUCN-World Conservation Congress, held from 14-23 October 1996 in Montreal, Canada, in Resolution No. CGR 1.6 for the Environmental Law Programme for the 1997-99 triennium, requested that IUCN's Environmental Law Programme provide a means of establishing the strongest possible legal foundation for the implementation of the World Heritage Convention. Hence, IUCN's Environmental Law Centre (IUCN-ELC) with technical expertise from IUCN's Environmental Law Commission prepared this proposal. The project aims to (a) undertake an in-depth analysis of the World Heritage Convention according to international law and (b) produce a comprehensive and practical report, comparable to that produced by IUCN-ELC for the Convention on Biological Diversity, intended for use by a wide range of governmental and non-governmental stakeholders, and (c) guide the future application of the World Heritage Convention at the national level. Most of the research and analytical work will be conducted by a 3 person research team of two legal experts and a research associate. Their findings, however, will be reviewed by an Expert Panel and discussed at three different regional workshops before being finalized for submission to the World Heritage Committee.

Expected outputs from the project include:
(i) clear and explicit interpretation of each major provision of the World Heritage Convention;
(ii) model provisions for national legislation;
(iii) proposals for the amendment of the Operational Guidelines for the Implementation of the World Heritage Convention;
(iv) a suggested Protocol of the Convention on management of cultural and natural properties;
(v) a world heritage manual, prepared on the basis of the project report;
(vi) a basis for practical training modules for World Heritage managers.

Budget breakdown:
Total project budget: US$ 212,440

- fees of 2 legal consultants for 120 days spread over a period of 18 months US$ 60,000
- research associate fees for 150 days, spread over a period of 18 months US$ 30,000
- travel and accommodation for a meeting between a Panel of legal experts and legal consultants US$ 25,000
- three regional technical workshops with the participation of the research team of consultants and associate and members of the Panel of experts with experts from States Parties US$ 60,000
- professional and support services of IUCN-ELC US$ 10,000
- miscellaneous and unforeseen costs US$ 3,000
Comments from the advisory bodies and the World Heritage Centre: The World Heritage Centre has discussed the proposal in detail with IUCN-ELC and is awaiting a clarification as to whether research and analysis is expected to be confined to the natural heritage aspects of the World Heritage Convention, or whether it will be extended to the cultural heritage aspects as well. The World Heritage Centre upon receipt of this clarification and further discussion of budgetary matters with IUCN-ELC, ICOMOS and ICCROM, will make a recommendation to the Bureau at its 22nd extraordinary session. IUCN's World Heritage Unit has supported this request.

Action by the Bureau: The outgoing Bureau may wish to consider this request in light of additional information from the World Heritage Centre, at its 22nd extraordinary session of the Bureau, and make a recommendation to the Committee accordingly.
A.2.2.3 NIGER (Strengthening Management Capacity of "W" National Park)

World Heritage site concerned: "W" National Park

Previous World Heritage Fund contributions:
Technical Co-operation 1997 Purchase of equipment (US$ 50,000)

Summary description: The "W" National Park was inscribed on the World Heritage List in 1996. The site covers an area larger than 1 million ha and poses problems for the management's capacity to regularly and efficiently patrol the area. The World Heritage Committee, at its 21st session in 1997, approved a sum of US$ 50,000 for the purchase of several equipment for strengthening the protection of the site. The purchases have been made and the delivery of equipment to the site is expected to be finalized before the end of 1998.

Niger has requested further assistance to purchase two four-wheel drive vehicles to strengthen the management's ability to patrol the area. The set of equipment purchased with the amount of US$ 50,000 approved by the Committee in 1997 did not include any vehicles.

Budget Breakdown:

Total project budget: US$ 103,000
- Cost of two 4-wheel drive vehicles
  @ US$ 36,500/car US$ 73,000
- Staff salaries, maintenance, operational and administrative costs for 1999 US$ 30,000

National or other input: US$ 30,000
Amount requested from the Fund: US$ 73,000

Comments of the advisory bodies and the Secretariat: IUCN supports this request. The World Heritage Centre has consulted the UNESCO Equipment Unit and has determined that the proposed estimate for the purchase of vehicles is too high. Based upon previous experience with other African States Parties, UNESCO's Equipment Unit could purchase the two vehicles for a sum not exceeding US$ 45,000.

Action by the Bureau: The outgoing Bureau may wish to recommend that the Committee approve US$ 45,000 for the purchase of the two 4-wheel drive vehicles, on the condition that the State Party (a) pays its contributions to the World Heritage Fund for 1997, (b) acknowledges receipt of equipment received, (c) provides an inventory of equipment delivered to the "W" National Park site, (d) finalize all administrative matters regarding the equipment purchase project funded by the US$ 50,000 approved by the Committee in 1997, to the World Heritage Centre.

A.2.3 EMERGENCY ASSISTANCE

No requests for approval by the Committee.
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CULTURAL HERITAGE
SECTION B1: For decision by the new Bureau

B.1.1 TRAINING

B.1.1.1 ARGENTINA (Support for a Master Programme in Conservation of Heritage)

World Heritage sites concerned: All World Heritage cultural sites in the Latin American region.

Previous World Heritage Fund contribution:


Summary description: The International Centre for the Conservation of Heritage has been organizing a Master Programme in Conservation of Heritage for several years. The programme consists of seminars, workshops and courses. In each of the previous seminar series, approximately two hundred students participated, along with many more observers. So far, the programme has had a national vocation. Sub-regional activities will be incorporated in the future.

The Master Programme for 1999 will include a series of seminars on specific subject matters at different locations:

1) Cultural policies and Management (10 days; Buenos Aires)
2) Municipal policies (3 days; Montevideo and Colonia de Sacramento (a World Heritage site), Uruguay)
3) Structures: restoration and consolidation (10 days; Buenos Aires)
4) Rescue and revaluation of vernacular architecture (5 days; Buenos Aires)
5) Rescue and revaluation of vernacular architecture (5 days; Asuncion, Paraguay)
6) Cultural landscapes (5 days; Buenos Aires)
7) Cultural landscapes in the Cono Sur countries (Buenos Aires, Jujuy)

An innovation for the 1999 programme is the inclusion of the theme of cultural landscapes and the location of the seminars in Uruguay and Paraguay. National and international experts will be invited to conduct the seminars. One of the main objectives is to articulate the participation of local communities in protecting cultural heritage. The request was submitted by the Permanent Delegation of Argentina to UNESCO.

Direct target beneficiaries: Cultural heritage conservation experts in the Latin American region, including national and local government professionals.

Budget breakdown:

Total project budget: US$ 80,000

- 3 professors from Argentina and 10 foreign professors 50,000
- publication, organization 30,000
National or other input:  
- National institutions:  
  25,000  
- National contribution for 30 national and  
  6 international professors  
  22,000  
- AGFA Gevaert  
  5,000  
Amount requested from the Fund:  
- participation of 4 international professors  
  (airfare, fees)  
  28,000  
- publication of proceedings of 2 seminars  
  (vernacular architecture and cultural landscapes  
  in the Cono Sur countries)

Comments from advisory bodies and the World Heritage Centre: Advice from ICCROM  
was requested on 13 October 1998 and will be presented to the Bureau. Further information  
concerning the project budget breakdown has been requested by the World Heritage Centre  
and will be presented to the Bureau.

Action by the Bureau: The new Bureau may wish to consider this request in light of  
additional information from the World Heritage Centre and ICCROM and take a decision  
accordingly.
B.1.1.2 CUBA (Training for preventive conservation)

World Heritage sites concerned: All World Heritage cultural sites in the Latin American region.

Previous World Heritage Fund contribution:
Training assistance 1997 Course on the integrated rehabilitation of historic cities (US$ 30,000)

Summary description: The National Centre for Conservation, Restoration and Museology (CENCREM) is an entity with research and scientific capacity and teaching facilities, originally created by a UNDP/UNESCO project. It offers a wide variety of courses for national and regional participants alike. CENCREM is located in the convent of Santa Clara, within the World Heritage site of Old Havana and its Fortifications. CENCREM proposes to organize a regional course for upgrading the knowledge of conservation specialists in the region in preventive conservation of movable properties and historical buildings.

The proposed course would have a duration of 3-4 weeks, and will be divided into theoretical and practical aspects of conservation, including field components. Professors and participants will be from different disciplines: curators, restorers, architects, physicists, chemists, biologists, and others.

Direct target beneficiaries: Curators, restorers, architects, archaeologists, physicists, chemists, biologists, and other specialists in the field of cultural heritage protection from the region.

Budget breakdown:

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Amount requested from the Fund: US$ 30,000

National or other input: in kind
Comments of the advisory bodies: ICCROM advised that, while the request undoubtedly corresponds to an important need in the Cuban heritage system, the present request is difficult to support with its current formulation. The proposal addresses 'preventive conservation' in a fairly narrow sense, leaving aside concern for the larger framework in which technical decisions are made. Insufficient details for course planning and budgeting are provided to permit judgement of the quality and resource effectiveness of the proposed budget. Furthermore, the project appears to depend entirely on the contribution from the World Heritage Fund. Important contributions of other partners, in funds or in kind, are not indicated. ICCROM, however, expressed its willingness to work with the Cuban authorities to assist in re-formulating the request for training assistance.

Action by the Bureau: The new Bureau may wish to recommend the Cuban authorities to reformulate this request with the assistance of ICCROM, and resubmit it to the 23rd session of the Bureau.
Concerned World Heritage site: Boyana Church

Previous World Heritage Fund contribution:
Technical Co-operation
1982 Equipment for Boyana/Madara/Ivanovo (US$ 40,212)
1992 Climate equipment for the Boyana Church (US$ 10,000)
1998 Dehumidifying equipment for the Boyana Church: (US$ 25,000)

Summary description: Activities related to the conservation and restoration of Boyana Church are being carried out under the direct supervision of the Ministry of Culture and the National Institute for Monuments of Culture, with the assistance of "Boyana Church" national museum. Architectural and structural conservation of the monument is in its final stage. Finishing work and installation of appropriate illumination are in progress, and the frescos have been stablized.

Presently, there is neither a system for monitoring of the micro-climate in the church, nor adequate equipment to record and monitor the condition of frescos, following the interventions which have been made and are being made. The objective is to secure equipment for monitoring, analysis and control of the condition of the monument, with a view to ensure a wide public access to it and within the context of the approved programme for preservation and socialization in its status as a national museum. The State Party requests the delivery of the following equipment to monitor, analyse and control the conditions within the church:

1) Minolta CR-300 portable colorimeter for measuring of relative aperture
   US$ 7,000
2) Mackintosh portable computer Powerbook G3/250 MHz
   US$ 4,500
3) software Adobe Photoshop 5.0 for compression and treatment of images and photos
   US$ 650
4) software FreeHand 8.0 for graphic documentation
   US$ 400
5) large scale color screen "Raster Ops color"
   US$ 1,300
6) Agfa Scanner Arcus II Solo
   US$ 1,300
7) Color printer Hewlett-Packard Desk Jet 890
   US$ 500
8) Accessories and cables for the computer and colorimeter
   US$ 1,000
9) TEST 400 set
   US$ 4,000

Total: US$ 20,650

Budget breakdown:
Total project budget: US$ 25,750
National or other input: US$ 5,100
Comments of the advisory bodies and the World Heritage Centre: ICOMOS has been asked to provide comments. The World Heritage Centre has requested the UNESCO Equipment Unit for an analysis of the prices of the equipment requested, and will present this information with ICOMOS’s comments at the time of the Bureau meeting.

Action by the Bureau: The new Bureau may wish to consider the comments of ICOMOS and further information from the World Heritage Centre concerning the costs of the equipment requested, and take a decision accordingly.
B.1.2.2 CUBA (Conservation and management of Morro-Cabana in Havana)

Concerned World Heritage site: Old Havana and its Fortifications
Previous World Heritage Fund contribution:
- Technical Co-operation 1993 Rehabilitation works for the buildings around the Plaza Vieja in Havana (US$ 55,000)
- Emergency 1993 Rehabilitation works for the buildings around the Plaza Vieja in Havana (US$ 20,000)

Summary description: Old Havana and its Fortifications site was inscribed on the World Heritage List in 1982 and includes the old city of Havana and its related fortifications. The Morro-Cabana Park, with an extension of 90 hectares, east of the entrance to the bay of Havana and forming an integral part of its fortification system, includes three fortifications from the 16th, 18th, and 19th centuries. The park, which includes museums, leisure and cultural spaces and commercial activities, is becoming of increased interest for national and international visitors. Due to increased pressure on the site, it is considered necessary to develop a master plan for the park in order to ensure the proper preservation of the monuments and the effective management of one of the major cultural and tourism resources of the country. The Morro-Cabana Park is under the administration of the Historical Military Museums Complex.

The request, submitted by the Cuban National Commission for UNESCO, proposes that a group of international and national experts assist the administration of the Historical Military Museums Complex, in preparing a master plan for the Morro-Cabana Park. A feasibility study will be undertaken during a period of five months by a group of six Cuban specialists in ecology and landscape, tourism and commerce, heritage, museography and finance with the assistance of international experts. Within the overall feasibility study, technical studies will be undertaken on existing historical buildings and structures, defining their conservation and restoration needs, identifying the use of these and other buildings. The result of the activity will lead to the preparation of a master plan, including an analysis and concrete proposals for the preservation and development of the park.

Budget breakdown:

| Total project budget: | US$ 52,117 |
| National input: | US$ 23,340 |
| - National specialist | US$ 22,000 |
| - International experts’ transportation in Cuba | US$ 840 |
| - Materials | US$ 500 |
| Amount requested from the Fund: | US$ 28,777 |
| - Fee and travel of international experts (2 missions of 4 experts at US$ 2,789/ mission) | US$ 22,310 |
| - Orientation and study trip of Cuban experts to Cartagena de Indias, Campeche and San Juan | US$ 6,467 |
Comments of the advisory bodies: ICOMOS fully supports this request, as a close examination of the original nomination dossier shows that there is an urgent need for the management plan proposed.

Action by the Bureau: The new Bureau may wish to approve the amount of US$ 28,777 requested for the preparation of a Master Plan for the Moro-Cabana Park within the Old Havana and its Fortifications World Heritage site.
KENYA (Establishment of national cultural sites database and GIS facilities)

World Heritage site concerned: Cultural sites in Kenya

Previous World Heritage Fund contributions: none for cultural heritage

Summary description: Kenya's cultural heritage, with its hundreds of sites of archaeological, palaeontological, historical and architectural significance, is unusually rich and varied. However, there are no Kenyan cultural sites inscribed on the World Heritage List yet. At present, Kenya has no comprehensive national heritage inventory, either manual or electronic. The establishment of a computerized database would enable the creation of a heritage inventory, and also facilitate the work in monitoring and controlling land acquisition and gazetting. Furthermore, such a database would ease storage and retrieval of important data for research and other purposes. GIS (Geographic Information System) is an important tool in documenting the sites. It will enable the National Museums of Kenya (NMK) to link its database to digital maps, thus making geographic location and other data easy to access and manage. GIS can also be used to analyze data from other departments, which can in turn be used for planning and enhanced management of the national cultural sites. The main objective of the proposed project is to build the capacity for management and conservation of sites in the national register. Timetable of this activity is 3 years to accomplish the work, including the preparation of the final documents for nominating sites.

Project activities proposed are listed below:
1. Development of a computerized database in co-ordination with the Computer Service Department; the database will be maintained through a centralized server.
2. Establishment of GIS facilities and training of the NMK staff to fully utilize it.
4. Compilation and review of documentation of sites and monuments of historic or prehistoric significance.
5. Preparation of documents according to the accepted international standards.

Expected outcome are listed below:
- A computerized national inventory will be established, complete with geographical references and photos.
- A GIS unit will be established to assist in maintaining and developing the database, and to improve cartographic services within the NMK.
- Through internal staff training, the NMK will achieve a high level of competence in database management, GIS and general computer use.
- Kenya will be able to better compile and prepare information on sites for the nomination on the World Heritage List.
- Kenya may be able to extend such services to other countries in the region.

The request, which was submitted by the National Museums of Kenya and the National Commission of Kenya to UNESCO, falls within the framework of the AFRICA-2009
Programme, which is based upon the training strategy for conservation of immovable cultural heritage in Sub-Saharan Africa, approved by the Committee at its 20th session (1996). If World Heritage funds are approved for this project, it will be implemented in co-operation with ICCROM.

Budget breakdown:

**Total project budget:**

US$ 70,000

Estimated cost of the project activities (not inclusive of salaries of NMK staff who are permanent employees)

**National or other input:**

in kind and US$ 40,000

- Space for the centre at the National Museum of Accra
- Salaries for administrative staff of the centre
- Salaries for the technical staff of the centre

**Amount requested from Fund:**

US$ 29,832

- 4 PCs/UPS 8,000
- Networking 1,000
- 1 flatbed scanner 1,000
- 2 laser printers 1,520
- 1 photocopier 3,300
- 1 digitiser 3,712
- 1 plotter 10,800
- GPS 500

**Comments of the advisory bodies and the World Heritage Centre:**

ICCROM recommends that the request is approved, although ICCROM has indicated that the World Heritage Centre may wish to communicate with the National Museums of Kenya in regard to obtaining more details about the training aspects of the project and for provision of periodic up-dates on the progress made for completing the database.

The World Heritage Centre, although acknowledging that the request is for an important initiative in building capacity within Kenya for protecting potential World Heritage cultural sites, notes with concern that Kenya has not paid its dues to the World Heritage Fund since 1993, and therefore is not eligible to receive technical co-operation grants. Furthermore, the World Heritage Centre notes that the request does not conform to the requirements of technical co-operation grants, as specified in the Operational Guidelines for the Implementation of the World Heritage Convention paragraph 99. Therefore, the World Heritage Centre cannot recommend approval of this request.

**Action by the Bureau:**
The new Bureau may wish to request the State Party to pay its dues to the World Heritage Fund and furthermore, recommend the State Party to submit a request for preparatory assistance to prepare nominations for submission to the World Heritage Committee.
B.1.2.4 PERU (Technical Co-operation for the protection of Chan Chan Archaeological Zone – request for funds in addition to US$ 20,000 approved in 1997)

**Concerned World Heritage site:** Chan Chan Archaeological Zone  
**Status of payment of dues to the World Heritage Fund:** Paid up to 1997.  

**Previous World Heritage Fund contribution:**
- **Training**  
  1996  Pan-American Course on the conservation and management of earthen architectural and archaeological heritage, Chan Chan (US$ 40,000)  
- **Technical**  
  1997  Preparation of a master plan for Chan Chan Archaeological Zone (US$ 20,000)  
- **Emergency**  
  1997  Measures to protect site against the impact of the El Nino phenomenon (US$ 50,000)

**Summary description:** The Chan Chan Archaeological Zone site was inscribed on both the World Heritage List and the List of World Heritage in Danger in 1986. The area of Chan Chan is vast and includes adobe ruins of palaces, residences and other structures. The ruins are extremely fragile and are affected by sea-wind, salt, the El Nino phenomenon and human intervention. One of the palaces, Palacio Tschudi, has been restored and is open to the public. Since a few years the site has been furnished with a site museum and laboratories.

As recommended by the World Heritage Committee, the National Institute for Culture of Peru is presently preparing a comprehensive Master Plan for Chan Chan. This is being undertaken by an interdisciplinary team of national experts with the advice from an international expert from Mexico. A detailed report on the progress made was submitted on 16 July 1998 together with a workplan and a request for an additional contribution from the World Heritage Fund for an amount of US$ 8,700. The request was submitted by the National Institute for Culture, via the Permanent Delegation of Peru to UNESCO.

**Budget breakdown:**

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Amount requested from the Fund:  

US$ 28,700  

(US$ 20,000 was already approved in 1997 under technical co-operation from the World Heritage Fund. Therefore the current request is for an additional US$ 8,700)  

- Technical Personnel 5,200  
  3 draftsmen @US$ 400 x 3 months,  
  3 chemists @US$ 500 x 3 months,  
  2 secretarial assistants @US$ 250 x 2 months,  
  2 monitoring technicians @US$ 400 x 2 months  

- Fee international consultant 1,000  
- Reproduction 1,500  
- Materials 1,000  

National or other input:  

US$ 25,075  

- Government of Peru 20,723  
- Other sources 4,352  

Comments of the advisory bodies: ICOMOS fully supports this request, stating that the request represents an excellent initial systematic approach to the resolution of the grave conservation and management problems at Chan Chan.

Action by the Bureau: The new Bureau may wish to approve the additional amount of US$ 8,700 requested for the preparation of the Master Plan for Chan Chan Archaeological Zone site, in addition to the US$ 20,000 approved in 1997.
B.1.2.5 TURKEY (Technical co-operation for the "House of Fatih Inhabitants" within the Historic Centre of Istanbul)

World Heritage site concerned: Historic Areas of Istanbul

Previous World Heritage Fund contributions:

- Technical co-operation
  - 1983 Hagia Sophia mosaic conservation, Historic Areas of Istanbul (US $ 30,000)
  - 1987 Photogrammetry equipment, Historic Areas of Istanbul (US$ 31,247)
  - 1988 Equipment, Historic Areas of Istanbul (US$ 29,902)
  - 1991 Hagia Sophia mosaic conservation, Historic Areas of Istanbul (US$ 20,000)
  - 1994 Hagia Sophia, Historic Areas of Istanbul (US$ 20,000)
  - 1994 Hagia Sophia mosaic restoration, Historic Areas of Istanbul (US$ 80,000)

- Training
  - 1987 Stone conservation training, Historic Areas of Istanbul (US$ 12,000)

Summary description: This technical co-operation request was discussed at the 22nd ordinary session of the Bureau of the World Heritage Committee in June 1998. At that time, the Bureau postponed the approval of this request for US$ 30,000 to its twenty-second extraordinary session. The Bureau requested that maps clearly indicating the core and buffer zone of the Historic Centre of Istanbul as well as further detailed budget breakdown information be submitted to the Bureau for its examination. The decision of the Bureau concerning this request is attached to this Working Document as Annex A.

The request, submitted by the Municipality of Fatih of Istanbul and endorsed by the Turkish National Commission for UNESCO, is for assisting the operations of the "House of Fatih Inhabitants", which provides neighbourhood advisory service to improve the housing conditions and the built environment of the Fatih district, which is part of the historic centre of Istanbul.

Development pressure, notably from continued migration of population into the city, has resulted in a critical shortage of housing and public infrastructure, particularly in the historic areas under protection by the State. However, due to the strict cultural heritage protection laws and the poverty of the inhabitants, new construction is banned and even renovation is restricted, resulting in a serious deterioration of the built environment. This is particularly the case in the Fatih district, consisting of the sectors of Zeyrek, Fener and Balat, where some 20 historic monuments listed on the national inventory are located, including those specifically protected by the World Heritage Convention. As mentioned in the ICOMOS reactive monitoring report presented at the 21st session of the Committee, the historic area of Zeyrek, renown for the Ottoman-epoch timber houses, has been largely deserted by the inhabitants due to the danger caused by the structural instability of the historic houses. Inadequate public and private investment are also resulting in the dilapidation of Fener and Balat, which are part of the nationally protected conservation area located within the World Heritage buffer zone.
Following the recommendation of a study conducted by a joint European Commission/UNESCO/Fatih project financed by the European Union, the "House of Fatih Inhabitants" for heritage protection was established by the Municipality of Fatih in April 1998 to prevent the further deterioration of the historic urban fabric by mobilizing the inhabitants themselves in the preservation effort. Within the proposed project with a global budget of US$ 170,920, the requested input from the World Heritage Fund is US$30,000. This input would finance half the cost of one international expert mission (3-month duration) and national urban planners and architects (i) to set-up the neighbourhood advisory service; (ii) to carry out the necessary socio-economic and architectural surveys of the inhabitants and the buildings of architectural value requiring urgent rehabilitation and; (iii) to prepare information material on buildings conservation mechanism and the internet website on the Historic Areas of Fatih/Istanbul to be established by the Municipality of Fatih.
Budget Breakdown:

Total project budget: $170,920
National project (Municipality of Fatih):
- acquisition and rehabilitation of a building for the House of Inhabitants $106,810
- furnishing $19,910
- running costs including communications $4,200
- co-financing of national project assistant $5,000
Other input (Government of France):
- 50% co-financing of international project expert $5,000

Amount requested from the World Heritage Fund: $30,000
- 50% co-financing of international project expert $5,000
- 50% co-financing of national project assistant $5,000
- national experts (urban planner, architect, jurist) $6,000
- computer equipment and software $4,000
- establishment of internet website $4,000
- printed information document $6,000

Comments from the advisory bodies and the Secretariat: At the 22nd ordinary session of the Bureau, ICOMOS and ICCROM reiterated their strong and full support for this request, underlining the crucial need to protect the urban historic fabric and buffer zones composing the essential setting of World Heritage monuments and buildings. Both advisory bodies stressed the need to promote the active participation of the local inhabitants in maintaining the integrity of urban conservation areas, which require not only the preservation of historic monuments but also of vernacular buildings of architectural value. ICCROM emphasized the importance of this project to strengthen the local management capacity. The Secretariat fully supports this project, especially in view of the capacity building impact it has for the local authorities and the empowerment of the local inhabitants in the preservation of their own heritage homes.

Action by the Bureau: The new Bureau may wish to approve the total amount requested of $30,000. The Bureau may wish, on this occasion, to stress the importance of promoting the active participation of the local inhabitants in maintaining the integrity of urban conservation areas which require not only the preservation of historic monuments but also of vernacular buildings of architectural value.

B.3.1 EMERGENCY ASSISTANCE

No requests for approval by the Bureau.
SECTION B2: For recommendation by the outgoing Bureau and decision by the Committee

B.2.1  TRAINING

B.2.1.1  BRAZIL  (Specialized Course on Integrated Territorial and Urban Conservation – Brazil programme ITUC 1999-2000)

World Heritage sites concerned: World Heritage cultural sites in the Latin American region, especially in or near urban centres.

Previous World Heritage Fund contributions:
Training  1997-98 Specialized course (US$ 40,000)

Summary description: The ITUC/BR (Integrated Territorial and Urban Conservation. Brazil programme) is the Brazilian contribution to the larger ITUC International Programme of ICCROM. (The ICCROM ITUC Programme was established in 1995 as a means of improving the capacity of institutions and individuals to better manage the cultural heritage aspects of historic settlements, both rural and urban. A request for international assistance for ITUC Programme activities are presented in this working document as AB.2.) The Brazil Programme was established in 1997 with the creation of the Centre for the Territorial and Urban Conservation (CECI) at the Federal University of Pernambuco in Recife. During the 1997-1998 period, CECI organized two training courses as well as International Seminar on Integrated Conservation and Urban Sustainable Development, held in October 1998. CECI is now preparing its 1999-2000 courses.

The current proposal requests financial support for two courses with a duration of four months each to be held at the Federal University of Pernambuco. Recife, in 1999 and 2000. The courses are designed for 15 to 20 students each, and are aimed for participants with a minimum of three years experience in their relevant fields. The course will be based upon analysis of the conservation and urban management problems and processes of the World Heritage sites of the Historical Centre of Olinda and Recife City. Field studies will be held at the World Heritage site of the Historic Centre of Salvador de Bahia and other historical cities of national importance (Igarassu and Ipojuca). One of the objectives is to increasingly include participants from outside of Brazil, and the target is set at five to seven Latin American students per course for 1999 and 2000. Professors will be both national and international experts in the relevant fields.

The ITUC Brazil programme consists of ten modules:
1. Introduction to the concepts and problems of urban and territorial conservation
2. Sustainable development and urban conservation in the planning process
3. Principles of integrated conservation
4. Methodology: the design of the planning process for urban and territorial conservation
5. Elaboration of urban and territorial conservation plans
6. Management and implementation of the conservation planning process
7. Control and monitoring of the conservation planning process
8. Group work (case study) to elaborate a management plan for the city of Olinda
9. Field work-evaluation of the management process of two other historic cities in Brazil
10. Evaluation of the group work.

The request was submitted by the National Institute of the Historic and Artistic Heritage (IPHAN) within the Ministry of Culture of Brazil.

**Budget breakdown:**

**Total project budget:** US$ 143,700

- organizational costs 31,000
- personnel 35,000
- travel 21,800
- publication 8,300
- scholarships 25,600
- per diem for international experts 7,000
- student board during field trips 8,000
- periodicals, books 7,000

**National or other input:**  
in kind and US$ 93,800

- Federal University of Pernambuco US$ 68,500  
  (an estimated amount of US$ 29,850  
  in-kind contribution will also be made)
- ICCROM US$ 4,400
- IPHAN US$ 11,800
- Other US$ 9,100

**Amount requested from the Fund:** US$ 49,900

(All contributions from World Heritage Fund will partially cover the expenses for the following costs)

- international experts (fees) US$ 2,800
- international travel (int. experts) US$ 6,000
- national travel (students field trip) US$ 6,000
- scholarships to LA students US$ 25,600
- per diem international experts US$ 3,500
- student board during field trips US$ 6,000

**Comments of the advisory bodies:** ICCROM’s comments have been requested and will be presented by the World Heritage Centre to the Bureau during its 22nd extraordinary session.

**Action by the Bureau:** The outgoing Bureau may wish to consider the additional information from the World Heritage Centre and thereafter make a recommendation to the Committee.
B.2.1.2 CHINA (Training Programme for site-managers of World Heritage Cities in China – Consolidation of the International Conference for Mayors of Historic Cities in China and the European Union – Suzhou, China, 7-9 April 1998)

World Heritage sites concerned: World Heritage cultural sites or Tentative List cultural sites located in cities or urban centres of China.

Previous World Heritage Fund contributions:
Training 1994 Two Smithsonian scholarships (US$ 10,200)
1996 International Conference for Mayors of Historic Cities in China and the European Union – Suzhou, China, 7-9 April, 1998 (US$ 25,000)

Summary description: Following the International Conference for Mayors of Historic Cities in China and the European Union – Suzhou, China, 7-9 April 1998, and the Suzhou Declaration on International Co-operation for the Safeguarding and Development of Historic Cities, the Chinese National Commission for UNESCO, in co-operation with the Ministry of Construction and the National Administration of Cultural Heritage of China, plans to undertake a training programme for site-managers of Chinese World Heritage sites. Co-operation will be sought between site-managers of World Heritage sites or Tentative List sites in historical cities of China and the European Union (EU). Participating agencies are expected to be the Chinese National Commission for UNESCO, the Chinese Ministry of Construction, the Chinese National Administration of Cultural Heritage, China Association of Urban Planning, and the China Association of Mayors. The objective is to enhance management capacities of the Municipal Authorities of China's historical cities to safeguard and develop historical sections within their cities. The request was submitted by the Chinese National Commission for UNESCO and the Permanent Delegation of China to UNESCO.

Themes and issues to be addressed in the training programme are:
(i) Development of an effective conservation policy to preserve historical urban districts
(ii) Promotion of "best practice" sustainable development of historical cities, towns, and districts with diverse cultures, ecological environments, and evolution processes
(iii) Development of legal protection and planning frameworks to safeguard and enhance the values of historical urban districts, by integrating the implementation of existing building regulations and provision of financial and technical means to inhabitants to encourage conservation and restoration using traditional construction materials
(iv) Promotion of use of international co-operation programmes between Local Authorities of China and their counterparts in the EU and other regions.

The programme is expected to have two phases;
a) July 1999 On-site training workshops at Ancient City of Ping Yao and Old Town of Lijiang World Heritage sites, with 68 participants.
b) Oct. 1999 Training activities at ICCROM (Rome, Italy) and World Heritage cities in France, Germany, Italy, Spain, Sweden, the United Kingdom, and other EU countries.

The ICCROM training activity will focus on briefing Chinese site-managers on conservation techniques, administrative and legal arrangements, to meet conservation needs in the process
of urban development, based upon the European experience. Field trips to European historical cities will be conducted for:
1. establishing relationships between local authorities for decentralized co-operation, exchange of experience and transfer of financial resources and expertise for protecting Chinese World Heritage cities;
2. stimulating interest in “best practice” conservation and sustainable development of historical cities;
3. generate contributions from European donors.

Budget breakdown:

Total project budget: $78,260

Training workshops at Ping Yao and Lijiang (4 days, 68 participants) $57,260
- preparation of working documents $10,000
- Conference facilities $8,000
- Secretarial assistance $6,000
- Fee and honoraria to national resource persons $3,000
- Travel of Chinese participants (50 participants x US$ 250) $12,500
- Travel of Chinese experts (16 experts x US$ 250) $4,000
- Travel of international experts (2 experts x US$ 1,500) $3,000
- Accommodation of Chinese experts (16 experts x US$ 40/day x 4 days) $2,560
- Per Diem for international experts (2 experts x US$ 100/day x 10 days) $2,000
- Transportation on site for all participants $6,200

Training at ICCROM and the EU $21,000
(1 week, 25 participants)
- Fee for international experts (3 experts, 5 days) $2,600
- Per Diem for international experts (3 experts) $3,000
- Travel of international experts (3 experts x US$ 800/expert) $2,400
- Preparation of working documents $5,000
- Conference facilities $6,000
- Secretarial assistance $2,000

National or other input: in kind and $43,260
- International and domestic travel, Per Diem, for Chinese participants will be borne by the respective National or Local Authorities.

Amount requested from the Fund: $35,000

Comments from the advisory bodies and the World Heritage Centre: Comments from ICCROM were requested on 4 November 1998 due to the delay in the receipt of clarification of information from the Chinese Authorities, concerning the second part of the training...
activity. ICCROM’s comments will be presented at the time of the 22nd extraordinary session of the Bureau. The World Heritage Centre supports this activity as a follow-up to the results of the Suzhou Conference and its Declaration, and will further establish relationships between local authorities of historical cities of China and the European Union for the protection of heritage located in urban areas. The World Heritage Centre recommends that the Committee requests the State Party and ICCROM to closely co-operate to plan the programme for the second phase of the training activity at ICCROM.

**Action by the Bureau:** The outgoing Bureau may wish to consider the additional information from ICCROM, and recommend approval of **US$ 35,000** to the Committee, subject to the State Party and ICCROM agreeing to closely co-operate to plan the programme of the training activity at ICCROM.
B.2.1.3 COLOMBIA (Sub-regional training in underwater archaeology)

World Heritage sites concerned: Port, Fortress, and Group of Monuments, Cartagena World Heritage site and other related underwater Tentative List sites in the Latin American and Caribbean region.

Previous World Heritage Fund contributions: none

Summary description: Colombia and many other countries in the Latin American and Caribbean region have very rich underwater cultural heritage. At present, no training is offered in the region in the field of conservation of underwater cultural heritage. Colombia proposes to organize a training activity in Cartagena de Indias, a World Heritage site with a rich underwater archaeological heritage. This training course will not only benefit the participants in the course, but will also contribute to a better understanding and preservation of the heritage of Cartagena.

The course will have a duration of twelve weeks and will take place in the first half of 1999. The course will provide training to eight participants from four Latin American and Caribbean countries (Colombia, Dominican Republic, Haiti, Panama). The programme will address theoretical aspects of underwater archaeology, practice (diving, research, etc.), excavations, analysis of finds and the conservation of objects. The request was submitted by the Permanent Delegation of Columbia to UNESCO.

Budget breakdown:

Total project budget: \( \text{US$ 102,588} \)

- a) organization and equipment \( 21,700 \)
- b) daily subsistence allowance \( 15,288 \)
- (84 days x US$ 14 x 13 participants) \( 5,400 \)
- c) board (12 weeks) \( 40,400 \)
- d) personnel
  - coordinator (3 months) \( 8,200 \)
  - diving instructor (1 month) \( 3,000 \)
  - archaeology instructor (3 months) \( 8,300 \)
  - prospection expert (1 month) \( 4,300 \)
  - architecture expert (3 months) \( 8,300 \)
  - underwater expert (3 months) \( 8,300 \)
- e) transportation
  - instructors (France-Columbia) x 3RT \( 6,600 \)
  - activity preparation (France Columbia) x 4 RT \( 4,400 \)
  - Panama-Columbia x 2RT \( 700 \)
  - Haiti-Columbia x 2RT \( 1,600 \)
  - Dominican Republic x 2RT \( 1,300 \)
  - Transport of materials, equipment \( 5,200 \)

National or other input:

- Government of Colombia (in kind) \( 10,000 \)
- archaeologist fee (1 month) \( 2,750 \)
- Government of the Dominican Republic, Panama 20,000
- Government of Haiti 10,000

Amount requested from the Fund: **US$ 59,838**

**Comments of the advisory bodies and the World Heritage Centre:** ICCROM’s comments have been requested and will be presented to the Bureau at its 22nd extraordinary session. The World Heritage Centre considers that the World Heritage Fund contribution should be limited to facilitate the participation of foreign participants and instructors. Therefore, provided that ICCROM supports this request, the World Heritage Centre recommends the approval of items b), c) and d), for the amount of US$ 40,488.

**Action by the Bureau:** The outgoing Bureau may wish to consider the additional information from ICCROM, and thereafter recommend the approval of **US$ 40,488** to the Committee.
B.2.1.4  LEBANON (Training Programme of Conservators-Restorers in the field of Mural Paintings at the World Heritage sites in Lebanon)

World Heritage sites concerned: All World Heritage cultural sites (Tyr, Bybios) or Tentative List sites (Saida, Deir el Qamar, Qadisha Valley) with mural paintings in Lebanon.

Previous World Heritage Fund contributions: Training 1998 Training Programme of Conservators-Restorers in the field of Mural Paintings at the World Heritage sites in Lebanon (US$ 20,000)

Summary description: Despite the rich heritage of mural paintings in Lebanon dating to Hellenistic and Medieval periods, there are very few trained specialists in Lebanon who are adequately trained in conservation of such heritage following international standards. Therefore, it is urgently required that national capacity building through a training programme is implemented and that further deterioration of mural paintings at World Heritage cultural sites or those on the Tentative List is prevented.

The proposed 4-year training programme was designed in 1997 and launched in 1998 in cooperation with ICCROM to safeguard the mural paintings in Lebanon. The Chairperson of the World Heritage Committee approved an international assistance request for the year of 1998 to cover the cost of the first phase, executed in September 1998. Consequently, in 1999, the Department of Antiquities in Lebanon wishes to conduct the second phase of the training programme for 3 months, with the assistance from the World Heritage Fund.

The objectives of this programme are listed below:

1) Training of national conservators and restorers in mural paintings at the sites;
2) Formulating a detailed conservation plan for each site;
3) Establishing technical principles and standards for mural paintings in Lebanon.

The request was submitted by the Director-General of Antiquities of the Government of Lebanon.

Direct target beneficiaries: Students of the Lebanese University of Fine Arts, Archaeology, Architecture, Biology (8 participants).

Budget breakdown:

Total project budget US$ 70,150

a) Missions of specialists from ICCROM 34,550

1) One senior conservator 14,150

   • Travel (Rome/Beirut/Rome) 650
   • Per-diem (US$ 150/day x 90 days) 13,500

2) One junior conservator x 2 persons 13,300

   • Travel (Rome/Beirut/Rome) 1,300
   • Per-diem (3 months x US$ 2,000/month x 2) 12,000

3) International experts x 4 persons 7,100

   • Travel US$ 650 x 4 2,600
   • Per-diem (US$ 1,125/week x 4 persons) 4,500

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b) Internal travel (car rental = US$ 3,200 x 3 months)  
9,600

c) Cost of necessary materials  
   • Conservation Instruments  
   • reproduction of the report, etc.  
   • communication and others  
   (2 staff from the Department of Antiquities)  
15,000  
10,000  
1,000
26,000

National or other input:  
   ICCROM coordinator and expert (2 weeks)  
in kind and US$ 10,150

Amount requested from the Fund:  
US$ 60,000

Comments of the advisory bodies:  
ICCROM, supporting this important programme, recommends approval by the Committee for the total amount requested. ICCROM will continue monitoring this basic training course as a scientific partner in the project, and believes that the goal to establish a fully operative team of mural painting conservators at the Direction-General of Antiquities of Lebanon would respond to an urgent need to augment professional capacities in heritage conservation after Lebanon’s recent conflict.

The World Heritage Centre supports the continuation of this important training programme initiated with assistance from the World Heritage Fund in 1998. However, the World Heritage Centre recommends that this activity be conducted at a sub-regional level, to meet the needs of the mural painting conservators at World Heritage sites in the Syrian Arab Republic and Jordan.

Action by the Bureau:  
The outgoing Bureau may wish to recommend that the Committee approve US$ 60,000 for the continuation of the training programme for conservators and restorers of mural paintings, requesting the State Party to conduct the activity at a sub-regional level, including participants from the Syrian Arab Republic and Jordan.
B.2.1.5 RUSSIAN FEDERATION (International training workshop for World Heritage cultural site-managers from Eastern and Central Europe, to be held in Veliky-Novgorod)

World Heritage sites concerned: All World Heritage cultural sites in Eastern and Central Europe.

Previous World Heritage Fund contributions: none

Summary description: With the increasing interest and increasing activities in the implementation of the World Heritage Convention in the Russian Federation, Russia's site managers and cultural officials have expressed their interest in receiving training related to World Heritage matters. Of particular importance to these professionals is acquiring an understanding of the use of new materials and techniques, monitoring, and financial management, through case studies on the management of World Heritage sites in other countries. One of the pressing needs at the Russian sites is to develop a series of integrated World Heritage state of conservation reporting systems. In particular, co-ordination and integration of the scientific information into a reporting systems need to be better developed. A workshop component that addresses this issue will help to identify the practical requirements to improve this system.

The objectives of the workshop are:

- Develop an integrated state of conservation reporting system, focusing on how to co-ordinate and integrate scientific information and databases available to site-managers at present (The site Novgorod Veliky will be used as a case study to develop recommendations for an integrated state of conservation reporting system);
- Review lessons learnt from other countries and examine the resources of government agencies and of scientific institutions currently protecting the historical monuments of Novgorod and its environment;
- Strengthen knowledge of the World Heritage Convention, its Operational Guidelines and of the role of the UNESCO World Heritage Centre;
- Receive information on state of conservation, reporting, international assistance from the World Heritage Fund;
- Receive information on other potential international and domestic resources, for protecting World Heritage cultural sites.

The international workshop will take place between 11 and 18 September 1999 and will contain 5 working days and 2 days of travel. The request was submitted by the National Commission of the Russian Federation to UNESCO.

Budget breakdown:

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<td>• rent of conference hall with simultaneous interpretation equipment (5 days x US$ 600/day)</td>
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<td>• audio-visual equipment (5 days x US$ 100)</td>
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- stationary (60 sets x US$ 5) and other 400
- bus and boat rental for field trips 2,000
  (bus 4 hours x US$ 100, boat 8 hours x US$ 200)
- other local transportation for participants 1,200
General organizational staff 2,360
  (reception, interpreters, typist, assistants, etc.)

Amount requested from the Fund: US$ 40,000

Organization 1,264
  (accommodation for 25 foreign participants in Moscow,
  transportation to train to Novgorod, translation and printing
  of workshop materials)

Personnel 35,736
- Russian organizer of Novgorod workshop 2,400
- subsistence of 26 Russian participants 14,040
  (from 16 WH sites, 10 Tentative List sites)
- 4 Russian trainers 2,960
  (4 experts x [per diem @US$ 180/day x 6,
  accommodation US$ 360, report US$ 200])
- 4 international experts 6,816
  (4 experts x [per diem @US$ 284/day x 6])
- subsidy for participants from Byelorussia,
  Bulgaria, Ukraine, Lithuania, Lativa 9,520

Publication 3,000

Comments of the advisory bodies and the World Heritage Centre: Comments from
ICOMOS and ICCROM will be presented to the Bureau at its 22nd extraordinary session.

Action by the Bureau: The outgoing Bureau may wish to consider further information
provided by the advisory bodies at its 22nd extraordinary session and make a recommendation to
the Committee accordingly.
B.2.2 TECHNICAL CO-OPERATION
B.2.2.1 BRAZIL (Restoration of the Sanctuary of Bom Jesus de Congonhas)

Concerned World Heritage site: Sanctuary of Bom Jesus de Congonhas

Previous World Heritage Fund contribution: None for this site.

Summary description: The site of the Sanctuary of Bom Jesus de Congonhas was inscribed on the World Heritage List in 1985, and consists of the main church and a series of small chapels in a landscaped environment. A project for the integral restoration of the site and its monuments has been developed by the Municipality of Congonhas, in collaboration with the National Institute for the Historical and Artistic Heritage (IPHAN), Ministry of Culture of the Government of Brazil. This request was submitted by IPHAN.

The integral project consists of three components:
1) Restoration of the site;
2) Training of local workmen and artisans;
3) Awareness building among the local population.

The first phase, for which financial assistance from the World Heritage Fund is requested, foresees:
- the restoration of the painted ceiling of the atrium which has seriously deteriorated, and aggravated by previous dismantling and restoration works
- the restoration of the paravento which separates the atrium from the nave of the church.

Budget breakdown:

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<td>8,070</td>
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<td>30,472</td>
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<td>Panels of choir</td>
<td>21,150</td>
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<td>Panels of nave</td>
<td>29,898</td>
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<td>Panels of atrium</td>
<td>14,130</td>
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<td>Arch</td>
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<td>Ceiling of the nave</td>
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<td>Ceiling of the sacristy</td>
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<td>Balustrades</td>
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<td>Pulpits</td>
<td>15,850</td>
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<td>Arcade of choir</td>
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<td>Retable (back US$ 42,285, side US$ 23,550)</td>
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National or other input:
Amount requested from the Fund: US$ 32,574
First phase of restoration works:
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<td>• structural revision</td>
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<td>• protection coat</td>
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The studies and development of the project has been financed by national institutions. Supervision of the work will be provided by IPHAN.

Comments of the advisory bodies: ICOMOS supports this request.

**Action by the Bureau:** The outgoing Bureau may wish to recommend the approval of the requested amount of US$ 32,574 to the Committee, for supporting the initiation of the integral restoration of the Sanctuary of Bom Jesus de Congonhas, and to finance the first phase of the restoration of the atrium and paravento of this monument.
B.2.2.2 CUBA (Rescue and preservation activities of La Estrella Fortress and of Smith (Gramma) Key at the San Pedro de la Roca Castle, Santiago de Cuba)

World Heritage site concerned: San Pedro de la Roca Castle, Santiago de Cuba
Previous World Heritage Fund contributions: none

Summary description: The San Pedro de la Roca Castle, Santiago de Cuba, inscribed on the World Heritage List in 1997, is a site with fortifications forming the defence system at the entrance of the Santiago de Cuba bay, as well as a village, Smith (Gramma) Key, which constitutes an outstanding example of wood architectural heritage. The request addresses the conservation needs of (1) defence the structures and of (2) the Smith (Gramma) Key, both activities included in the General Management Plan for the site.

(1) La Estrella Fortress, the Avanzada Fort and the Communication Casematte:
These structures have been out of use since late 19th century and are now in a state of ruin. Urgent intervention is required to respond to threats posed by decay and erosion. It is proposed that the structures be consolidated with minimum intervention.

(2) Wood architecture in Smith (Gramma) Key:
Lack of systematic maintenance and deterioration of building materials (wood, tiles, zinc) seriously affects the values of the architecture of the settlement. It is furthermore threatened by over-population and urban infrastructure works. It is proposed to initiate the preservation process, to improve housing conditions and infrastructure, to create awareness among the population of the values of the site and support sustainable tourism.

Restoration works will be executed between January 1999 and January 2001.

Budget breakdown:
Total project budget: US$ 50,000
National or other input: in kind
Development of plans, supervision and labour will be provided by the national and local authorities.

Amount requested from Fund:

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<td>special pavement for defensive platforms</td>
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<td>pigment for treatment of surfaces</td>
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<td>archaeological specialized equipment</td>
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<th>Smith (Gramma) Key</th>
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<td>hard wood</td>
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<td>pitch pine wood</td>
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<td>pine wood scaffolds</td>
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<td>galvanized zinc roofing plates</td>
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- paint 3,440
- anticorrosive paint 640
- tacks 787
- hydrosanitary material 600
- electrical material 300

**Comments of the advisory bodies:** ICOMOS considered that the proposal has great merit and conforms well with the recommendations of the ICOMOS expert mission of 1997.

**Action by the Bureau:** The outgoing Bureau may wish to recommend that the Committee approve the total amount of US$ 50,000 requested for undertaking restoration and preservation measures for the San Pedro de la Roca Castle, Santiago de Cuba.
EGYPT (Rehabilitation Programme for Islamic Cairo)

World Heritage site concerned: Islamic Cairo

Previous World Heritage Fund contributions: A total of US$ 309,400 has been contributed to assist the State Party to protect this World Heritage site since 1979.

Preparatory assistance 1998 Meeting in Paris on Islamic Cairo (US$14,900)
Training 1998 Training Programme for Egypt's World Heritage Sites (US$ 19,900)
Technical co-operation 1979 Islamic Centre of Cairo (US$ 30,000)
1983 Islamic Cairo restoration (US$ 50,000)
1991 Islamic Cairo (US$ 25,600)
1998 Preparation of the Co-operation Programme for Historic Cairo (US$ 19,000)
1996 Restoration of Islamic Cairo (US$ 30,000)
1997 Restoration of Al Sihhri House, Islamic Cairo (US$ 20,000)
Emergency 1993 Assistance for restoration of Islamic Cairo after an earthquake (US$ 50,000)
1994 Assistance following an earthquake, for Islamic Cairo (US$ 50,000).

Summary description: The Bureau, at its 22nd ordinary session, encouraged the Egyptian authorities to present a strategy and a conservation programme for Islamic Cairo. Following a brainstorming session organized by WHC between the authorities and international specialists on Islamic Cairo held in June 1998 at the request of the Supreme Council of Antiquities of Egypt, "Strategic Guidelines for the rehabilitation of Historic Cairo" were established. Based on these guidelines and at the request of the authorities, WHC organized a mission to Cairo in October 1998 to prepare the first stages of the strategy and of a conservation programme. In order to resolve the various problems caused by rapid urban growth and social changes in one of the oldest and largest living cities, a project proposal to co-ordinate enhanced management, harmonizing national and international actions for safeguarding the heritage of Islamic Cairo, has been prepared by the mission together with practical recommendations for implementation. If financed with the assistance of the World Heritage Fund, this project will address the urgent need to improve and sustain Cairo's urban heritage by promoting an integrated revitalization process involving community participation and development, monuments rehabilitation, and upgrading and conservation of the urban architectural heritage.

The national authorities are committed at the highest level to (a) launch a declaration giving Islamic Cairo national priority and (b) contribute financially to this project an equal footing with the World Heritage Fund. Requested by the authorities, the Director General of UNESCO has accepted to participate in the declaration.
Meanwhile, the Government, based on previous studies and on the results of the June 1998 meeting have already embarked on large-scale infrastructure works: diversion of traffic circulation and implementation of new sewage networks (US$ 250 million for infrastructure and road works in Islamic Cairo for the five-year period 1998-2002).

The objectives of this proposed programme are:

1) Establishment of improved co-ordination between all public services involved, at Minister and Governor levels.
2) Designing of details of the programme for the revitalization and conservation of Islamic Cairo to be executed by the concerned national and international organizations.
3) Execution of community-based conservation projects in the old district, to encourage local community participation for the rehabilitation of the historical buildings.
4) Improving the living environment in the Gamalia area through community involvement, particularly aimed at environmental protection and rehabilitation of the conditions of habitations, which could serve as a model for community actions in other parts of Islamic Cairo.
5) Obtaining data and experience to elaborate the large-scale programme.

To reach the objectives listed above, the following activities will take place:

a) reinforcing co-ordination at the decision making and executive levels;
b) community awareness campaign, building on the activities of the Sustainable Development Programme in Egypt (SDPE);
c) establishment of a small grants facility to contribute to small-scale community-based rehabilitation works;
d) conservation and training programmes, including rehabilitation of public spaces and facades, improving sanitation;
e) urban community development programmes, including small-scale activities animated by a national UN Volunteer;
f) updating socio-economic data collected in surveys and studies conducted by SDPE;
g) organization of a donors’ meeting with UNDP to prepare for the enlargement of the scope of the project.

The project has a duration of 3 years, beginning January 1999. It will concentrate on the Gamalia area, which has a very high density of monuments, but will also address the whole of Historic Cairo. Funding from other UN agencies, multi or bi-lateral donors will be sought by mid 1999. The UN Resident Co-ordinator has agreed to take a lead in mobilizing resources for the enlarged integrated programme. Participating national bodies are the Ministry of Culture (Supreme Council of Antiquities), the Ministry of Development, the Ministry of Awqafs and the Governorate of Cairo.

Budget breakdown:

Total project budget over 3 years (estimate) US$ 1,620,000
National or other inputs for 1999 US$ 620,000
- National Ministries, concerned authorities 200,000
- UNDP (for the organization of the donors’ meeting) 20,000
- Bilateral co-operation projects directly related to this project 400,000
- Other bilateral cost-sharing or parallel fundings are expected from donor States such as Finland, Italy, The Netherlands and Spain while UNDP is committed to divert some of its on-going projects to contribute to Islamic Cairo

**Amount requested from the Fund over 3 years (1999-2001):**

- **US$ 200,000** is requested for 1999.

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<td>a) Project Personnel</td>
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<td>- Consultant/co-ordination (US$ 5,000/ month x 12 months)</td>
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<td>- Consultant/Action Programme ( international expert fee, travel, d.s.a. for 1 month, plus a national expert for 3 months @ US$ 2,500/month)</td>
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<td>- National UN Volunteer (community development, US$ 1,000x12 months)</td>
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<td>- National UN Volunteer (workshop manager @ US$ 1,000 x 12 months)</td>
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<td>b) Training Workshop in public space</td>
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<td>continuous restoration/rehabilitation work on selected buildings within the Gamalia area, involving the local community, home owners</td>
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<td>c) Workshop tools (building material, building tools and equipment)</td>
<td>10,000</td>
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<td>d) Office equipment (2 computers US$ 5,000, 2 mobile phones, telefax US$ 1,000, expendable equipment, stationary, etc. US$ 4,000)</td>
<td>10,000</td>
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<td>e) Small grant facility</td>
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<td>f) Miscellaneous</td>
<td>6,500</td>
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**Comments of the advisory bodies and the Secretariat:** ICOMOS’s comments were requested on 28 October 1998, and will be presented to the Bureau at its 22nd extraordinary session. The World Heritage Centre supports this request as it addresses the urgent need for the establishment of:

(a) an overall policy and improved co-ordination amongst international and national organizations working for safeguarding the site of Islamic Cairo,

(b) an integrated approach for the revitalization of Islamic Cairo and the participation of its population in the protection of its heritage.

However, taking into consideration the fact that the Islamic Cairo site had already received a total of US$ 309,400 from the Fund since 1979, it cannot recommend the approval of the full amount requested for 1999 nor the endorsement of a three-years cooperation programme before it is fully prepared. Regarding the budget for 1999, the World Heritage Centre considered that provided that ICOMOS supports this request, it recommends the approval of US$ 120,000 provided that the Government contributes an equal amount to this first-year.

The World Heritage Centre also recommends that the authorities submit to the 23rd session of the World Heritage Committee, the completed and finalized co-operation programme for subsequent years.
Action by the Bureau: The outgoing Bureau may wish to recommend that the Committee approves an amount of US$ 120,000 for 1999, taking into consideration the complexity of the site's conservation and under the conditions stated above on the national financial participation.
GHANA (Documentation research for Forts and Castles of Ghana)

World Heritage site concerned: Forts and Castles of Ghana

Previous World Heritage Fund contributions:

Summary description: The Ghana Museums and Monuments Board (GMMB) does not possess, at present, a comprehensive database on the World Heritage sites in Ghana. The information about the sites, currently available to the GMMB, needs to be completed, catalogued and better organised, preferably using a computerised database. This lack of the adequate data has been a serious constraint for the GMMB staff in the adequate conservation of the properties. The GMMB, confined by its small financial resources, is unable to address this issue unless assisted by external support. In this respect, the GMMB requests funds to be made available for the research on documentation on the Forts and Castles of Ghana. The request was submitted by GMMB.

The project has following objectives:
1. gather documentation (historical data, iconographic material, publications, etc.) on the Forts and Castles of Ghana, both in Ghana and abroad;
2. provide the GMMB staff and site managers, with a comprehensive database on the Forts and Castles and, subsequently, ensure a better management and conservation of the monuments within this World Heritage site;
3. establish a small computerised documentation centre at the National Museum in Accra;
4. give scholars and researchers better access to the material available on the Forts and Castles;
5. improve the presentation of the World Heritage site to the public.

In order to achieve these objectives, the following activities are proposed:
1. securing international expertise to gather the documentation abroad as well as to co-ordinate and supervise the implementation of the project;
2. employing a number of the GMMB staff to collect the documentation in Ghana;
3. purchasing of necessary equipment (computers, scanner, photocopy machine, etc.) for the newly created documentation centre.

Budget breakdown:

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<th>Total project budget</th>
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<td><strong>Total project budget</strong></td>
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<td><strong>a) International consultant - researcher and project co-ordinator</strong></td>
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<td>• fees, travel expenses</td>
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<td><strong>b) National Experts</strong></td>
<td><strong>US$ 7,500</strong></td>
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<td>• fees US$ 800/expert x 7</td>
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<td>• Accommodation, travel expenses</td>
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<td><strong>c) Copies in the libraries, purchase of documents</strong></td>
<td><strong>US$ 2,000</strong></td>
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<td><strong>d) Duplication of material</strong></td>
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<td><strong>e) Organization of documentation and binding</strong></td>
<td><strong>US$ 3,000</strong></td>
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<td><strong>f) Despatching documentation, communication etc.</strong></td>
<td><strong>US$ 1,000</strong></td>
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<td><strong>g) Equipment for the documentation centre</strong></td>
<td><strong>US$ 10,000</strong></td>
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Comments of the advisory bodies and the Secretariat: ICOMOS recommended that the project be approved on the condition that the Terms of Reference for the international consultant explicitly include a preliminary mission to Ghana to develop the proper policies for compilation, storage, handling and conservation of the collection. Other issues such as ensuring adequate and appropriate space, should also be addressed during this preliminary mission. Furthermore, the World Heritage Centre should also ascertain before the Committee approves the project that there is a trained staff member(s) at the GMMB (or staff who is willing to be trained) who would be assigned to the documentation centre. If training is necessary, an additional condition should be added to the Terms of Reference of the consultant for carrying out a basic training module with the selected staff.

The World Heritage Centre considers the creation of a documentation centre for the Forts and Castles an important step towards ensuring a proper preservation and conservation of this World Heritage site. The project was discussed with the GMMB director and staff during a UNESCO World Heritage Centre mission in July 1998, during which time the strong commitment of the Ghana authorities was underlined. The World Heritage Centre was assured that adequate space for the centre would be provided within the National Museum in Accra, and that GMMB staff would be trained during the implementation of the project, including the administrator of the centre. The World Heritage Centre supports this project as it falls within the framework of the AFRICA-2009 Programme, which is based upon the training strategy for the conservation of immovable cultural heritage for Sub-Saharan Africa, approved by the Committee at its 20th session. Furthermore, as the implementation will be in co-operation with ICCROM, the World Heritage Centre recommends approval of the funds.

Action by the Bureau: The outgoing Bureau may wish to recommend the approval of US$ 40,000 to the Committee, considering the importance of documenting historical data and iconographic material for enhanced management and conservation of the Forts and Castles of Ghana.
B.2.2.5  PERU  (Emergency Measures at the Lines and Geoglyphs of Nasca and Pampas de Jumana)

World Heritage site concerned: Lines and Geoglyphs of Nasca and Pampas de Jumana

Previous World Heritage Fund contributions:  None for this site.

Summary description:  Inscribed on the World Heritage List in 1994, the site is located along the Peruvian coast and has been affected by the El Nino phenomenon. The impact of the El Nino was aggravated by deficient drainage systems along the Pan-American Highway, which cuts through the site. This request, submitted by the National Institute for Culture (INC) via the Permanent Delegation of Peru to UNESCO, indicates that torrential rains of El Nino directly affect the lines, and water from the Pan-American Highway flows into the plains where the lines are located. INC wishes to improved the drainage system along the highway, with assistance from the World Heritage Fund. INC has informed the World Heritage Centre that a detailed evaluation of the conditions of the site is being undertaken and that, on the basis of the results of this assessment, a request for inscription on the List of World Heritage in Danger might be considered.

The main objective of the proposed project is to improve drainage along the Pan-American Highway over a length of 20 kilometers. To this end, cleaning and maintenance works will be undertaken as well as the construction of drainage systems.

Budget breakdown:

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<td>Preparation of works (transportation of equipment etc.)</td>
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<td>Cleaning and maintenance</td>
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<td>Excavation of drainage systems</td>
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<td>Finishing of drainage channels</td>
<td>US$ 2,542</td>
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<td>Overhead 15%</td>
<td>US$ 5,531</td>
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<td>IGV 18%</td>
<td>US$ 7,632</td>
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Comments of the advisory bodies and the World Heritage Centre:  ICOMOS advised on 9 July 1998 that it strongly supports the request and appreciates the need for assistance as a result of the impact of El Nino. The World Heritage Centre recommends approval of US$ 50,000 for this project.

Action by the Bureau:  The outgoing Bureau may wish to recommend the approval of US$ 50,000 to the Committee, under technical co-operation, to improve the drainage systems at the Lines and Geoglyphs of Nasca and Pampas de Jumana.
PHILIPPINES (GIS for enhanced management of the Rice Terraces of the Philippines Cordilleras)

World Heritage site concerned: Rice Terraces of the Philippines Cordilleras
Previous World Heritage Fund contributions:
Preparatory Assistance 1994 Nomination form formulation (US$ 13,200)

Summary description: The Ifugao Terraces Commission (IFC) has identified some preliminary causes of the deterioration of this site as follows; (a) agricultural and environmental constraints; (b) conversion of rice fields into vegetable gardens and residential areas; (c) low production of traditional rice varieties; (d) prevalence of destroyed traditional irrigation systems; (e) drying up of water sources for irrigation; (f) denudation of the watershed; (g) soil erosion; (h) existence of pests; and (i) absence of pathways and footbridges linking the farms to the market. In order to prepare and implement a conservation management plan for this site, it has been identified that new maps are crucially and urgently needed to provide essential management information concerning issues such as:

- location and area of abandoned terraces
- location and area of terraces remaining in agricultural use for traditional rice
- location and area of terraces replanted to recently introduced cash crop
- location, area and condition of private forests serving as buffer zones for the site
- location and size of traditional settlements
- location and extent of encroachment of new residential areas into agricultural land
- location and condition of streams, dams, irrigation canal network
- location and condition of existing pathways

The present project proposes to use GIS (Geographic Information Systems) computer based mapping, as a method for producing new maps needed for efficient and adequate management of the Rice Terraces of the Philippines. The step-by-step objectives of the project are the following:

1) produce adequate GIS maps and planning information for managing the site
2) train local technicians in GIS technology
3) establish on-site GIS facilities to service future needs specific to the site
4) based upon the basic background information, IFC will prepare a comprehensive site survey and management plan
5) based upon the results of 1) to 4), IFC will compile a cultural resource inventory and assessment
6) based upon the results of 1) to 4), IFC will zone the site, indicating precise boundaries between core and buffer zones, including building capacity of the people on land management
7) based upon the results of 1) to 4), IFC will conduct an environmental impact assessment for building the capacity of the local community in traditional and modern environmental management practices
8) based upon the results of 1) to 4), IFC will establish, rationalize and enforce a legal basis for ancestral domain claims while supporting national and regional land use plans

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9) Based upon the results of 1) to 4), IFC will support ecosystem-based approaches for sustainable livelihood opportunities, and introduce disaster management activities to reduce damage on life and property from natural disasters caused by degraded environments.

**Budget breakdown:**
(based upon exchange rate of US$ 1 = Philippine Pesos 42)

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<td>Project development officer [2 months x US$ 476]</td>
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<td>Project development officer [2 months x US$ 329]</td>
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<td>Engineer [2 months x US$ 348]</td>
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<td>Clerical support [2 months x US$ 188]</td>
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<td><strong>Personnel (b)</strong></td>
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<td>Team leader [2 months x US$ 1,190]</td>
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<td>Database specialist [2 months x US$ 714]</td>
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<td><strong>Other (a)</strong></td>
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<td>Office supplies [2 months x US$ 238]</td>
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<td>Gasoline [2 months x US$ 119]</td>
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<td>Vehicle maintenance [2 months x US$ 83]</td>
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<td><strong>Other (b)</strong></td>
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<td>1 page size desktop printer [US$ 714]</td>
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<td>1 A0 size inkjet plotter [US$ 9,524]</td>
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<td>ArcView GIS or substitute [US$ 2,262]</td>
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<td>Training 3 trainees [3 x US$ 238]</td>
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<td>Supplies [2 months x 714]</td>
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<td>[7.5% of subtotal not including cost of project vehicle]</td>
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<p>| <strong>Phase II (6 months)</strong> | 48,757 |
| <strong>Personnel (a)</strong> | 11,046 |
| Same cost as Phase I x 6 months | 11,046 |
| <strong>Personnel (b)</strong> | 22,146 |
| Same cost as Phase I x 6 months | 19,998 |</p>
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<td>Additional digitizer operator [6 months x US$ 179]</td>
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<td>Other (b)</td>
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**Phase III (8 months)**

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<td>Gathering of site data</td>
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<td>Travel on-site [8 months x US$ 238]</td>
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<td>Miscellaneous [7.5%]</td>
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**Total:** 67,534

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**National or other input [Personnel (a), Others (a)]:** in kind and US$ 50,208

- identification and recruitment of project co-ordinators, overseer, assistant and staff
- provision of project headquarters
- identification and recruitment of GIS contractors, resource persons and technical experts
- identification of existing material produced by governmental or non-governmental institutions

**Amount requested from Fund [Personnel (b), Others (b)]:** US$ 131,846

- fee for GIS contractors for expertise and training of IFC staff
- purchase of existing maps, satellite images, and other data available
- purchase of GIS equipment (computer hardware, software, scanner, office furniture, equipment and supplies)
- fee for government or non-governmental entity with necessary technical expertise and equipment to undertake the project, including provision of additional resources, and support by its home office expertise and facilities during the project and post-project phases.

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**Comments from the advisory bodies and the World Heritage Centre:** ICOMOS's comments will be presented at the 22nd extraordinary session of the Bureau. The World Heritage Centre is in consultation with the UNESCO equipment unit for verification of the cost of equipment and vehicle referred to in the present request. Furthermore, the World Heritage Centre is in consultation with the National Authorities of the Philippines to determine whether or not additional funding has been secured from other international organizations mentioned in the request, and will report on the findings of the consultation to the Bureau. Regarding the budget proposed, the World Heritage Centre cannot recommend approval for the total amount requested, due to the limited funds available from the World
Heritage Fund, and in view of paragraphs 109 and 110 of the *Operational Guidelines for the Implementation of the World Heritage Convention*. Provided ICOMOS supports this project, the World Heritage Centre recommends approval of up to US$ 50,000 for the procurement of computers and for funding part of the international expert services.

Action by the Bureau: The outgoing Bureau may wish to consider further information from ICOMOS and the World Heritage Centre and make a recommendation to the Committee accordingly.
B.2.2.7 SYRIAN ARAB REPUBLIC (Conservation Project for the Ancient City of Damascus)

World Heritage site concerned: Ancient City of Damascus
Previous World Heritage Fund contributions:
- Technical co-operation 1998 Conservation project for Tekiya Suleymaniah in the Ancient City of Damascus (US$ 18,000)

Summary description: The citadel of Damascus, especially its walls and towers, has been suffering from deterioration. The Director-General of Antiquities and Museum plans on starting a large-scale preservation project at the Citadel of Damascus in co-operation with Cairo University and submitted this present request, to prepare an overall management plan for the site for improving the site’s state of conservation. Aside from the activity proposed for funding in this request, the Syrian authorities have continued a preservation project at Tekiya Suleymaniah, in co-operation with ICCROM since 1995.

The objectives of this current project are to:
1) Prepare an overall management plan including the Citadel of Damascus, Great Mosque of the Umayyad, al-Hamidiah market, etc.
2) Formulate a conservation programme for the Citadel.
3) Execute pilot conservation projects in the Citadel.
4) Train young national experts through the project.

Budget breakdown:

Total project budget: US$ 250,000

- a) Mission of experts for preparing an overall management plan
  - 2 experts (architect, urban-planner) 30,000
- b) Technical equipment
  - communication tools, monitoring tools, etc. 20,000
- c) Formulating a conservation programme for the Citadel
  - contracting of 2 local experts (architect, urban-planner) for 12 months in Damascus 100,000
- d) Pilot conservation projects in Citadel
  - restoration of selected walls and towers 100,000

National or other input: US$ 200,000
Amount requested from the Fund: US$ 50,000

Comments of the advisory bodies and the World Heritage Centre: ICOMOS gives its supports to launch this project as the Syrian authorities plan to collaborate with Cairo University, one of the advanced institutions in the field of the Islamic monuments. The World Heritage Centre supports this project as it includes the establishment of the overall management plan for the site. However, it has requested the State Party for further information concerning the budget breakdown.
Action by the Bureau: The outgoing Bureau may wish to recommend the approval of USS 30,000 to the Committee, on the condition that the State Party submits the information concerning the budget breakdown.
B.2.2.8 TURKEY (Conservation work of the mosaics at Hagia Sophia)

World Heritage site concerned: Historic Areas of Istanbul

Previous World Heritage Fund contributions:

Technical co-operation
- 1983 Hagia Sophia mosaic conservation, Historic Areas of Istanbul (US$ 30,000)
- 1987 Photogrammetry equipment, Historic Areas of Istanbul (US$ 31,247)
- 1988 Equipment, Historic Areas of Istanbul (US$ 29,902)
- 1991 Hagia Sophia mosaic conservation, Historic Areas of Istanbul (US$ 20,000)
- 1994 Hagia Sophia, Historic Areas of Istanbul (US$ 20,000)
- 1994 Hagia Sophia mosaic restoration, Historic Areas of Istanbul (US$ 80,000)

Training
- 1987 Stone conservation training, Historic Areas of Istanbul (US$ 12,000)

Summary description: The conservation of the mosaics of the north-east section of the Hagia Sophia dome began in 1993 with the co-operation of an international team of specialists on mosaic conservation and experts from Central laboratory for Restoration and Conservation, Istanbul. Although these interventions are completed, the monument still needs support of high-level experts for the protection of the rest of the dome mosaics and painted surface decoration of mid-19th century and early 20th century.

Technical works to be undertaken with national financing are:
1) Preparing the 3/4 photogrammetric plans of the different surface decoration of the dome;
2) Analysis of material (mortar, stone, etc.);
3) Prepare project for the addressing structural problems concerning the central dome of Hagia Sophia;
4) Subsurface exploration through seismic tomography carried out by the Bosphorus University (Istanbul).

In this context the current proposal requests funds for the following:
- the international team, reinforced by trained conservators for the mosaics, relocate its scaffolding to the north-west section of the dome, and commence conservation work there;
- purchase of equipment and conservation material to continue with the mosaic conservation activity.

Technical works to be undertaken with assistance from the Fund with a group of six professionals with previous experience on mosaic would be:
1) Registration of the condition and type of the deterioration at the north-west section of the dome, through thermo-hygrograph measuring of relative humidity and temperature for environmental monitoring;
2) Study on the solvable salts;
3) Emergency interventions and conservation treatments on the mosaics at the north-west corner.

Equipment to be purchased are:
1) Radar to determine the extent of covered areas of mosaics (hidden beneath the later intervention layers);
2) 3D computer for the documentation of all areas of interior decoration for the decisions regarding the future treatment.

The request was submitted by the Ministry of Culture of the Government of Turkey, and endorsed by the Permanent Delegation of Turkey to UNESCO.

Budget breakdown:
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<td>• travel expenses (USS 1,600 x 8)</td>
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<td>b) Materials for conservation, restoration, other necessities</td>
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<td>c) Video filming</td>
<td>5,500</td>
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<tr>
<td>d) Material analyses (international laboratories)</td>
<td>3,000</td>
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<td>e) Preparing the photogrammetric plans of the different surface of the dome</td>
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<td>f) Project for the structural problems concerning the central dome of the Hagia Sophia</td>
<td>150,000</td>
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National or other input: (approximate)                                  | USS 300,000|

Amount requested from the Fund for 1999:                                 | USS 100,000|

(A total of USS 250,000 is requested from the Fund for 1999-2000)

Comments of the advisory bodies and the World Heritage Centre: ICCROM supports this request, but advised that the project execution be carefully monitored and activities adjusted as appropriate and necessary. The World Heritage Centre supports the continuation of this project considering the fact that a number of international institutions have been collaborating for this mosaic conservation at Hagia Sophia, one of the most important monuments composing the Historic Areas of Istanbul. However, due to the limited funds available from the World Heritage Fund, the World Heritage Centre recommends that the Committee requests the State Party to seek international expert services at a reduced fee, as already suggested by the World Heritage Centre, or seek other donors to co-fund this project. Considering the fact that USS 173,149 has been provided as assistance to this World Heritage site from the World Heritage Fund, including USS 130,000 specifically for the mosaic conservation at Hagia Sophia, the World Heritage Centre recommends the approval of up to USS 50,000 under technical co-operation for the continuation of the mosaic conservation works, recommending the Committee to urge the State Party to establish mechanisms for generating funds for this on-going large scale project. Finally, the World Heritage Centre recommends that the Committee remind the State Party on its decision in 1994 that the USS 80,000 approved in 1994 was considered sufficient to achieve the on-going work and given the amounts already granted in 1993 and 1994, this grant would not be further renewed.
**Action by the Bureau:** The outgoing Bureau may wish to recommend to the Committee, approval of **US$ 50,000** representing the last contribution for the conservation works for the mosaics of the Hagia Sophia within the Historic Areas of Istanbul.

**B.2.3 EMERGENCY ASSISTANCE**

No requests for approval by the Committee.
The following summarized requests were submitted by ICCROM, one of the advisory bodies of the World Heritage Committee. A total amount of US$ 288,470 is requested for approval. The World Heritage Centre recommends a total of US$ 275,000 to be recommended by the outgoing Bureau for approval by the World Heritage Committee. However, further clarifications, information from other advisory bodies, and UNESCO field offices were being sought at the time of production of this working document. Therefore, the outgoing Bureau may wish to consider additional information at the time of the meeting, and make a recommendation to the Committee accordingly.
ICCCROM 1 AFRICA-2009: Conservation of immovable cultural heritage in Sub-Saharan Africa

World Heritage sites concerned: World Heritage cultural sites in Sub-Saharan Africa

Previous World Heritage Fund contributions: ICCROM received assistance for a related training activity in 1996:

- Training 1996 Co-financing for the organization of a seminar “Conservation of Immovable Property in Sub-Sahara, Africa”, to identify scientific partners for thematic approaches for the preservation of stone, brick, wood conservation and archaeological sites (US$ 50,000)

Summary description: The AFRICA-2009 programme, a joint initiative of the World Heritage Centre, ICCROM and CRATerre-EAG, is aimed at improving the conditions for the conservation of immovable cultural property in Sub-Saharan Africa through better integrating it into a process of sustainable development. AFRICA-2009 was developed as the operational step of the “Training Strategy for Immovable Cultural Heritage in Africa South of the Sahara”, approved by the World Heritage Committee at its 20th session in Merida, Mexico in 1996. The programme, therefore, should be seen as carrying out the overall strategy of the World Heritage Committee for training immovable cultural heritage professionals in Sub-Saharan Africa, in partnership with ICCROM and CRATerre-EAG which is experienced in conservation of earthen architecture in Africa.

AFRICA-2009 was launched in March 1998 in Abidjan, Cote d’Ivoire, at a meeting attended by cultural heritage professionals from 9 countries in the region and selected representatives of bilateral and multilateral development agencies. The need for increased professional capacity in the region and improved conservation conditions of World Heritage sites was highlighted in particular at this meeting. At its 22nd ordinary session, the Bureau of the World Heritage Committee was informed by ICCROM of the new programme that had been developed in co-operation with the World Heritage Centre for the conservation of immovable cultural heritage in Sub-Saharan Africa, as a result of this meeting. The new programme can be seen as part of a long-term strategy for increasing the representation of African sites on the World Heritage List.

This current proposal requests funds for several activities within the framework of AFRICA-2009. These include:

1. Three months course on national policies for conservation, heritage management and technical issues related to conservation (in English).

   The course is tentatively scheduled to take place in Mombasa, Kenya from May through July 1999. Development of the curriculum for the course is still in its early stages. At this point, however, it is possible to give indications as to the areas that will be covered during the three month period. The first part of the course would deal with the national policies necessary to promote conservation within a sustainable development framework. The second part of the course would focus on methodologies for the development of management plans for buildings, sites, urban areas, and other types of immovable cultural heritage. A third part would deal with technical issues related to conservation.

2. One week seminar to take place in a French speaking country.
It is tentatively scheduled to take place in a French speaking country in the second half of 1999. The exact location and date of the seminar would be decided by the co-ordination committee of AFRICA-2009. The topic would also be chosen by the committee.

3. Networking and promoting activities.
One of the objectives of the AFRICA 2009 programme is to create a network of communication which will enable exchange of information, specialized knowledge, and best practices amongst professionals in Africa and those of other regions.

**Budget breakdown:**

**Total project budget:**

1. Course on national policy for conservation, heritage management and technical issues related to conservation: 150,000
2. One week seminar to take place in a French speaking country: 50,000
3. Networking and promotional activities:
   a) design, layout, printing of information in French 3,500
   b) design, publication of World Wide Web page 3,500
   c) publication of AFRICA 2009 newsletter 6,000
4. General programme expenses: (details not indicated, but apparently more than US$ 5,000, requested from Fund)

**National or other input:**

Details not indicated

**Amount requested from the Fund:**

1. Course on national policy for conservation, heritage management and technical issues related to conservation: US$ 218,000
   
   (a) Preparatory mission (1 expert x 1 week) 3,080
   travel (1 x US$ 2,000) 2,000
   per diem (1 x 7 days x US$ 140) 980
   visas/airport tax/ incidentals 100
   (b) Guest lecturers (10 persons x 1 week) 39,800
   travel (10 x 2,000) 20,000
   per diem (10 x 7 days x US$ 140) 9,800
   honoraria (10 x US$ 1,000) 10,000
   (c) AFRICA 2009 programme staff (3 staff) 25,100
   travel (3 x US$ 2,000) 6,000
   accommodation (3 month x US$ 1,000) 3,000
   per diem (3 x 90 days x US$ 30) 8,100
   (d) Resources/teaching materials 8,000
   (e) Social activities 3,500
   inauguration & closing (US$ 1,500 x 2) 3,000
   other functions 500
   (f) office expenses (tel, fax, etc.) 2,520
   (i) final report 1,000
   
   2. One week seminar to take place in a French speaking country: 10,000
   (a) Participants' travel 7,000
   (5 participants x US$ 1,400) 3,000
   (b) per diem (5 x 6 days x US$ 100)
3. Networking and promotional activities: 10,000  
(a) Promotional package in French  3,500  
(b) design and publication of WorldWideWeb page  4,000  
(c) AFRICA 2009 newsletter  2,500  
4. General programme expenses: 5,000  

**Comments of the World Heritage Centre:** The World Heritage Centre fully supports this activity as a first step in the implementation of the "Training Strategy for Immovable Cultural Heritage in Africa South of the Sahara" approved by the World Heritage Committee at its 20th session in 1996, and as it is a concrete proposal which directly resulted from the meeting held in Abidjan in 1998 for the conservation of immovable cultural heritage in Sub-Saharan Africa, funded by the World Heritage Fund.
ICROM 2  Building Management Capacity for World Heritage sites:

Sub-activity 2.1 PAT 99 - Second Pan-American Course on the Conservation and Management of Earthen Architectural and Archaeological Heritage

World Heritage site concerned: Earthen architectural and archaeological World Heritage sites in the Latin American and Caribbean region

Previous World Heritage Fund contribution: The First Pan-American Course on the Conservation and Management of Earthen Architectural and Archaeological Heritage was held at the World Heritage site of Chan Chan in Peru. This course received World Heritage Fund assistance for an amount of US$ 40,000 in 1996.

Summary description: The earthen architectural and archaeological heritage of the Americas constitutes a vast unique and very fragile part of the memory and the patrimony of many countries of Latin America. Composed mainly of a variety of earthen building techniques and often of polychrome decorated surfaces, this heritage is extremely susceptible to decay and seriously endangered. Climatic conditions (El Nino) and seismic risk, lack of trained staff and site managers in appropriate preservation techniques result in irreparable loss of this heritage.

In response to this situation, the first Pan-American Course on the Conservation and Management of Earthen Architectural and Archaeological Heritage was held at the World Heritage site of Chan Chan in Peru in 1996. A second course is proposed to be held in Chan Chan in 1999. The course proposed consists of an intensive 6-week cycle of specialized professional training in-situ. The course programme is structured around a core curriculum that promotes an interdisciplinary methodology for the conservation and management of earthen architectural and archaeological heritage, and is jointly organized by the National Institute for Culture of Peru, CRATerre-EAG, ICCROM and the Getty Conservation Institute.

Direct target beneficiaries: The target group for the course is 25-30 conservation professionals from the Americas with backgrounds in anthropology, archaeology, architecture, engineering and other conservation related disciplines, with at least three years experience in their relevant fields.
## Budget breakdown:
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### National or other input: **US$ 375,820**

**Amount requested from the Fund:** **US$ 78,470**

- One instructor (6 weeks @ US$ 1,000/week + 5% assessment) and three assistant instructors (3 x 6 weeks @ US$500/week + 5% assessment) from Latin America: **US$ 15,750**
- Daily subsistence allowance for instructor and assistants (42 days @ US$ 120/day + 5% assessment): **US$ 5,300**
- Travel for instructor (Mexico RT): **US$ 950**
- Accommodation and meals for 18 participants @ US$ 2,300/participant + 5% assessment: **US$ 43,470**
- Equipment (cost + 5% assessment): **US$ 13,000**

### Comments of the World Heritage Centre:
The World Heritage Centre supports the organization of the second Pan-American Course on the Conservation and Management of Earthen Architectural and Archaeological Heritage. Further details concerning the equipment to be purchased was requested and will be presented to the Bureau.
Sub-activity 2.2  ITUC Programme for the implementation of the World Heritage Convention

World Heritage site concerned: All World Heritage cultural sites.

Summary description: ICCROM's Integrated Territorial and Urban Conservation (ITUC) Programme was established in 1995 as a means of improving the capacity of institutions and individuals to better manage the cultural heritage aspects of historic settlements, both rural and urban. ITUC works at two levels;

(i) it seeks to support and develop capacity-building initiatives at regional levels, and;

(ii) it seeks at intervals to gather and synthesize regional lessons at the international level for dissemination and sharing. ITUC has established regional initiatives in Vilnius, Lithuania (for the Baltic region, Belarus and Ukraine), Recife, Brazil (for part of Latin America), and in Sydney, Australia (for South-East Asia). A series of courses, seminars, and exchanges have taken place within these regions and more are being planned within a 5-8 year cycle. At the international level, a first international workshop (8.5 weeks) took place at ICCROM in 1997. A second workshop (6.5 weeks) is planned for mid 1999.

Assistance from the World Heritage Fund for 3 capacity-building initiatives under the ITUC Programme is requested for 1999.

Sub-activity 2.2 (a) Central Europe urban conservation and management training course

Previous World Heritage Fund contribution:

Summary description: A 1-week course will be organized in close co-operation with the regional secretariat of OVPM established in Budapest, with the Budapest office of the Canadian Urban Institute and with the Hungarian authorities responsible for the Eger summer course, now given for over 30 years in Eger/Nosvaj. The course will be the core event of the 1999 Eger summer course, with approximately 65 participants anticipated from Bulgaria, Romania, Hungary, Slovenia, Serbia, Croatia, Slovakia, and the Czech Republic. The objective is to apply lessons learned in the 1997-1998 short urban conservation training courses in the Baltic and North-East European region, for the benefit of managers and professionals involved with historic cities in Central Europe and the Balkans.

Budget breakdown:
Total project budget: not indicated
Amount requested from the Fund: US$ 20,000
- invited lecturers (travel, accommodation, fees, per diem) 8,000
- invited participants from World Heritage settlements in the region (travel, accommodation, per diem) 6,000
- development and translation of course material 4,000
- interpretation during the course

Other input: 2,000
not indicated

Comments of the World Heritage Centre: Comments will be presented to the new Bureau.
Sub-activity 2.2 (b) ITUC Latin American Regional Seminar

**Previous World Heritage Fund contribution:** Training assistance to the ITUC-Brazil Programme was provided for the organization of four-months training courses in 1997-1998 (US$ 40,000) and is requested for 1999-2000 (US$ 49,900) under request B.2.1.1 of this working document WHC-98/CONF.202/6.

**Summary description:** The ITUC/BR (Integrated Territorial and Urban Conservation, Brazil Programme) was established in 1997 with the creation of the Centre for the Territorial and Urban Conservation (CECI) at the Federal University of Pernambuco in Recife. During the 1997-1998 period, CECI organised two training courses as well as the International Seminar on Integrated Conservation and Urban Sustainable Development (October 1998). A small seminar to be held in October 1999 is proposed by ICCROM, to be held in Olinda, Brazil, involving a small number of the field’s key practitioners in the region and a number of managers from World Heritage cities most concerned with the phenomenon of downloading responsibilities from national to municipal levels for conservation. The goal of the seminar is to address this issue and to examine how best to adapt to this changing political context for conservation. The seminar would result in a set of practical management guidelines and suggestions for dealing with the situation.

**Budget breakdown:**
- Travel, accommodation, per diem for eight participants: US$ 14,000
- Development and translation of course material: US$ 2,000
- Interpretation: US$ 2,000
- Dissemination of seminar results: US$ 2,000

**Amount requested from the Fund:** US$ 20,000

**Other input:**
( Partners have been indicated but not their individual contributions; Brazil, Federal University of Pernambuco, OVPM (Regional Secretariat in Guanajuato), World Bank, ICCROM.)

**Comments of the World Heritage Centre:** Comments will be presented to the new Bureau.
Sub-activity 2.2 (c)  ITUC '99 – second international ITUC workshop

Summary description: Approximately 20 participants, drawn from both ITUC’s regional programmes and from applications from all parts of the world are expected to attend this workshop, scheduled for May 13- June 26 1999, in Rome. The course is currently being advertised and applications solicited; workshop re-design is currently underway, based on the lessons gained during the first ITUC workshop. As international ITUC events are critical to the development of the ITUC strategy, in that they;
• help build up networks of individuals confronting common problems;
• help synthesize key issues and approaches of the field, and provide a forum of sharing these matters and experiences;
• backstop regional programmes, drawing insight from regional experiences and generating new ideas for possible application at local levels.

Assistance from the World Heritage Fund is requested for funding the participants from developing countries, to assist in the costs of lecturers, and to produce and disseminate state-of-the-art documentation resulting from the workshop discussion of this second workshop. This assistance, if approved, will compliment assistance from the European Union (25,000 ECUs) for scholarships for European participants, and ICCROM’s budget for project support.

Budget breakdown:
Amount requested from the Fund: US$ 30,000

• support for 3 invited lecturers 8,000
  (includes travel, accommodation, per diem, fees)
• support for participants from non-European countries 18,000
  (includes travel, but not accommodation; 12 x US$ 1,500)
• support for development and dissemination of state-of-the-art workshop publication 4,000

Other input:
ICCRom 60,000
(Other partners; EU (25,000 ECUs), OVPM, ITUC Regional Programmes in Vilnius, Recife, and Sydney, University of Montreal.)

Comments of the World Heritage Centre: Comments will be presented to the new Bureau.
ICCROM 3 Strategic Training Initiatives in the Implementation of the World Heritage Convention

ICCROM has envisioned a number of strategic training initiatives which could aid the implementation of the World Heritage Convention. ICCROM distinguishes these initiatives from the site or region specific activities proposed in the requests ICCROM 1 and 2.

Sub-activity 3.1 Development of global training strategy

Summary description: ICCROM proposes to develop a regional training strategy for the South-East Asian region, building upon the results of previous studies carried out by ICOMOS, GCI and by World Heritage authorities and site managers. While the study would address the full range of sites on the World Heritage List, inevitably, it would emphasize the state of the region’s human settlements, home to a high proportion of the planet’s inhabitants. A regional training strategy analysis is proposed, focusing on the region’s high priority needs, highlighting significant potentials and opportunities.

ICCROM proposes to develop this South-East Asian training strategy with the aid of a consultant, and a small expert seminar to guide research synthesis. Partners are expected to include representatives from UNESCO field offices in South-East Asia, the ITUC regional programme in South-East Asia, and OVPM (and its soon-to-be-established secretariat in the region).

Budget breakdown:
Total project budget: US$ 25,000

Amount requested from the Fund: US$ 25,000

- consultant (fees, expenses for approx. 6 weeks) US$ 9,000
- expert seminar (participation for 5 experts) US$ 14,000
- logistical support for the meeting US$ 2,000

Other inputs: not indicated

Comments of the World Heritage Centre and UNESCO Field Offices: The World Heritage Centre, although appreciating the pro-active approach of ICCROM to develop a training strategy for the South-East Asian region, and recognizing the need to analyze the training needs of this region, considers it highly important that the World Heritage Centre, and national authorities and site-managers of the South-East Asian States Parties be fully involved in the process of such an activity. For natural heritage sites in South-East Asia, a comprehensive training needs analysis of World Heritage site-managers in relation to local community participation in the management of natural sites is being undertaken by a New Zealand based consultancy group (CONTOURS). This analysis was requested jointly by South-East Asian States Parties (Australia, Cambodia, Fiji, Indonesia, Malaysia, Myanmar, New Zealand, Papua New Guinea, Philippines, Solomon Islands, Thailand, Vietnam) at the Regional Workshop on the role of local communities in the management of natural World Heritage sites in January 1998. Furthermore, the World Heritage Centre, in co-operation with UNEP (United Nations Environmental Programme), is implementing the development of training manuals (e.g. training manual for sustainable tourism development for site-managers for both cultural and natural World Heritage sites in Asia). Therefore, direct consultation and involvement of the World Heritage Centre is desirable for such a development of a strategy for the South-East Asian region. Comments from the UNESCO Regional Offices in South-East Asia are being sought. Further comments will be presented at the time of the meeting.
Taking into consideration further information, the World Heritage Centre may recommend that this proposal be reformulated with the World Heritage Centre, for presentation to the 23rd session of the Bureau.

**Sub-activity 3.2 Scientific Development of the World Heritage Convention**

**Concerned World Heritage sites:** All sites inscribed on the World Heritage List.

**Summary description:** ICCROM wishes to further scientific development of the World Heritage Convention through the production of training materials and references.

Reference manual of methodologies for assessing the state of conservation of World Heritage sites:


**Summary description:** The project proposal submitted by ICCROM states: "Discussions within the World Heritage Committee and the UNESCO General Conference over the last several years have clarified the framework at the political level within which reporting on the state of conservation of World Heritage sites is to take place. It now seems appropriate to pick up a number of the scientific efforts which were deferred at the onset of the recent political discussions in order to provide national authorities and site managers with an authoritative guide to best practices in assessing the state of conservation of sites. (...) ICCROM would propose, in collaboration with ICOMOS, to develop a reference manual of the various approaches / methodologies developed in the last decade for assessing the state of conservation of inscribed cultural sites, to provide guidance for those planning to undertake similar exercises in the future. (...) Consideration should also be given to the inclusion of similar material for natural sites with the collaboration of IUCN."

ICCROM proposes to develop a Reference manual of methodologies for assessing the state of conservation of World Heritage sites by inviting contributions from those with relevant experiences; the volume would be supervised and edited jointly by the ICOMOS and ICCROM World Heritage co-ordinators. Partners mentioned in the request are: ICOMOS, World Heritage Centre, ICCROM, possibly IUCN. The timeframe for the preparation of the publication (in the quality of ICOMOS Occasional Papers Series) is established from January to December 1999.

**Budget breakdown:**

**Total project budget:** US$ 15,000

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Comments from the other advisory bodies: ICOMOS supports this request. IUCN supports this proposal, considering it an excellent opportunity to enhance co-operation between the three advisory bodies. IUCN states that the reference manual should be clearly linked with what is required under the Operational Guidelines in relation to regular monitoring and the preparation of state of conservation reports by the States Parties. It also stresses the importance that the manual helps States Parties to identify clear actions from the assessment that would enhance the conservation and management of their properties, therefore, making it a practical document, particularly in relation to maintaining those values that justify the inclusion of the site on the World Heritage List. To achieve this, the proposal should clearly identify the target audience of the manual. Although the ICCROM proposal is directed to both national authorities and site-managers, IUCN points out that the manual should be tailored to meet the different needs of these two audiences, accordingly.

On the other hand, IUCN points out that the manual could be an important tool for NGOs and research institutions involved in World Heritage matters. IUCN furthermore suggests that having contributions from different authors may not be the best way to proceed in the compilation of the manual. IUCN suggests that US$ 8,000 to US$ 10,000 should be provided separately for organizing a brainstorming session between ICCROM, ICOMOS, IUCN and the World Heritage Centre, to conceptualize the whole manual, and to clearly identify the most effective way of implementation. Therefore, IUCN suggests a two-phase approach, first determining the most effective manner in which to proceed, and secondly to actually prepare and publish it. Furthermore, IUCN proposes that, considering the key role such a manual could play in enhancing the capacity of States Parties to regularly assess the state of conservation and improve management, a financial provision for testing the manual should be included. During this testing period in a limited number of countries, feedback would be collected to improve the manual and incorporated into the manual text. IUCN also notes that for further application of the manual, it would be desirable to have a provision for training and capacity building for the manual’s use.

Comments of the World Heritage Centre: The World Heritage Centre considers the concept of the proposal valid and relevant. It recommends, however, that such publication be prepared in a true partnership between the World Heritage Centre and the three advisory bodies so as to reflect pertinent decisions taken by the World Heritage statutory bodies, as well as experiences in both the cultural and the natural heritage fields. The World Heritage Centre agrees with IUCN in the desirability of having a brainstorming session between the three advisory bodies and the World Heritage Centre for conceptualizing the manual, as a first step. Furthermore, it supports IUCN’s suggestion to proceed with this activity in three stages. Therefore, the World Heritage Centre recommends the approval of US$ 8,000 for funding this brainstorming session, the first step to identify the best procedure in producing such a manual. Based upon the results of the first step, proposals could be made to the 23rd session of the Bureau.
Table 2  Synthesis table showing all requests for international assistance received as of 1 October 1998 (in US$), including the requests for approval by the Chairperson which are not presented in Working Document WIIC-98/CONF.202/6.

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<td>Regional capacity building training workshop for the promotion of awareness in natural heritage conservation</td>
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<td>40,000, subject to the State Party submitting to the World Heritage Centre and IUCN, a revised proposal with well-focused and clearly defined objectives, better definition of target groups, exact dates for the workshop and links to IUCN/WCPA's activities for the Arab region. The workshop should include a field exercise component where workshop participants would review the status of the management planning and boundary demarcation project for the Arabian Oryx Sanctuary, and prepare a report for submission to the 23rd session of the Committee in 1999.</td>
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<td>48,528</td>
<td>48,528, requesting IUCN and the World Heritage Centre to co-operate with the State Party in refining the structure and objectives of the training workshop. Furthermore, the Bureau may wish to recommend the Committee to request that the State Party submit a report on the results of the training activity to the 23rd session of the Committee in 1999.</td>
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<td>40,220</td>
<td>30,000, as a contribution to the organization of Phase 1 of the project development workshop. The Bureau may wish to recommend the Committee to endorse WCMC’s efforts to seek additional funding from the Darwin Initiative for the implementation of Phases 2 and 3 of the training activity.</td>
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<td>73,000</td>
<td>45,000 for the purchase of two 4-wheel drive vehicles, on the condition that the State Party (a) pays its contributions to the World Heritage Fund for 1997, (b) acknowledges receipt of and provides inventory of equipment already received in 1998, and (c) finalize all administrative matters regarding the equipment purchase project funded by the US$ 50,000 approved by the Committee in 1997, to the World Heritage Centre.</td>
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Turkey (Technical Co-operation for the “House of Faith Inhabitants” within the Historic Centre of Istanbul)

The Chairperson noted that the request did not clearly show whether the State Party had submitted this request or not, noting that the Municipality of Fatih of Istanbul had prepared and submitted this project. In the same sense, the Observer of Argentina stated that international assistance requests, as well as proposals for nominations, should only be submitted by the competent national authorities representing States Parties to the World Heritage Convention. The Secretariat informed the Bureau that the request was prepared by the Municipality of Fatih (being the site management authority) and was submitted by the Turkish National Commission as well as the Permanent Delegation of Turkey to UNESCO, both official representatives of the Government of Turkey to UNESCO (under cover letters dated 25 May 1998 and 27 May 1998, respectively).

The Chairperson informed the Bureau that several delegates had questioned where the districts of Zeyrek, Fener and Balat were located within the Historic Centre of Istanbul site. He questioned the validity of approving international assistance requests for areas outside of the core zones of World Heritage sites. The Delegate of Japan noted that many sites inscribed on the World Heritage List in the early years of the Convention lacked adequate documentation, particularly maps delineating the protected area and buffer zones. She questioned whether international assistance should be refused for this reason.

The Secretariat and ICOMOS confirmed that Zeyrek is located within the core zone, while Fener and Balat are located within the buffer zone of this World Heritage site, all three being in the Fatih District, as stated in the Working Documents WHC-98/CONF.201/3B (on state of conservation) and WHC-98/CONF.201/6Rev. (on international assistance). ICOMOS and ICCROM reiterated their strong and full support for this request, underlining the crucial need to protect the urban historic fabric and buffer zones composing the essential setting of World Heritage monuments and buildings. Both advisory bodies stressed the need to promote the active participation of the local inhabitants in maintaining the integrity of urban conservation areas, which require not only the preservation of historic monuments but also of vernacular buildings of architectural value. ICCROM emphasized the importance of this project to strengthen the local management capacity. The Delegate of Japan supported this view, stating the need for the inhabitants’ involvement to preserve the historic urban fabric.

The Delegate of Lebanon suggested that this request be approved on the condition that the Chairperson be authorized to clear the questions raised by the Bureau concerning the location of the districts of Zeyrek, Fener and Balat. The Chairperson stated that he did not feel competent to study cadastral maps.

The Delegate of Lebanon, furthermore, requested clarification between this activity and the UNESCO International Safeguarding Campaign of the Historic Centre of Istanbul. The Director of the Division of Cultural Heritage, being responsible for the implementation of this Campaign, informed the Bureau that the Division had so far mobilized funds for the conservation of historic monuments and buildings within this site, such as Hagia Sophia and its mosaics.

The Delegate of Italy stated that she wished to view further detailed information of the project budget breakdown and that the Bureau should not consider this request until such information was provided. The Observer of France confirmed the financial contribution by the Government of France for this project, as indicated in the Document WHC-98/CONF.201/6Rev., specifying that the Ministry of Equipment had made this commitment. The Secretariat noted that the detailed breakdown of the total budget of US$ 170,920 was indicated in the afore-mentioned Document, including the details of the US$ 30,000 requested from the World Heritage Fund.

The Chairperson stated that he did not wish to have an international assistance request approved by the Bureau during his Chairmanship without thorough examination of all necessary details. Furthermore, he underlined the need to be careful in providing international assistance from the World Heritage Fund for the preservation of World Heritage sites within the context of social development projects. The Observer of Finland expressed his agreement with the Chairperson, supporting the view that new usage of the World Heritage Fund should not be created. The Director of the World Heritage Centre stated that there was ample cartographic and socioeconomic information on the site in the study undertaken in the European Commission/UNESCO/Fatih project, and that protection of the architectural fabric of historic urban centres could
not be separated from the social development of the inhabitants.

Finally, the Bureau postponed the approval of this request for US$ 30,000 to its twenty-second extraordinary session. The Bureau requested that maps clearly indicating the core and buffer zone of the Historic Centre of Istanbul as well as further detailed budget breakdown information be submitted to the Bureau for its examination.