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**CONVENTION CONCERNING THE PROTECTION OF THE WORLD CULTURAL
AND NATURAL HERITAGE**

BUREAU OF THE WORLD HERITAGE COMMITTEE

Twenty-sixth session

**Paris, UNESCO Headquarters, Room IV
8 - 13 April 2002**

DECISION-MAKING GUIDE

Note: An information meeting on the UN Year for Cultural Heritage will be held on Wednesday 10 April at 11.00 am in Room XI.

AGENDA ITEM 1

OPENING OF THE SESSION BY THE DIRECTOR - GENERAL OF UNESCO OR HIS REPRESENTATIVE

The twenty-sixth session of the Bureau of the World Heritage Committee will be opened by **Mr Mounir Bouchenaki**, Assistant Director-General for Culture of UNESCO

AGENDA ITEM 2

ADOPTION OF THE AGENDA AND THE TIMETABLE

Relevant documents:

Provisional Agenda and Timetable
WHC-02/CONF.201/1 Rev

Please note:

The Bureau session will be open only to Bureau members, observer States Parties, and, with the consent of the Bureau, other observers who have requested observer status in writing.

Action required:

Prior to the Chairperson asking the Bureau to adopt the Provisional Agenda and Timetable he will deliver a brief speech to the Bureau.

If changes are adopted by the Bureau a revised agenda and timetable will be circulated.

AGENDA ITEM 3

NOMINATIONS TO BE EXAMINED BY THE WORLD HERITAGE COMMITTEE IN 2003: STATUS OF NOMINATIONS RECEIVED BY THE WORLD HERITAGE CENTRE

Relevant documents:

Nominations to be examined by the World Heritage Committee in 2003: Status of Nominations received by the World Heritage Centre
WHC-02/CONF.201/3

Action required:

The 25th session of the Committee agreed that if more than 30 complete nominations were received by the Centre by 1 February 2002 the matter would be referred to the April 2002 Bureau for guidance. Since this is not the case, this document is presented to the Bureau for information only.

The Bureau may wish to,

- (i) reflect on the overall conclusions presented in this document;
- (ii) make recommendations to the 26th session of the World Heritage Committee concerning the selection of nominations to be examined by the Committee in 2003 and,
- (iii) make recommendations to the 26th session of the World Heritage Committee to establish a priority system to limit the number of nominations to be examined by the Committee in 2004.

AGENDA ITEM 4

POLICY/Legal ISSUES CONCERNING INSCRIPTION OF PROPERTIES ON THE LIST OF WORLD HERITAGE IN DANGER AND THE POTENTIAL DELETION OF PROPERTIES FROM THE WORLD HERITAGE LIST

Relevant documents:

Policy and legal issues concerning the inscription of World Heritage properties on the List of World Heritage in Danger and the potential deletion of properties from the World Heritage List
WHC-02/CONF.201/4

Action required:

The Bureau may wish to make a recommendation as to how this item of the Provisional Agenda should be examined by the twenty-sixth session of the World Heritage Committee (Budapest, 24-29 June 2002).

AGENDA ITEM 5

ORAL REPORT ON THE PROGRESS FOR THE REVISION OF THE *OPERATIONAL GUIDELINES*

Relevant documents:

Not applicable

The Chairperson of the World Heritage Committee will make a brief presentation.

Action required:

The Bureau may wish to make a recommendation as to how this item of the Provisional Agenda should be examined by the twenty-sixth session of the World Heritage Committee.

AGENDA ITEM 6

WORLD HERITAGE VISUAL IDENTITY AND LEGAL PROTECTION OF THE EMBLEM

Relevant documents:

World Heritage Visual Identity and Legal Protection of the Emblem
WHC-02/CONF.201/5

World Heritage visual identity and legal protection of the Emblem: Draft of User's Manual of the World Heritage Visual Identity
WHC-02/CONF.201/INF.4

Action required:

The Bureau is requested to examine and take note of the information contained in **WHC-02/CONF.201/5**.

AGENDA ITEM 7

PROGRESS REPORT ON THE ANALYSES OF THE WORLD HERITAGE LIST AND TENTATIVE LISTS AND THE IDENTIFICATION OF UNDERREPRESENTED CATEGORIES OF NATURAL AND CULTURAL HERITAGE

Relevant documents:

Progress report on the analyses of the World Heritage List and Tentative Lists and the identification of underrepresented categories of natural and cultural heritage
WHC-02/CONF.201/6

ICOMOS AND IUCN will make brief presentations.

Action required:

The Bureau is requested to:

- (i) note progress made in the preparation of analyses of the World Heritage List and Tentative Lists and the identification of underrepresented categories of natural and cultural heritage; and,
- (ii) transmit this progress report to the 26th session of the World Heritage Committee (Budapest, 24-29 June 2002) for noting.

AGENDA ITEM 8

DISCUSSION ON THE RELATIONSHIP BETWEEN THE WORLD HERITAGE COMMITTEE AND UNESCO

Relevant documents:

Discussion on the relationship between the World Heritage Committee and UNESCO
WHC-02/CONF.201/7

Action required:

The Bureau may wish to:

- (i) confirm that the issues presented in the document are accurately identified; and,
- (ii) make recommendations as to how this item of the Provisional Agenda should be examined by the twenty-sixth session of the World Heritage Committee (Budapest, 24-29 June 2002).

AGENDA ITEM 9

PROGRESS REPORT ON THE PREPARATION OF THE PROPOSED STRATEGIC ORIENTATIONS OF THE WORLD HERITAGE COMMITTEE AND REVISED STRUCTURE OF THE BUDGET OF THE WORLD HERITAGE FUND

Relevant documents:

Progress report on the preparation of the proposed Strategic Orientations of the World Heritage Committee and revised structure of the budget of the World Heritage Fund.
WHC-02/CONF.201/8

Action required:

The Bureau is requested to:

- (i) review and take note of the progress report; and,
- (ii) make a recommendation to the 26th session of the World Heritage Committee indicating a proposed process, participants and timetable for the finalisation of new Strategic Orientations (Strategic Plan) and a revised structure of the budget of the World Heritage Fund.

AGENDA ITEM 10

PROGRESS REPORT ON THE PREPARATION OF THE BUDAPEST DECLARATION ON WORLD HERITAGE

Relevant documents:

Progress report on the preparation of the Budapest Declaration on World Heritage.
WHC-02/CONF.201/9

Action required:

The Bureau is requested to:

- (i) agree on the purpose of, and target audience(s) for, the Budapest Declaration;
- (ii) agree on a process for the drafting of the Budapest Declaration to ensure its timely submission to the 26th session of the World Heritage Committee (24-29 June 2002) for discussion and adoption; and,
- (iii) recommend to the 26th session of the Committee a communication strategy for the future dissemination of the Budapest Declaration.

AGENDA ITEM 11

PROGRESS REPORT ON THE ORGANIZATION OF EVENTS TO CELEBRATE THE 30TH ANNIVERSARY OF THE WORLD HERITAGE CONVENTION IN 2002

Relevant documents:

Progress Report on the Organization of Events to celebrate the 30th Anniversary of the *World Heritage Convention* in 2002.
WHC-02/CONF.201/10

Action required:

The Bureau is requested to:

- (i) to examine the progress report contained herein and to take note of the proposed actions;

The Bureau may wish to:

- (i) discuss the options outlined regarding the opening of the 26th session of the World Heritage Committee, dedicated to marking the 30th anniversary of the Convention; and
- (ii) provide further guidance to the Secretariat as to how the opening session in Budapest on 24 June 2002 may be structured.

Note:

An information meeting on the UN Year for Cultural Heritage will be held on Wednesday 10 April at 11am in Room XI.

AGENDA ITEM 12

STATE OF CONSERVATION OF PROPERTIES INSCRIBED ON THE WORLD HERITAGE LIST

Relevant documents:

State of conservation of properties inscribed on the World Heritage List
WHC-02/CONF.201/11 Rev

Action required:

The document WHC-02/CONF.201/11 Rev includes reports on a total of 30 natural, cultural and mixed heritage properties inscribed on the World Heritage List. The reports will be presented in the same order as in document WHC-02/CONF.201/11 Rev.

The Bureau is requested to examine the state of conservation reports and, either :

- (a) take the appropriate decision for noting by the 26th session of the Committee as indicated in the document or as proposed below, or
- (b) prepare a recommendation for action by the 26th session of the Committee.

CULTURAL PROPERTIES

ARAB STATES

Byblos (Lebanon)

ASIA AND THE PACIFIC

Mausoleum of the First Qin Emperor (China)

Ajanta Caves / Ellora Caves (India)

Sun Temple of Konarak (India)

Meidan Emam, Esfahan (Islamic Republic of Iran)
Town of Luang Prabang (Lao People's Democratic Republic)
Lumbini, the Birthplace of the Lord Buddha (Nepal)
My Son Sanctuary (Viet Nam)

EUROPE AND NORTH AMERICA

Classical Weimar (Germany)
The Curonian Spit (Lithuania/Russian Federation)
Spišský Hrad and its Associated Cultural Monuments (Slovakia)
Stonehenge, Avebury and Associated sites (United Kingdom)

LATIN AMERICA AND THE CARIBBEAN

Colonial City of Santo Domingo (Dominican Republic)
Historic Centre of Lima (Peru)
Historic Centre of the City of Goiás (Brazil)
Archaeological site of Chavín (Peru)
Churches of Chiloé (Chile) (to be reported orally)

MIXED PROPERTIES

ASIA AND THE PACIFIC

Tongariro National Park (New Zealand)

EUROPE AND NORTH AMERICA

Hierapolis-Pamukkale (Turkey)

LATIN AMERICA AND THE CARIBBEAN

Historic Sanctuary of Machu Picchu (Peru)

NATURAL PROPERTIES

ASIA AND THE PACIFIC

Komodo National Park (Indonesia)
Royal Chitwan National Park (Nepal)
Ha Long Bay (Vietnam)

Europe and North America

Pirin National Park (Bulgaria)
Caves of the Aggtelek Karst and Slovak Karst (Hungary/Slovakia)

Lake Baikal (Russian Federation)

Volcanoes of Kamchatka (Russian Federation)

Doñana National Park (Spain)

St Kilda (United Kingdom)

Giant's Causeway and Causeway Coast (United Kingdom)

Latin America and the Caribbean

Cocos Island (Costa Rica)

AGENDA ITEM 13

INFORMATION ON TENTATIVE LISTS AND EXAMINATION OF NOMINATIONS OF CULTURAL AND NATURAL PROPERTIES TO THE LIST OF WORLD HERITAGE IN DANGER AND THE WORLD HERITAGE LIST

Relevant documents:

Information on Tentative Lists and Examination of nominations of cultural and natural properties to the List of World Heritage in Danger and the World Heritage List
WHC-02/CONF.201/12 Rev

ICOMOS evaluation of nominations of cultural and mixed properties to the World Heritage List
WHC-02/CONF.201/INF.2 and INF.2 Add

IUCN evaluation of nominations of natural and mixed properties to the World Heritage List
WHC-02/CONF.201/INF.3 and INF.3 Add

The nominations will be presented by ICOMOS and/or IUCN in the order that they appear in documents.

Action required:

The Bureau is requested to

- (i) examine the nominations to the List of World Heritage in Danger and to the World Heritage List;
- (ii) take note of the tentative lists received by the World Heritage Centre from State Parties having submitted nominations for review in 2002; and
- (iii) make recommendations to the Committee

NOMINATIONS TO THE LIST OF WORLD HERITAGE IN DANGER

At the time of the preparation of this document, there were no proposals to inscribe properties on the List of World Heritage in Danger.

Action required:

The Bureau is requested to

- (i) examine the following two nominations to be processed on an emergency basis to the World Heritage List and to the List of World Heritage in Danger; and
- (ii) make its recommendation to the Committee:

1. The First Railway Bridge over the Yenisei River (Russian Federation)
2. Minaret of Jam (Afghanistan) - Reactivation of a deferred nomination at the request of the Committee

EXAMINATION OF NOMINATIONS OF CULTURAL, NATURAL, AND MIXED PROPERTIES TO THE WORLD HERITAGE LIST

Action required:

In accordance with paragraph 65 of the *Operational Guidelines*, the Bureau is requested to examine the nomination for inscription on the World Heritage List and make its recommendation to the Committee according to the following four categories:

- (a) properties which it recommends for inscription without reservation;
- (b) properties which it does not recommend for inscription;
- (c) properties that need to be referred back to the nomination State Party for further information or documentation;
- (d) properties whose examination should be deferred pending a more in depth assessment or study.

See Table 1.

Table 1: Summary table of recommendations by the Advisory Bodies

State Party	Proposed World Heritage Property	Id No.	Rec. of AB
Natural Properties			
Benin	Pendjari and W National Parks	1062	
Kenya	Rift Valley Lakes Reserve	1060 Rev	
Russian Federation/ Mongolia	Uvs Nuur Basin	769 Rev	
Mixed Properties N / C			
Egypt	Saint Catherine Area	954	- / I
Italy	Archipelago of La Maddalena	1064	N / -
Cultural Properties			
Germany	Upper Middle Rhine Valley	1066	D
Germany	Historic Centres of Stralsund and Wismar	1067	I
Hungary	Tokaji Wine Region Cultural Landscape	1063	D
Hungary	The Medieval Royal Seat and Parkland at Visegrád	1065	N
Hungary	Andrássy Avenue and the Underground (extension to "Budapest, the Banks of the Danube and the Buda Castle Quarter")	400 Bis	OK
India	The Mahabodhi Temple Complex at Bodh Gaya	1056 Rev	Will be presented during the session
Italy	The <i>Sacri Monti</i> of Piedmont and Lombardy	1068	I
Italy	The Rebuilding of Val de Noto in the Late Baroque Period	1024	I
Mexico	The Ancient Maya City of Calakmul, Campeche	1061	I
Morocco	Portuguese City of El Jadida (Mazagan)	1058	D
Poland	Wooden Churches of southern Little Poland	1053	I
Suriname	The Historic Inner City of Paramaribo	940 Rev	I

KEY

I	Recommending inscription	N	Recommending rejection
R	Recommending referral	D	Recommending deferral
OK	Recommendation for approval of an extension		
Rec of AB	Recommendation by the Advisory Body		

AGENDA ITEM 14

REQUESTS FOR INTERNATIONAL ASSISTANCE

Relevant documents:

Requests for International Assistance
WHC-02/CONF.201/13 Rev

Action required:

The Bureau is requested to:

- (i) approve requests for international assistance for Preparatory Assistance (US\$ 20,000 - US\$ 30,000), Technical Co-operation (US\$ 20,000 - US\$ 30,000), Training (US\$ 20,000 - US\$ 30,000) and Emergency Assistance (US\$ 50,000 - US\$ 75,000) (See table 2);
- (ii) recommend the approval by the Committee of requests for international assistance for Technical Co-operation (US\$ 30,000-), Training (US\$ 30,000-), and Emergency Assistance (US\$ 75,000-) (see table 2).

Additional international assistance requests submitted after the 26th session of the Bureau (April 2002) will be presented during the 26th session of the World Heritage Committee (Budapest, June 2002).

In taking decisions, the Bureau is reminded to bear in mind the priorities in the allocation of International Assistance, following paragraphs 94-121 of the *Operational Guidelines* (March 1999)

Note:

The two international assistance requests for training in Argentina (request number 5 and 6 within document WHC-02/CONF.201/13Rev) have been combined into one request with a total amount requested being US \$30,000.

Request number	Type of Heritage	Region	Requesting State Party	Activity Title	Amount (US \$) requested	Amount (US \$) recommended	Decision by	
							Committee	Bureau
PREPARATORY ASSISTANCE								
1	Cultural	Asia and the Pacific	Pakistan	Preparation of the nomination of Ranigat as an extension to Taxila World Heritage site	30,000	30,000 subject to State Party paying its dues to the World Heritage Fund		X
SUB-TOTAL: PREPARATORY ASSISTANCE					30,000	30,000		1

Request number	Type of Heritage	Region	Requesting State Party	Activity Title	Amount (US\$) requested	Amount (US\$) recommended	Decision by	
							Committee	Bureau
TECHNICAL CO-OPERATION								
2	Natural	Africa	Senegal	Derby Eland Monitoring Programme	29,296	29,296		X
11	Cultural	Arab States	Algeria	Elaboration of a proposal for a Development and Safeguarding Plan for M'Zab Valley	13,000	35,000	X	

Request number within Working Document	Type of Heritage	Region	Requesting State Party	Activity Title	Amount (US\$) requested	Amount (US\$) recommended	Decision by	
							Committee	Bureau
TRAINING								
3	Natural	Arab Region	Egypt	Regional training workshop to prepare Tentative Natural Heritage Lists for Arab States	29,500	Pending further information		X
12	Cultural	Asia-Pacific	Turkmenistan	Enhancing national capacity for the conservation and management of Ancient Merv	68,814	Pending further information	X	
13	Cultural	Asia-Pacific	Uzbekistan	Restoration of the medersa "Rachid" at Bukhara World Heritage Site	30,255	Pending further information	X	
4	Cultural	Europe and North America	Norway	International Course on Wood Conservation Technology	30,000	30,000		X
5	Mixed	Latin America and the Caribbean	Argentina	Sub-regional training workshop on management and administration of World Heritage sites	22,350	Pending further information		X
6	Natural	Latin America and the Caribbean	Argentina	Training assistance for two site-managers of Ischigualasto National Park	24,000	0		X
7	Cultural	Latin America and the Caribbean	Dominican Republic	Annual Seminary Workshop on Cultural Heritage Risk Prevention for the Caribbean and Central America	30,000	Pending further information		X
<i>SUB-TOTAL: TRAINING</i>					234,919	Pending further information	2	5

Request number within Working Document	Type of Heritage	Region	Requesting State Party	Activity Title	Amount (US\$) requested	Amount (US\$) recommended	Decision by	
							Committee	Bureau
EMERGENCY ASSISTANCE								
8	Cultural	Asia-Pacific	Nepal	Lumbini – Technical Emergency Assistance to address drainage problem at the Maya Devi Temple site	75,000	Pending further information		X
9	Cultural	Latin America and the Caribbean	Brazil	Historic Centre of the Town of Goias	57,288 (for the US\$ 7,288 remaining)	57,288 (for the US\$ 7,288 remaining)		X (for the US\$ 7,288 remaining)
10	Cultural	Latin America and the Caribbean	Cuba	Old Havana and its fortifications – Emergency Assistance for the Convent of Santa Clara of Assisi	75,000	75,000		X
<i>SUB-TOTAL: EMERGENCY</i>					207,288	Pending further information	0	3

AGENDA ITEM 15

PROVISIONAL AGENDA AND TIMETABLE OF THE TWENTY-SIXTH SESSION OF THE WORLD HERITAGE COMMITTEE (BUDAPEST, HUNGARY, 24-29 JUNE 2002)

Relevant documents:

Provisional Agenda and Timetable of the twenty-sixth session of the World Heritage Committee (Budapest, Hungary, 24-29 June 2002)
WHC-02/CONF.201/14 (to be distributed during the session)

Action required:

The Bureau is requested to examine and adopt the Provisional Agenda and Timetable.

AGENDA ITEM 16

OTHER BUSINESS

The Chairperson will ask the Bureau and the Rapporteur whether there is any other business.

AGENDA ITEM 17

ADOPTION OF THE REPORT OF THE SESSION

The Report of the Rapporteur will be presented to the Bureau for adoption on Saturday 13 April 2002.

Relevant documents

Report of the twenty-sixth session of the Bureau of the World Heritage Committee
WHC-02/CONF.201/15

AGENDA ITEM 18

CLOSURE OF THE SESSION

The Chairperson will officially close the twenty-sixth session of the Bureau of the World Heritage Committee.