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5A: Report of the World Heritage Centre on its activities and the implementation of the World Heritage Committee's Decisions

SUMMARY

This document contains a non-exhaustive overview of the results of activities undertaken by the World Heritage Centre and the results achieved in implementing the Decisions and Strategic Objectives of the World Heritage Committee since its 34th session (Brasilia, 2010), and in particular on results of activities not otherwise covered in the working and information documents prepared for this session. Further details about all World Heritage Centre activities are available from the Secretariat.

Draft Decision: 35 COM 5A, see Point III.

I. Results-based Report of the activities undertaken by the World Heritage Centre

1. Following Decision **34 COM 5** paragraph 6 (Brasilia, 2010) requesting the World Heritage Centre to improve the presentation of its Report, the activities undertaken in the previous year in the regions, and in the field of communication, education and partnerships are now presented under a new format and regrouped around the five Strategic Objectives (see paragraph 19). The overview presented therein is non-exhaustive, as a number of activities, the results of which are to be expected in the long term rather than immediately, are not included.
2. The 34th session of the World Heritage Committee was organized in Brasilia, Brazil, from 25 July to 3 August 2010 and the Report of the Decisions was made available online in September 2010 at the following address: <http://whc.unesco.org/en/sessions/34COM>.
3. The Summary Records of the 34th session are under preparation and will be distributed for review by Committee members as soon as available. The World Heritage Centre notes that funding for the transcription and translation was not sufficient due to the length of the session.
4. An Information Meeting for the preparation of the 35th session is being organised on 26 May 2011 at UNESCO Headquarters, Paris.

A. Results of the Implementation of the *Convention*

5. Following the ratification of the *Convention* by Equatorial Guinea on 10 March 2010, the total number of States Parties is 187.
6. Twenty-one new properties (15 cultural, 5 natural and one mixed) were inscribed on the World Heritage List at the 34th session of the World Heritage Committee (Brasilia, 2010). The Committee also recognized the cultural values of the Ngorongoro Conservation Area (United Republic of Tanzania) which was inscribed in 1979 as a natural site and became a mixed site in 2010. UNESCO's World Heritage List now numbers a total of 911 properties (704 cultural, 180 natural and 27 mixed properties) located in 151 States Parties. Eight extensions were added onto properties already inscribed on the World Heritage List.
7. Three States Parties with no properties on the World Heritage List had their first property inscribed at the 34th session: Kiribati, Marshall Islands and Tajikistan.
8. A total of 147 state of conservation reports, including 31 of properties on the List of World Heritage in Danger, were examined by the 34th session of the Committee.
9. The number of properties currently inscribed on the List of World Heritage in Danger is 34 (18 cultural and 16 natural). Galapagos Islands (Ecuador) was removed from this List at the 34th session.

10. The Committee will examine 35 nominations for inscription on the World Heritage List during its 35th session: 30 cultural properties, 10 natural and 3 mixed properties including 3 transnational nominations and 3 extensions to properties already listed.
11. Since the 34th session of the Committee, 34 States Parties have submitted new Tentative Lists or modified existing Lists. The number of new properties added to the Tentative Lists is 72.
12. National capacities for the management and conservation of properties have been strengthened through various conservation and training activities in Asia, Africa and the Caribbean, with increasing participation of women.
13. The World Heritage Centre has concluded 3 new partnership agreements with the private sector, while another 3 are under discussion.

B. Increasing cooperation among international legal instruments

14. Following Decisions **33 COM 5C** concerning the cooperation among multilateral environmental agreements and **34 COM 5E** concerning other UNESCO Conventions in the field of culture, numerous efforts were undertaken by the Secretariat to further enhance cooperation:

15. The World Heritage Centre attended the fifth meeting of the **Committee for the Protection of Cultural Property in the Event of Armed Conflict** (UNESCO Headquarters, 22-24 November 2010) which considered eleven requests for the granting of enhanced protection from Azerbaijan, Cyprus, Italy and Lithuania, including 6 World Heritage sites. This Committee decided to grant enhanced protection to the following World Heritage properties: Choirokoitia, Paphos, and the Painted Churches of the Troodos Region in Cyprus and Castel del Monte in Italy (see <http://whc.unesco.org/en/news/701>). The Second Protocol to the Hague Convention of 1954 for the Protection of Cultural Property in the Event of Armed Conflict establishes, among other things, a new protection system – enhanced protection. To be eligible, a cultural property must satisfy three conditions: it is cultural heritage of the greatest importance for humanity; it is protected by adequate domestic legal and administrative measures recognizing its exceptional cultural and historic value and ensuring the highest level of protection; and it is not used for military purposes or to shield military sites and a declaration has been made by the Party which has control over the cultural property, confirming that it will not be so used. The Guidelines for the Implementation of the Second Protocol provide in their paragraph 36 that the Committee for the Protection of Cultural Property in the Event of Armed Conflict may, subject to other considerations, consider that immovable cultural property inscribed on the World Heritage List satisfies the condition of the greatest importance for humanity. The meeting demonstrated that there is an increasing synergy between the World Heritage List and the List of Cultural Property under Enhanced Protection; however, it should be noted that both lists are autonomous.

16. Concerning the 2003 **Convention for the Safeguarding of the Intangible Cultural Heritage**, the Director of the World Heritage Centre a. i. attended the Fifth Session of the Intergovernmental Committee held in Nairobi, Kenya, 15 to 19 November 2010, and the Secretary of the 2003 Convention attended the 34th session of the World Heritage Committee in Brazil. The two Secretariats continue to share

experiences of working methods and explore possible synergies through more systematic sharing of information. Furthermore, ICOMOS was among the NGOs accredited by the General Assembly of States Parties at its third session in June 2010 to provide advisory services to the Intergovernmental Committee for the Safeguarding of the Intangible Cultural Heritage. States Parties to the 2003 Convention have submitted nominations and requests for international assistance concerning intangible cultural heritage associated with World Heritage sites such as the 'Traditions and practices associated to the Kayas in the sacred forests of the Mijikenda' (Kenya), and 'Safeguarding the rituals and practices related to Kasubi Royal Tombs' (Uganda), related to the Tombs of the Buganda Kings at Kasubi, a World Heritage site.

17. The World Heritage Centre also attended the events to celebrate the 40th anniversary of the **1970 Convention against the illicit trafficking of cultural property** held at UNESCO on 14 and 15 March 2011. The cooperation between 1972 and 1970 Conventions should be further enhanced as increasingly World Heritage properties are affected by illicit traffic of objects from sites.

18. Following the **Declaration on Bio-Cultural Diversity** (Montreal, June 2010) and the World Heritage Committee's Decision 34 COM 5E (point 7), the results were also presented to the Conference of Parties (COP 10) of the 1992 Biodiversity Convention (CBD) held in Nagoya, Japan in October 2010. The Joint Programme between UNESCO and the CBD Secretariat (2010-2020) as drafted by the Montreal Conference was welcomed by CBD COP 10 (Decision X/20). In particular, the CBD COP 10 recognized the Joint Programme as a 'useful co-ordination mechanism to advance the implementation of the Convention and deepen global awareness of the inter-linkages between cultural and biological diversity'. States Parties and other relevant stakeholders were invited to 'contribute to and support the implementation of this joint programme'. As a follow-up UNESCO and CBD Secretariats are currently preparing the implementation strategy for the Programme and actively seeking partners to ensure financial support for the activities planned under the Programme.

C. Additional requests by the World Heritage Committee

19. In its Decision **34 COM 5A**, paragraph 6, the World Heritage Committee requested the World Heritage Centre, to improve the presentation of its report by:

a) Regrouping the activities presented around the five Strategic Objectives;

b) Mentioning the cooperation with UNESCO Bodies, as well as with the partners of civil society,

c) Integrating a general evaluation commentary on the results obtained and the challenges encountered,

d) Describing the criteria by which the World Heritage Centre makes decisions on its activities in conformity with the World Heritage Committee;

The World Heritage Centre is pleased to announce that the results-based report on the activities undertaken in pursuit of the 5Cs (covering the period from June 2010 to May

2011) is now presented under a new format which takes into account the requests of the World Heritage Committee (Decision **34 COM 5A**).

20. The follow-up to the **audit** of the World Heritage Centre by the UNESCO External Auditors (December 2009) can be found in Document *WHC-11/35.COM/INF.5C*.

21. Following the request of the 17th General Assembly of States Parties (Resolution **17 GA 9**) and the adoption of the Terms of Reference by the 34th session of the World Heritage Committee (Decision **34 COM 9A**) an audit of the Global Strategy and of Partnerships for Conservation (PACT) was carried out by the Cour des Comptes. The report is available in document *WHC-11/35.COM/INF. 9A*. The audit reports will be presented to the 18th General Assembly of States Parties in November 2011. The audit comprised 3 modules in December 2010, January and February/March 2011 and the workload of the World Heritage Centre was assessed to cost of 110 117 USD using UNESCO standard staff costs and excluding indirect costs and non staff human resources (e.g. interns).

**II. Results-based report on the activities undertaken by the World Heritage Centre
in pursuit of the 5 Cs**

(Covering the period from June 2010 to May 2011)

* Please see also the two following documents: Report on envisaged and present partnerships (*WHC-11/35.COM/INF.5A.1*); and Annual Report on the use of the World Heritage Emblem granted by the World Heritage Centre (*WHC-11/35.COM/INF.5A.2*)

1C. Activities to make the World Heritage List more representative, balanced and credible (Credibility)				
REGION		ACTIVITIES	DECISION	RESULTS obtained and CHALLENGES encountered
GLOBAL	1	As a follow-up of the UN International Year of Astronomy 2009, UNESCO and the International Astronomical Union extended for two years the Memorandum of Understanding signed in 2008 within the framework of the implementation of the UNESCO Thematic Initiative "Astronomy and World Heritage".	34 COM 5F.1 Para 4	Enhancement of the international collaboration towards development of transnational nomination project proposals.
	2	Joint IUCN WHC Expert meeting (Vilm, Germany, 30 June to 4 July 2010) towards the development of new guidance for States Parties in their identification of new marine World Heritage sites	29 COM 5B	The meeting laid the foundation for the IUCN Thematic Study on Marine World Heritage. The Thematic Study is currently being completed by IUCN and will likely be finalized by mid 2011.

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	3	In the framework of the forest programme, the World Heritage Centre is preparing a “State of Conservation of World Heritage Forests” report to mark the 2011 International Year of Forests. The report is expected to be available for the 18th General Assembly of States Parties to the <i>World Heritage Convention</i> , in November 2011.		Among the challenges are the issues of the lack of dedicated financial support for the World Heritage Forest Programme, and that less than 5% of one staff person is allocated to implementing it.
AFRICA	4	Angola project for the preparation of the nomination file of Mbanza Kongo (International Assistance and self-benefitting contribution by Angola).	Memorandum of Understanding (MoU) between Angola and UNESCO signed in 2008	Stakeholders meeting held and action plan for nomination process established, on-site conditions assessed and recommendations for site delimitation, management plan and archaeological research provided. Challenges faced by the activity are the remoteness and difficult access to the site which have delayed the activity as well as personnel change within Angolan Ministry of Culture.
	5	Preparatory Assistance to a nomination in Comoros (financed by The Netherlands Funds-in-Trust).	Request submitted by the State Party	An expert mission was undertaken in January 2011 to launch the nomination process and establish a “road map”.
	6	The Central African World Heritage Forest Initiative (CAWHFI) was carried out with funds from the United Nations Foundation (UNF), the French Global Environmental Fund (FGEF) and the European Union (EU). Conservation activities were developed in 3 ecological complexes in Cameroon, the Central African Republic, Congo and Gabon. The French-funded	25 COM XVII.10	A nomination file supported by CAWHFI was successfully finalized and will be examined at the 35th session of the World Heritage Committee. Enhancement of the regional collaboration towards the development of a transnational nomination agreement between Mayumba in Congo and Conkouati in Gabon

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		component of CAWHFI continued to assist national authorities to develop the community conservation strategy on management systems for wildlife resources. A nomination file supported by the CAWHFI was successfully finalized.		Participation to the Annual Steering Committee of various national focal points from Central Africa, site managers of inscribed properties, national and international experts and representatives of UNESCO Field Offices. Conservation and development activities were implemented with local communities in the 3 ecological landscapes in order to enhance the conservation and management of these sites. Several publications are under preparation: State of the Forests 2010 and 2011 and a book to promote the World Heritage site of Ecosystem and Relict Cultural Landscape of Lopé-Okanda (Gabon)
ARAB STATES	7	Preparatory Assistance to elaborate the nomination of a natural site in Sudan Preparatory Assistance to assess four natural sites of the Tunisian Tentative List 2 States Parties updated their Tentative Lists and 2 nominations were submitted by States Parties of Morocco and Qatar (first one ever)	Request submitted by the State Party Requests submitted by the State Party/ies	Two-phase mechanism applied in order to ensure the Outstanding Universal Value of the site. The first phase of the project has been completed and will be followed by an expert mission prior to launching the second phase. Opportunity for capacity-building

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		Assistance by the African World Heritage Fund in preparing nomination files for Arab States Parties which are part of the African Regional Group according to UNESCO's classification.		
	8	Preparatory assistance for the elaboration of the nomination file and management plan of the <i>Ancient Villages</i> in the North of the Syrian Arab Republic was provided in the framework of the France-UNESCO Cooperation Agreement.	Request submitted by the State Party	Outcome: This is the first nomination of a cultural landscape submitted by the Syrian authorities and the second cultural landscape nomination submitted in the Arab States Region.
ASIA PACIFIC	9	Financial and/or advisory assistance was provided to States Parties for the preparation of nominations dossiers.	Requests submitted by the State Party	In 2010, eleven new sites from Asia-Pacific were inscribed on the World Heritage List. Three (Kiribati, Marshall Islands and Tajikistan) are located in States Parties which did not have any site inscribed until then.
ASIA PACIFIC	10	Financial and/or advisory assistance has been provided to States Parties for the preparation of Tentative Lists, nominations dossiers and conservation reports.		The 35th session of the Committee will examine 15 sites in from 9 States Parties (Australia, China, India, Iran (Islamic Republic of), Japan, Micronesia, Palau, Mongolia and Viet Nam) 23 sites were added to the Tentative Lists of 7 States Parties (India, Japan, Kyrgyzstan, Republic of Korea, Thailand, Turkmenistan and Uzbekistan).

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	11	Second Meeting of the Coordinating Committee on the serial World Heritage nomination of the Silk Roads in Ashgabat, Turkmenistan (3-6 May 2011)	34 COM 9B	The meeting will bring together some 45 participants from five Central Asian countries (Kazakhstan, Kyrgyzstan, Tajikistan, Turkmenistan and Uzbekistan) and China as well as other partner Asian countries (Afghanistan, India, Iran (Islamic Republic of), Japan, Nepal and Republic of Korea) to review progress made in implementing the Action Plan as adopted in Xi'an, China in November 2009 on the serial nomination of the Silk Roads. It also aims to review the thematic study carried out by ICOMOS, to further decide on the strategy for nomination (the document will be available at: http://whc.unesco.org/en/activities/117/). The workshop will include international experts and resource persons, as well as representatives and experts from Belgium and Japan to present the Belgium Silk Road Cultural Heritage Resource Information System project and the new UNESCO Japan Funds-In-Trust project to support the serial World Heritage nomination of the Silk Roads.
LATIN AMERICA and THE CARIBBEAN	12	The following activities have been developed in the framework of the serial nomination process of the Andean Road System/ <i>Qhapaq Ñan</i> to the World Heritage List:	30 COM 11E 31 COM 12B 33 COM 10A 34 COM 9B	
	13	Comprehensive interdisciplinary database		The database is close to being finalized. The database includes data on the registration of all

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				routes, archaeological sites, environmental resources and ethnographic components of the Andean Road System in the 6 countries involved.
	14	Continued use of the <i>Qhapaq Ñan</i> online repository of documents (included on the World Heritage Centre's website).		Use of on-line technologies (an Intranet website for 70 experts) for information sharing, monitoring the state of conservation of the property and setting a platform for continued discussions (daily basis) among concerned experts in the 6 countries.
	15	Meeting for the finalization of the Management and Conservation Strategy of the Andean Road System/ <i>Qhapaq Ñan</i> . (30 August to 1 September 2010, Bogota-Colombia).		Consensus obtained on the Conservation and Management Strategy. A final report is being produced. Challenges associated with the coordination of issues and the differing approach of the various countries.
	16	Preparatory meetings (UNESCO Headquarters) held during October and November for preparation of the official signature of the <i>Qhapaq Ñan</i> political statement on the occasion of the Heads of States and Governments Summit of Mar del Plata, Argentina, with the attendance of the Director-General of UNESCO (3-4 December 2010).		A political official statement was signed in the presence of the Director-General by 6 Foreign Affairs Ministers, displaying a collective effort to preserve the Andean Road System/ <i>Qhapaq Ñan</i> for future generations.
	17	International meeting for the Technical Secretariat of the <i>Qhapaq Ñan</i> Project for its nomination process. Paris, 16 - 18 February 2011.		Finalization of the agreement on the legal framework and the development of the road map which will allow the establishment of the main guidelines for the finalization of the nomination file.

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LATIN AMERICA and THE CARIBBEAN	18	Preparatory International Assistance request for the elaboration of the Comparative Analysis of Seaflower Marine Protected Area (Colombia).	29 COM 5B	The Comparative Analysis has been finalized by the Corporation for the Sustainable Development of San Andrés Archipelago, Providencia and Santa Catalina (CORALINA) and submitted to the World Heritage Centre. The Centre is working closely with CORALINA with regards to information received indicating that approval has been granted for the exploration of oil within the borders of the Seaflower Marine Protected Area. Official information has been requested from the State Party.
	19	A Preparatory Assistance request for Saint Vincent and the Grenadines was approved for the "Preparation of the Tentative List of natural and cultural properties suitable for inclusion in the World Heritage List".	Global Strategy (see World Heritage Papers N° 14 and 24: Archaeology and Rock art in the Caribbean).	This assistance is currently under implementation by the Saint Vincent National Trust. The Latin America and the Caribbean Unit has advised the State Party to use the documents and reports which were compiled in the World Heritage Series on Rock Art (N°14 and 24) for the elaboration of the Programme and as reference for the experts working on the Tentative List. The Centre received information related to the construction of an airport at an archaeological site. The elaboration of the Tentative List will allow the State Party to establish the necessary legislative framework for heritage protection and for endorsing international standards for its preservation.

2C. Activities to ensure the effective conservation of World Heritage properties (Conservation)				
REGION		ACTIVITIES	DECISION	RESULTS obtained and CHALLENGES encountered
GLOBAL	1	“Managing Historic Cities” under the World Heritage Papers Series No 27 was published http://whc.unesco.org/en/series/27/ It outlines rationale and process of the Historic Urban Landscape Initiative, including ten papers that were presented at various expert meetings on the Historic Urban Landscape (HUL) concept.		Articles published and broadly disseminated on line.
	2	The International Symposium on “Urban Futures and Human and Ecosystem Wellbeing” held in Shanghai, China, 26-30 October 2010, adopted the "Shanghai Declaration on Urban Futures and Human and Ecosystem Wellbeing" to encourage all relevant stakeholders to take the cultural heritage dimension into due consideration, including UNESCO's Historic Urban Landscapes approach and, as appropriate, the newly proposed UNESCO Recommendation on the Historic Urban Landscape in order to seek an integration of urban heritage conservation within the goals of sustainable social and economic development.	Resolution 15 GA 7 29 COM 5D	

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REGION		ACTIVITIES	DECISION	RESULTS obtained and CHALLENGES encountered
GLOBAL	3	As a result of the expert meeting held in Rio de Janeiro (Brazil, 7-11 December 2009), of the <i>ad hoc</i> Sub-Working Group of the Working Group on the <i>Operational Guidelines</i> established during the 34th session (Brasilia, 2010), as well as of the <i>ad-hoc</i> Sub-Working Group on the Historic Urban Landscape approach (UNESCO, 15-16 November 2011), paragraphs 110, 111, 112 and 119 of the <i>Operational Guidelines</i> were amended in cooperation with the Advisory Bodies (ICOMOS, ICCROM, IUCN).	29 COM 5D	
	4	A meeting on the “International Protection of Landscape” was organized at UNESCO on 18 April 2011 (WHC, Culture Sector, Italian authorities) with experts from different parts of the world and Permanent Delegations to review legal instruments and enhance collaboration;		The Executive Board will review the feasibility of a new standard setting instrument in the field of landscape (186 EX/21).
	5	World Heritage Marine Site Managers Meeting, Honolulu, Hawaii (USA), 1-3 Dec 2010	29 COM 5B	First conference to gather over 75% of all World Heritage marine site managers, it provided the basis for a stronger and better informed community of World Heritage marine site managers and laid the foundation for a more comprehensive approach towards capacity-building and training for improved conservation. The conference also provided a first platform from where alliances and cooperation among World Heritage marine sites are now being

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GLOBAL				built. A report of the meeting is expected to be made available in May 2011.
	6	Development of a roadmap for capacity-building to improve conservation of marine World Heritage sites, based on an informal survey of key threats and management challenges conducted among marine World Heritage site managers	29 COM 5B	The aim of the survey was to provide a more comprehensive insight in the key threats and management challenges World Heritage Marine sites are currently dealing with. The results of the survey are now being used to provide direction and vision for the development of new projects to improve the conservation of marine World Heritage sites.
	7	IUCN-WHC Publication: <i>Bahrain Action Plan for Marine World Heritage: Identifying Priorities and enhancing the role of the World Heritage Convention in the IUCN WCPA Marine Global Plan of Action for MPAs in our Oceans and Seas</i>	29 COM 5B	The publication summarized the outcomes of the Joint Workshop on Marine World Heritage sites selection and marine protected areas in the Gulf and Red Sea which was held from 24-26 February 2009
	8	Rapid Response Facility (RRF) for natural World Heritage sites facing immediate threats to their Outstanding Universal Value: http://whc.unesco.org/en/activities/578/	34 COM 5A	4 World Heritage sites benefiting from RRF grant in Egypt, Chad, Panama and Côte d'Ivoire.
	9	Banking, Mining and Oil & Gas working group on World Heritage, focusing on clarifying procedures and avoiding future conservation problems. Financed by private partners, led by IUCN, with the	34 COM 7C	The private sector is financing IUCN to carry out a baseline study, which will provide background for developing an action plan for consideration by the World Heritage Committee in 2012.

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		World Heritage Centre technical advice.		
AFRICA				
AFRICA	10	At the invitation of the government of the Democratic Republic of the Congo, the high-level meeting requested by the World Heritage Committee (Christchurch, 2007) was held with UNESCO's Director-General and the Congolese Prime Minister on 14 January 2011 in Kinshasa, about the state of conservation of the 5 World Heritage sites in Danger of the Democratic Republic of the Congo.	34 COM 7A.32	At the conclusion of the meeting, the Director-General and the Prime Minister signed the Kinshasa Declaration, in which the Congolese Government commits to implement the Strategic Action Plan proposed by the Congolese Wildlife Authority. It involves, notably, enforcing the law (in particular laws concerning nature conservation and the mining code), making sites secure, reinforcing the operational capacity of the Congolese Wildlife Authority, reducing commercial poaching, stopping the illicit exploitation of natural resources and strengthening the efforts towards a peaceful evacuation of illegal occupants of protected areas. The Kinshasa Declaration is to be implemented.
	11	As a follow up to the Project: "Supporting management and conservation activities in Garamba National Park", the Government of Spain agreed in December 2010 to finance the Phase 2 of the Project.	31 COM 7A.32 31 COM 7A.6	The Phase 2 amounting to 200 000€ will enable the authorities to implement conservation activities in the Park. These are currently defined by ICCN and the site manager. The Project will start in June 2011.
	12	Biodiversity Conservation in World Heritage Sites in the Democratic Republic of the Congo" Phase III, funded by the Government of Belgium.	31 COM 7A.32 31 COM 7A.4 31 COM 7A.5 31 COM 7A.8	Emergency action plans for Kahuzi Biega, Okapi Wildlife Reserve and Virunga National Parks are expected to be finalized and emergency measures to be implemented.

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AFRICA	13	The “Niger-Loire: governance and culture” project funded by the European Union and supported by the France-UNESCO Cooperation Agreement, launched in 2007 in Mali includes: Inventory, documentation and research studies on water anthropology, river-related heritage and water usage were completed along the Niger River, in partnership with Malian and French Heritage Departments, universities and research institutes; Training programmes and education activities on river heritage management; Pilot activities in riverside areas, including Djenné World Heritage property, to show linkages between culture and development.		2010 was a pivotal year in the life of the project: 400 data sheets were finalized and uploaded on mediawiki; a detailed mapping of Djenné was developed within the elaboration of the management plan and with the revision of the city masterplan; Training/education activities on river heritage and environment included workshops for local authorities on water management and awareness-raising campaigns for local communities on the river’s resources.; the 4th edition of the Masters Degree on Decentralization and Local Development Project, Bamako University, offering an optional module on cultural heritage management and development and another one on environment and humid zones management. - Lifelong learning course for 60 local and national technicians on water, environment and heritage governance (Mopti, Segou and Bamako). Construction and capacity-building in Djenné: Traditional waste collection equipment became operational, an intermediary waste disposal site was constructed in April 2010, a permanent waste dump was designed. Some 100 female garbage collectors received training to diversify their income sources, and 110 male workers in waste management. A study on improving tax collection in order to sustain waste management was also carried out. A local dye crafts Centre is under

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AFRICA				construction on Bamako riverside in order to secure health and safety working conditions and for environmental protection.
	14	Cross-cutting UNESCO initiative on “Rivers and Heritage” is being built on the results of the Niger Loire project bringing together expertise from UNESCO Culture and Science sectors, with the support of the France – UNESCO Cooperation Agreement.		A workshop on culture and local development and empowerment of local communities was organized in Saint-Louis, Senegal (3-5 March 2011) by the newly created Senegal River House hosted at Université Gaston Bergé.
	15	Rock-Hewn Churches, Lalibela (Ethiopia): conservation and consolidation projects (funded by Norway’s Funds-in-Trust)	30 COM 7B.40 31 COM 7B.46 32 COM 7B.47 33 COM 7B.43	Continuation of conservation and consolidation projects for the Gabriel Rufael Church, an international tender is to be launched.
	16	Island of Mozambique (Mozambique): Emergency Assistance for the repair works following the 2008 storm damage	International Assistance Request	Upon an ICOMOS expert mission to the site in 2010, ICOMOS approved the technical document in January 2011 and the conservation works

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AFRICA		at the Saint Sebastian Fortress	33 COM 7B.46	strategy prepared by a national expert. Tender process for the works may now launch. Great challenge lay in the coordination and communication between the geographically very distant experts involved in the process.
	17	Island of Mozambique (Mozambique): Study on vernacular architecture of the Island of Mozambique (Financed by Flanders Funds-in-Trust)	31 COM 7B.48 32 COM 7B.51 33 COM 7B.46	In conjunction with the inventory, a study on the Island's vernacular architecture in Macuti Town, was undertaken to better understand its nature and identify best conservation approaches to inform the management plan. The study resulted in a conservation manual to be used also by the Conservation Office GACIM.
	18	Island of Mozambique (Mozambique): Architectural survey on the Island of Mozambique and creation of an inventory data base as a contribution to the management plan. (Financed by the Netherlands FIT Funds-in-Trust- Cities Programme)	International Assistance Request 33 COM 7B.46	An architectural survey has been undertaken by a Mozambican Architectural firm involving a group of 6 national architecture students for capacity-building. The survey produced an inventory in form of an electronic data base (file maker) to be further used, completed and developed by the World Heritage Site's Conservation Office of the Island of Mozambique (Gabinete de conservação da Ilha de Moçambique).
	19	Madagascar, Rainforests of the Atsinanana, Conservation and integrated development activities, potential extension of the Rainforests of the Atsinanana (financed by the United Nations Foundation (UNF) and the Nordic World Heritage Foundation)	Memorandum of Understanding (MoU) between UNESCO and UNDP GEF (Global Environment Facility)-Small Grants	Conservation and integrated development activities were implemented with local communities at potential World Heritage sites with a view to reduce poverty as well as environmental pressure in line with the MDGs. As a follow-up, an operational local collaboration with communities was approved in February 2011 by the GEF-Small Grants Programme for an amount of USD 50,000.

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			Programme	
	20	World Heritage - Inventory and condition of properties built with earth (Financed by France - UNESCO Cooperation Agreement)	Implementation of the World Heritage Earthen Architecture Programme (WHEAP) 31 COM 21C 33 COM 5A	Intermediate results of the inventory presented and published online to further update the statistics and analyse the results during 2011. A preliminary analysis identified trends and needs of earthen architecture conservation in terms of management, capacity-building, restoration needs, and awareness-raising.
	21	Conservation project for Africa in the framework of the World Heritage Earthen Architecture Programme (Funded by Italy's Funds-in-Trust)	34 COM.7B.47 (Djenné); 33 COM.7B.45 34 COM 7B.48 (Timbuktu); 33 COM 7B.43 34 COM 7B.44 (Lalibela); 31 COM.21C 33 COM 5A 34 COM 5F.1 (Thematic Programme)	The majority of activities of the programme have been implemented. These include mainly the start of the rehabilitation works of the Youth House in the Old Towns of Djenné (Mali), and the organization of a regional workshop for African site managers in Djenné (Mali) in cooperation with the African School for Heritage (Ecole du patrimoine africain), gathering over 30 participants and site managers. Moreover, achievements include the development of teaching material for the regional training institutions and the Centre for Heritage Development in Africa (CHDA), a study on urban conservation in Lalibela (Ethiopia), the elaboration of building regulations for Timbuktu and Djenné (Mali), the organization of a workshop for local tourist guides in conjunction with the site management workshop, the exchange of two representatives from the World Heritage property : the Old Towns of Djenné (Mali) with Italian experts

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				(University of Udine in Italy), the launching of a study on the economic potential of the World Heritage property of the Old Towns of Djenné and the production of promotional material.
	22	Elaboration of a Conservation and Management Plan for Historic Cairo (Egypt) ongoing.	Extra-budgetary funding (Special account)	Coordination among local and national stakeholders improved.
	23	Restoration and conservation programme for the Hassan Fathy New Gourni village in Thebes and its Necropolis (Egypt).	Extra-budgetary funding (Special account)	
	24	Restoration of the wall paintings of the tomb of Amenophis III in the Valley of the Kings in Thebes and its Necropolis (Egypt)	Extra-budgetary funding (Japan)	Carried out with UNESCO Cairo Office.
	25	Restoration of the Church of Saint-John Prodromos in the Old City of Jerusalem	Extra-budgetary funding (Leventis Foundation)	
	26	Restoration of facades in the Christian Quarter in the Old City of Jerusalem	Extra-budgetary funding (Italy)	
	27	International Assistance to carry out emergency risk mapping for the Siq of Petra (Jordan)	Request by the State Party	Carried out with UNESCO Amman Office.
	28	International Assistance for the elaboration of a restoration of the Stylite Tower of Um er-Rasas (Jordan)	Request by the State Party	
	29	International Assistance to assess the state of conservation and advise on	Request by the State Party	

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		restoration methodology for the water basins in the city of Kairouan (Tunisia)		
	30	Forest fire prevention in Qadisha Valley: risk assessment to be part of the management plan of the Qadisha Valley (Lebanon).		Carried out by UNESCO Beirut Office through a contract established with Global Fire Monitoring Centre in Germany.
ASIA-PACIFIC	31	Activities have been planned under the UNESCO/Italy Funds-in-Trust and the UNESCO/Switzerland Funds-in-Trust in order to reinforce capacities of national officials/experts in Afghanistan.	34 COM 7A.22	One training programme is aimed at reinforcing security at important monuments and sites against looting and pillages, by training experts/guards. Two other training programmes concern the use of surveying equipment as well as the manufacture of traditional tiles.
	32	Donation of EUR 14,000 to Sundarbans National Park (India) to strengthen the conservation of the Park (Donation provided by Jaeger-LeCoultre through benefit auction).		The donation will result in improved equipment for the conservation of Sundarbans National Park
ASIA-PACIFIC	33	Within the framework of the UNESCO/Italy Funds-in-Trust project for the Consolidation of the Monuments in Jam and Herat (Afghanistan), various interventions for the Fifth Minaret in Herat were implemented from September to November 2010.	34 COM 7A.22	The activity focused on developing its long-term consolidation measures, as follows: structural measurement of the Minaret with the intent of making immediate improvement to its structural integrity, monitoring of the state of conservation of the Minaret, archaeological excavation of its foundation, geo-physical survey in the vicinity of the Minaret (drilling).
	34	Within the framework of the Australian Funds-in-Trust project for the implementation of the <i>World Heritage Convention</i> in the Pacific region, a feasibility study on the Pacific Heritage	34 COM 10C	Technical assistances (2010-2011) by ICOMOS Australia for the States Parties in the Pacific are ongoing.

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ASIA-PACIFIC		Hub concept has been initiated from December 2010.		
	35	Within the framework of the UNESCO/Norway Funds-in-Trust project for support to the Central Asian Rock Art serial nominations, UNESCO has organised the 2nd UNESCO Sub-regional workshop on the Central Asian Rock Art World Heritage nomination, 6-10 September 2010 in Samarkand, Uzbekistan, in cooperation with IICAS (International Institute for Central Asian Studies). The meeting brought together experts from 5 Central Asian States Parties (Kazakhstan, Kyrgyzstan, Tajikistan, Turkmenistan and Uzbekistan), Iran, Mongolia and Pakistan, ICOMOS, and UNESCO representatives as well as international experts to discuss Central Asian Rock Art / Steppe Civilisation World Heritage nomination.	UNESCO/Norway Funds-in-Trust	All information regarding this workshop, including its Recommendation, is available on line at: http://www.unesco.org/en/events/700
	36	A UNESCO/Japan Funds-in-Trust on a three-year project for the “conservation and management of Lumbini, the Birthplace of Lord Buddha” was launched in Lumbini, Nepal, in August 2010. It is funded through the Japanese-Funds-in-Trust for the Preservation of the World’s Cultural Heritage.	UNESCO/Japan Funds-in-Trust	A Japanese team carried out the review of the present state of the Sacred Garden in respect to the concept formulated in January 2011, and a team of conservators (including international experts) carried out the fieldwork on the urgent conservation in February 2011. An international team of archaeologists implemented a field work in December 2010 to January 2011.

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	37	In response to the flood emergency in Pakistan, the World Heritage Centre sent a mission in the Sind Province in early September 2010 to evaluate the impact of the floods on the World Heritage properties. The mission assisted the national authorities with identifying the appropriate measures to ensure the conservation and preservation of the affected properties, notably the Archaeological Ruins at Moenjodaro and the Historical Monuments at Makli, Thatta.		A project proposal has been developed jointly by the World Heritage Centre and the Division of Water Sciences, Sector for Science of UNESCO to identify the possible damage caused by the floods on the stability of the dams at Moenjodaro. This first phase project has been prepared for funding from the Netherlands Funds-in-Trust. The results of this activity will form the basis of a large scale project for the stabilization and further development of the property.
EUROPE	38	The Centre participated in the ceremony of the signature of the “Charter of commitment for the management of World Heritage sites in France” (20 September 2010). http://whc.unesco.org/en/news/662	30 COM 11A.1	The Charter’s aim is to clarify the commitments of the national and local governments, with regard to properties on the World Heritage List that do not have a management plan.
LATIN AMERICA and THE CARIBBEAN	39	Continued implementation of the 3-year project for the Preservation and Conservation of Tiwanaku and the Akapana Pyramid (Bolivia), funded by the Japan Funds-in-Trust. The project was started in February 2009.	UNESCO/Japan Funds-in-Trust 32 COM 7B.119	Due to several changes in the administrative and institutional structure of the Bolivian Government, the project has been put into moratorium until the State Party guarantees the conditions necessary to continue implementation. A reactive monitoring mission was undertaken. An international expert meeting to guide the conservation plan will be coordinated by the World Heritage Centre in cooperation with the Advisory Bodies and the State Party.

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	40	Implementation of two Emergency International Assistance Requests (since 2009) for the recovery of the Historic Urban Centre of the City of Camaguey and the Valley of Viñales in Cuba, as a result of the damage caused by the hurricanes 'Gustav' and 'Ike'. This implementation has been coordinated by UNESCO Office in Havana.	31 COM 7.1 34 COM 7.3	The State Party has requested an extension of the contract and the finalization of the works are planned for December 2011. The lessons learned from the implementation of these requests will be used as case studies for the preparation of future risk preparedness plans.
	41	Within the framework of the Emergency Assistance request programme (75 000 USD), the follow-up process of the emergency expert mission to assess the damages and structural risk at the Citadel of the National History Park – Citadel, Sans Souci, Ramiers (Haiti) continued. The Centre organized an expert meeting in Paris (10 October 2010) to proceed with the elaboration of strategies and discuss the preparation of the Project document in full coherence with Decision 34 COM 7B.110 of the World Heritage Committee.	International Coordination Committee for the Safeguarding of Haitian Cultural Heritage (CIC); Action Plan for National Recovery and Development of Haiti; 185 EX/6 Part III; 186 EX/6 Part III	Four reports related to the structural conservation of the fortified heritage, the elaboration of the Retrospective Statement of Outstanding Universal Value, the state of conservation of the property and the report regarding the structural stability and risk-awareness have been finalized and will be included in the Action Plan and the Project Document. In order to guarantee the representation of the State Party, the meeting had the presence of the Director of ISPHAN, Haiti. A draft project document has been submitted to the Spanish Agency for Cooperation and Development (AECID) which has approved 275.000 USD to start the conservation and risk plans. The final technical report is currently under elaboration. A mission to Haiti was undertaken on 15 - 20 March 2011, with the objective to collaborate with national authorities and to ensure funds within the framework of the preparation of the Donors Conference for Haiti (19 April 2011).

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	42	Within the framework of the assessment mission (15-18 July 2010) for the Historic Centre of Jacmel (Tentative List) the World Heritage Centre continued working with national authorities, national foundations and international technical agencies to prepare the cooperation context for undertaking the inventory of the vernacular gingerbread houses in the city.	International Coordination Committee for the Safeguarding of Haitian Cultural Heritage (CIC); Action Plan for National Recovery and Development of Haiti; 185 EX/6 Part III; 186 EX/6 Part III. Emergency request.	The Spanish Funds-in-Trust for World Heritage has contributed an amount of 60.000 USD. The mission to Haiti (15-20 March 2011) defined the guidelines for the elaboration of an action plan for Jacmel.
	43	Update of the Haitian National Law for Heritage Protection according to the decisions established by the CIC of Haiti and in full coordination with Haitian national authorities.	CIC; Action Plan for National Recovery and Development of Haiti; 185 EX/6 Part III; 186 EX/6 Part III	Additionally 60.000 USD have been allocated for this activity by the Spanish Funds-in-Trust for World Heritage. Coordination efforts are being undertaken with Haitian authorities. Legal affairs experts have also been appointed to assist.
	44	Under the International Assistance scheme, an Emergency request was approved for undertaking urgent works at la Matriz Church and three other buildings in Valparaiso seriously	<i>Operational Guidelines</i> 34 COM 15.1	The World Heritage Centre and Chile collaborated in the definition of the appropriate interventions to be undertaken. The total amount approved by Decision 34 COM 15.1 was 140 688 USD. The first part of the works is currently under implementation

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		damaged by the 8.8 magnitude earthquake which occurred in Chile on 27 February 2010.		by the National Monuments Council in Chile. The World Heritage Centre continues to work in coordination with the State Party in the preparation of a Risk Management Plan within the framework of the International Assistance request.
	45	Under the International Assistance scheme, 30 000 USD were provided to the Malpelo Foundation (Colombia) for urgent support to establish an adequate waste treatment system and coast guard training in waste management for the prevention of the arrival of invasive species to Malpelo Fauna and Flora Sanctuary (Colombia).	Marine Programme 30 COM 8B.28	The administrative process for the implementation of this request is currently ongoing. It was recommended to address the invasive species as a priority (marine and terrestrial) and to develop a strategy to ensure that the final protocol is based on the best available information and will be effective in changing the behaviour of visitors, including the National Navy in the long term.
	46	An Emergency International Assistance for 46 604 USD has been approved for the Archaeological Park and Ruins of Quiriguá (Guatemala). A protective fence and cleaning activities will be undertaken to deal with damages associated with the tropical storm which affected the property in April 2010.	Emergency request	The administrative process for the implementation of this request is ongoing. The World Heritage Centre continues to work in close cooperation with UNESCO Office in Guatemala to provide efficient assistance to the State Party.
	47	Financial support was provided (30 000 USD), through the International Assistance scheme, for the updating of the Management Plan of Peninsula Valdes (Argentina).	Request by State Party	This assistance is currently being implemented by the Sub Secretary of Tourism and Protected Areas of Chubut, Argentina. The State Party has requested substantial changes to the budget; WHC is cooperating and has requested more detailed information according to the recommendations after the mission in December 2009.

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	48	Funding has been provided for the conservation and restoration of the mural paintings and stone decorated facade of the Deans' House in Puebla (Mexico) within the Conservation International Assistance Request scheme (30 000 USD).	Request by State Party	The project has been successfully finalized and implemented by the National Institute of Archaeology and History (INAH). A final report has been submitted and the opening ceremony is being prepared.
	49	Financial support has been approved through the International Assistance process for the preservation of the Cerro Rico Mountain in the World Heritage property of Potosi, Bolivia (26,285 USD). The objective of this assistance request is the coordination of internationally qualified experts who will work at the site.	Request by State Party	The State Party finalized the specialized studies and they are being analyzed by WHC and the Advisory Bodies (Tomography and Topography). Due to the recent collapse of the summit (mid February 2011), the State Party requested the implementation of the International assistance request and the sending of a technical mission from 25 - 27 May 2011. The experts who will undertake the mission have also been appointed.
	50	Assistance has been provided for the preparation of the Project of the Ancient Maya City and Protected Tropical Forests of Calakmul (Mexico). The project is to provide a non destructive economical tropical forest agricultural production with the local and indigenous communities. The Project deals as well with the implementation of development policies, the need to establish limits of acceptable change in accordance with tourist use and the vulnerability of heritage resources and preservation conditions.	33 COM 14.A2 34 COM 5D	70.000 USD were provided by the Spanish Agency for International Cooperation and Development (AECID). WHC is working in close cooperation with the authorities of the Protected Natural Areas Institution (CONANP) and the Government of Campeche, Mexico. The project is currently under implementation.

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		The Project considers how archaeological sites can be regarded as an observatory and a space for the transfer of expertise and innovation in the area of tourism planning, in accordance with the requirements of the integrated conservation.		
	51	Support to implement the Emergency Plan on the Historic Sanctuary of Machu Picchu (Peru) and to analyse the effectiveness of the current management system in order to preserve the natural and cultural values of the Sanctuary; creation of a participatory framework for dialogue in order to address and reduce social conflicts and demands that threaten the property; contribute in sustainable development strategies and in the regulation and control of current land ownership.	31 COM 7B.45 32 COM 7B.44 33 COM 7B.42 34 COM 7B.42	30 000 USD were provided by the Spanish Agency for International Cooperation and Development (AECID) for the organization of the meeting to install a national/international platform to implement the Emergency Plan for the Sanctuary. WHC is working closely with the Ministry of Culture and Environment of Peru to organize the panel and meeting in Cuzco (15-20 May 2011).
	52	A request for funding for the project - Monitoring, Registration and Valorisation of Joya de Cerén Archaeological site (El Salvador) has been approved (USD 25 000) under the conservation and management scheme of the International Assistance programme.	Request by State Party Zacatecas sub-regional meeting report.	The need for conservation action was raised during the sub-regional Periodic Reporting Meeting (September 2010). The recently created thematic group on Maya Sites will cooperate with technical advisors, as the project will be a case study for such interventions. The administrative process for its implementation is ongoing.
	53	Ongoing coordination with Nicaragua through an emergency assistance request for the urgent protection of the	Request by State Party	WHC is working closely with the State Party in order to obtain the additional information requested by the International Assistance panel.

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		Ruins of León Viejo (74 962 USD).		
	54	An international assistance request for funding for the training programme about biology, fisheries and conservation of pelagic fishes that live or visit the Cocos Island National Park (Costa Rica) has been approved (19 900 USD) and will be implemented by the Area de Conservacion Marina Isla del Coco.	Request by State Party Marine Programme	The administrative process for the implementation of this request is currently ongoing.
	55	Ongoing coordination with Colombia for the emergency assistance request (75 000 USD) for the Consolidation and Protection of the Walls of the Albarrada of the Historical Sector of Santa Cruz de Mompox (Colombia).	Request by State Party	Successful coordination with the State Party and Advisory Bodies that allowed the approval of this assistance request in record time.
	56	Funds provided (30 000 USD) by the International Assistance Panel for the hosting of the Centro Agronomico Tropical de Investigacion y Ensenanza (CATIES) ' 32nd Annual International Protected Areas Course: Effective Management within the context of landscapes and global change to be held from 6 to 30 June 2011 in Turrialba, Costa Rica	Request by State Party	A close cooperation has been established to enlarge the purpose of the former assistance request and prepare baseline for regional cooperation for training within the framework of the Second Cycle of the Periodic Reporting Exercise. Current coordination for the development of the World Heritage component in the request has been established.
	57	Within the framework of the Tourism Programme, the Belize Coastal Zone Plan was created, which includes a policy to expand the fishing no take areas from 2 to 20 percent over the next year. The	34 COM 7A.13	The Danger Listing has resulted in prompt reaction by the Belizean government, the State Party's active NGO conservation community and stakeholders. The elaboration of the Plan is currently under implementation and will be finalized

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		Belize Coastal Zone Management Authority (CZM), The Nature Conservancy (TNC) and Belize Audubon Society (BAS), are moving forward on this comprehensive Coastal Zone Management Plan. This project will help stakeholders integrate within the Coastal Zone Plan. This will also help to develop a combined training package with methodologies that could be used for Belizean protected area managers.		during the next 18 months (by 2012).
	58	Financial support was provided through an International Assistance Request (30 000 USD), regarding "Threats mitigation over the Outstanding Universal Value of Los Katíos National Park in coordination with relevant authorities and local communities" (Colombia). This assistance request is part of an approximately \$115,000 project which has other components focusing on working with the communities to reduce pressure on illegal logging. The International Assistance funds are sought primarily for the construction of a strategically located field ranger station so that close monitoring of the source of illegal logging can take place.	Request by State Party <i>Operational Guidelines</i>	The project is currently under implementation, however due to security issues full implementation has not been possible. WHC is working with the State Party to elaborate an appropriate strategy for the completion of its implementation.

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REGION		ACTIVITIES	DECISION	RESULTS obtained and CHALLENGES encountered
GLOBAL	1	The feedback to the pilot version of the World Heritage in Young Hands (WHYH) interactive DVD (produced in 2010), the multimedia version of the printed WHYH Kit for teachers enriched with videos and images is now being consolidated so as to integrate improvements and updates. The goal is to produce the final English version by mid-2011. The pilot version was disseminated to UNESCO Associated Schools Project (ASPnet) network, World Heritage site management authorities and partner NGOs undertaking World Heritage activities including UNESCO Clubs, UN Volunteers network as well as other stakeholders participating in programmes and activities of WHC, as well as to National Commissions, Permanent Delegations and UNESCO Field Offices. The WHYH-DVD will be made available online and as the print is limited, procedure for reproduction authorization is being worked out to enable States Parties to reproduce copies for educators and schools in their respective countries.		The release of the WHYH-DVD provides UNESCO with a cost-effective means of responding to the need for educational resource materials of States Parties' national institutions organizing WHE activities. Funding sources to finance the production of the finalized English version and to produce a French version continue to be a challenge. Extra-budgetary resources have not yet been identified.
	2	The translation and publication of the World Heritage in Young Hands Kit in the following language versions are currently being undertaken in collaboration with the concerned National Commissions and/or UNESCO Field Offices and in coordination with DPI		Publishing new national language versions is not sufficient but encouraging States Parties to introduce the tool to users by conducting capacity-building activities (teacher training, seminars skills development courses for young people) is most important.

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		(Department of Public Information): Turkish (Turkey National Commission), Sinhala and Tamil (SriLankan National Commission), Croatian (Croatian National Commission), Vietnamese adaptation (Vietnamese National Commission) and Serbian translation (UNA-Serbia with support from the Serbian National Commission). In coordination with UNESCO Amman Office, the updated Arabic version was released in June 2010 with 1,000 copies disseminated to States Parties in the Arab Region. Follow-up actions on Portuguese (for online publication), Amharic (Ethiopian National Commission) and a draft African adaptation "Our African Heritage in Young Hands" (AWHF) have been circulated for comment.		
	3	The Patrimonito's World Heritage Adventures - International Storyboard Competition 2010-2011 was launched in June 2010. The project mobilizes secondary school pupils and youth club members to use their creative and problem-solving skills and create storyboards on the four specific themes of World Heritage and the role of Communities, Sustainable Tourism, Sustainable Development and Biodiversity. The project is carried out in collaboration with all National Commissions, Field Offices, World Heritage site management authorities, Youth NGOs and ASPnet with the involvement of NGOs undertaking activities related with World Heritage including UNESCO	<i>Operational Guidelines</i> Chapter VI	The presentation of this activity is equally relevant for "communication" as for "capacity-building". The activity generates worldwide interest. However, it entails considerable coordination and monitoring efforts with the main partners. Space & logistic factors continue to pose concern. The transformation of the storyboards into animated films is cost heavy as the market pricing for service is calculated on the basis of film-seconds. Fund requirements have currently been identified only for the production of one of the 4 themes. Further search for funding could impact on pace and full implementation of the project which will run most probably beyond the biennium.

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		Clubs, UN Volunteers network, as well as other stakeholders. The project implementation is in line with the timeframe. The best submissions will be selected by an international jury. The storyboards will be professionally produced into animated films as new episodes of Patrimonito's World Heritage Adventures series and globally distributed to schools and at World Heritage Youth events.		
	4	Our Treasures at Risk – World Heritage Sites in Times of Climate Change” Go4BioDiv” International Youth Forum organized in conjunction with the 10th Meeting of the Conference of the Parties (COP10) for the Convention on Biological Diversity (CBD) was held in Mount Fuji and Nagoya, Japan, 16-29 October 2010 in collaboration with the German Agency for Technical Cooperation and Development (GTZ or now GIZ), CBD and IUCN.	33 COM 5C 34 COM 5D	The Youth Forum gathered 35 young people (19-30 years old, 66% female) from 23 countries who shared their experiences and discussed challenges and threats concerning their sites. They produced personal video statements, an exhibition and a brochure and held several side events (including one on indigenous communities) at CBD COP10. Results are available online http://www.go4biodiv.org (GTZ/EXB-WHF)

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	5	The initiative World Heritage Volunteers: Património Voluntary Action 2010 , organized in collaboration with the Coordinating Committee for International Voluntary Service (CCIVS) and national volunteer organizations, implemented 27 youth work camps/action camps from June to November 2010 in 16 States Parties [Albania, Armenia, France, India, Indonesia, Italy, Japan, Kenya, Malawi, Mexico, Peru, Republic of Korea, Togo, Ukraine, Viet Nam and Zambia] and in the Palestinian Territories. Activities were conducted in relation to 16 cultural and 11 natural sites (of which 21 World Heritage properties, 4 in Tentative Lists and 1 WH in Danger List). A report on the 2010 volunteer projects is under preparation for online publication.		A total of 367 international volunteers participated in conservation and preservation activities, awareness-raising campaigns in relation to World Heritage sites and sizeable outreach activities to the local communities and youth. A majority of the projects were covered by the media (radio, TV, newspaper, news agency, e-newspaper, YouTube, web). The activity is cost-effective: financial support and active participation of both beneficiaries and partners: international volunteers and local communities as well as local authorities, families and individuals.
	6	The World Heritage Volunteers 2011 (4th edition) was launched at the end of December 2010. 30 action projects were selected to be part of the campaign which will be carried out between March and October 2011.	<i>Operational Guidelines</i> Chapter VI	
	7	18-19 December 2010, Bahrain: first coordination meeting of all World Heritage Category II Centres (C2Cs)	34 COM 9C	Results and link to report provided in document WHC-11/35 COM/6.

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AFRICA	8	“Cahier junior Saint-Louis du Sénégal” - A handbook for children.		Awareness-raising initiative from the Municipality of Saint-Louis in the form of a booklet for children written in Wolof and French, in partnership with Lille Metropolitan area, the Municipality of Lille and the Architectural School of Lille (France) within the framework of the France-UNESCO Cooperation Agreement.
	9	Lalibela (Ethiopia) development of the management plan.	30 COM 7B.40 31 COM 7B.46 32 COM 7B.47 33 COM 7B.43	The first Technical Committee meeting for the drafting of Lalibela World Heritage Site Management Plan took place in January 2011, two more meetings are planned for March and April 2011; A site management workshop took place in Lalibela (Ethiopia) on 6-8 July 2010; A training Workshop for 20 tourism guides took place from 14 to 25 June 2010.
	10	A European Union funded project on “Cultural heritage and local development” is being implemented with the support of France-UNESCO Cooperation Agreement. This programme on capacity-building for local authorities (Mayors, decision-makers, technicians and sites managers) involves heritage cities in West Africa (Benin, Cape Verde, Morocco, Mauritania and Senegal) with a focus on World Heritage properties.		2 training workshops on heritage and development took place in Mali (October 2010) and Mauritania (April 2011). These one-week training modules gathered 40 elected officials and technical officers from Malian and Mauritanian heritage cities.

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	11	Expert meeting on the state of conservation of World Heritage properties, Dakar, Senegal (financed by Australia Funds-In-Trust)	33 COM 14A.2 34 COM 10D	Trends/themes in state of conservation reporting identified, information sharing on management approaches to common problems facilitated, issues to include in the World Heritage Committee policy approaches to common threats identified.
ARAB STATES	12	As a follow-up to the second cycle of Periodic Reporting, organisation of a Regional meeting for the elaboration of the Regional Programme.	34 COM 10A	Drafting of a series of Sub-regional Action Plans which will constitute the Regional Programme
	13	Training in the use of the Housing Rehabilitation Manual through the restoration of facades in the Christian Quarter in the Old City of Jerusalem.		Extra-budgetary project (Italy)
	14	Development of an Architectural Heritage Preservation Institute in Jerusalem.		EU funded project in partnership with the Welfare Association
	15	Provision of guidance on the development of a nomination file for Al Zubara Pearling Village in Qatar.		AWHF
	16	Training Workshop in Oman on Tourism Development in World Heritage Sites, Biosphere Reserves and Geoparks.		Extra-budgetary project (Netherlands)
	17	Capacity-building in preparing nomination files carried out by the AWHF in Arab-speaking countries of Africa.		Carried out by UNESCO Doha Office
	18	Training programme in heritage conservation and management for Yemeni conservation professionals.		Carried out by UNESCO Doha Office

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ASIA PACIFIC	19	Within the framework of the UNESCO/Republic of Korea Funds-in-Trust for the Preservation of the Koguryo Tombs, two field-works were carried out in June and November 2010 for the conservation of mural paintings of the Susan-ri Tomb including the relevant structural interventions preventing it from water infiltration (Protection of the World Heritage property of the Koguryo Tombs' Complex).	UNESCO/Republic of Korea Funds-in-Trust	This involved on-the-job training to build staff capacities within the People's Democratic Republic of Korea responsible authorities.
	20	Within the framework of the UNESCO/Switzerland Funds-in-Trust project for the Consolidation of the Minaret of Jam (Afghanistan) inscribed on the World Heritage List, the following documents were completed in June 2010 on the basis of the investigation of the geo-physical survey on the Minaret of Jam in May 2010: Establishment of a detailed topography of the area of Jam and production of the full documentation regarding the monitoring of the Minaret's inclination.	UNESCO/Switzerland Funds-in-Trust	This ensured on-the-job training to build capacities of staff from Afghanistan responsible authorities.
	21	A UNESCO/Japan Funds-in-Trust three-year project for the "Conservation and management of Lumbini, the Birthplace of Lord Buddha" was launched in Lumbini (Nepal) in August 2010. It is funded through the Japanese Funds-in-Trust for the Preservation of the World's Cultural Heritage. An international team of archaeologists (for the most part from the United Kingdom) implemented a field work in December 2010 to January 2011.	UNESCO/Japan Funds-in-Trust	A Japanese team carried out the review of the present state of the Sacred Garden in respect to the concept formulated by Kenzo Tange in January 2011 and a team of conservators (including international experts from Italy) carried out the fieldwork on the urgent conservation in February 2011.

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	22	In 2010, within the framework of the Japan Funds-in-Trust phase III of Bamiyan project in conjunction with The International Conference for the Safeguarding of Afghanistan's Cultural Heritage (Kabul, October 2010), UNESCO organized 8 international missions to Afghanistan. Furthermore, a joint UNESCO/ICCROM Advisory Body Mission to the Cultural Landscape and Archaeological Remains of the Bamiyan Valley, as requested by the 34th Session of the World Heritage Committee (Brasilia, July 2010) was carried out on 20-26 November 2010.	Japan Funds-in-Trust	The 8 international missions to Afghanistan consisted in assisting the Afghan relevant institutions for the better preservation of Bamiyan cultural landscape. The joint mission managed to assess the state of conservation of the World Heritage property and provide guidance/advice on priority measures to be taken and options for the future stabilization and interpretation of the Giant Buddha niches in particular.
	23	Under the Spanish Funds-in-Trust, the International Workshop on the Preparation of a Management Plan for Samarkand was organised in Samarkand in October 2010, where sites managers of Samarkand and other World Heritage properties in Uzbekistan gathered and discussed the preparation of a management plan.	Spanish Funds-in-Trust	An Action Plan was adopted.
	24	Business Skills for natural World Heritage site managers programme implemented for the 2nd year in Malaysia, attracting participants from 6 additional World Heritage sites in the Region. Carried out under a Memorandum of Understanding (MoU) with Earthwatch, and with the participation of Shell management professionals.	Memorandum of Understanding (MoU) with Earthwatch	Managers from 9 World Heritage properties in the Region have participated now in this intensive 1 week training course – and benefited from a follow-up 1 year mentoring support from Shell management experts. Challenges related to follow-up implementation capacity and to the relatively poor English language capacity amongst other potential participants.

3C. Activities to promote the development of effective Capacity-Building measures (Capacity-Building)				
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	25	WHC contributed to the organisation of the Workshop on Drafting Retrospective Statements of Outstanding Universal Value for Nordic-Baltic Sub-Region , in the framework of the Second Cycle of the Periodic Reporting (Tallinn, Estonia, October 2010). The workshop was organized by the Nordic World Heritage Foundation and the Estonian National Commission. http://www.nwhf.no/index.cfm?oa=content.display&con=473	34 COM 10B.3	Eight models of Statements of Outstanding Universal Value were drafted; resource material was made available online.
	26	The Segundo Foro Juvenil Iberoamericano del Patrimonio Mundial was held on 20-30 June 2010 in Aranjuez, Spain with focus on Cultural Landscape and Sustainable Cultural Tourism. The activity involved 46 youth participants between 12 and 15 years old (54% female students) coming from specific World Heritage properties in Bolivia, Brazil, Chile, Colombia, Cuba, Mexico, Peru, Portugal, Spain and Venezuela.		Results (documentation, video, guide, 'foropedia') are available online: http://www.patrimoniojoven.com/ (Spanish Ministry of Culture/WHF). With the success of the activity, the State Party has taken steps to continue the initiative, hold a 3rd edition in 2011 and maintain the website of the project. Other initiatives subsequent to the Forum include the Patrimonito Joven stand (Art and Heritage) at the Salon du patrimoine in Valladolid, Spain in December 2010.
	27	WHC participated in the international conference " World Heritage Status- Economic Opportunities for Tourism Destinations - the case of the Douro Valley, Portugal" (Porto, Portugal, June 2010) http://www.discoverdourovalley.com/conference.php	30 COM 11A.1 Strategic Action Plan	Reinforced capacity for World Heritage management; World Heritage promoted at international level and cooperation with tourism industry enhanced.

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	28	WHC participated in the University Programme in Cultural Heritage Management and Sustainable Development at the Institute of Social and European Studies (ISES), (Koszeg, Hungary, June 2010). http://ises.hu/programmes/cultural-heritage-management	30 COM.11A.1 Strategic Action Plan	Reinforced capacity for Word Heritage management; reinforced cooperation with universities and focused research programmes; UNESCO Chair application under preparation;
	29	WHC participated in the World Heritage Masters programme at the University College Dublin (UCD) (Dublin, Ireland, September 2010) http://www.ucd.ie/heritage/masters.html	30 COM 11A.1 Strategic Action Plan	Reinforced capacity for World Heritage management; reinforced cooperation with universities; follow-up on the state of conservation of the Bend of the Boyne World Heritage property.
	30	WHC started developing a cooperation with Stanford University (USA) and delivered lectures at the Stanford Archaeology Centre (November 2010) https://www.stanford.edu/dept/archaeology/cgi-bin/drupal/	30 COM 11A.1 Strategic Action Plan	Reinforced capacity for World Heritage management; reinforced cooperation with universities.
	31	Preparations are ongoing with the Slovenian and Croatian National Commissions as main partners for the organization of the First South East Europe World Heritage Youth Forum : the role of World Heritage education in the dialogue among cultures. The Forum is foreseen to be held on 23-27 May 2011, with young people and educators/curriculum developers from 11 South East European countries as target beneficiaries.	Request of the States Parties	

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LATIN AMERICA AND THE CARIBBEAN	32	The Preparatory meeting for the Periodic Reporting Exercise of the South America Sub-Region was held in Rio de Janeiro, Brazil (7-11 December 2010).	28 COM 16 7 EXT COM 5E 29 COM 5 31COM 11D.1 Para 7	120 participants from 10 States Parties including the national focal points, sites managers, the Brazilian authorities in charge of heritage protection (National Institute of Historic and Artistic Heritage (IPHAN) and the International and Social Chico Mendes Institute, representatives of the Category 2 Centre (C2C) in Rio de Janeiro and the Advisory Bodies (IUCN, ICOMOS, and ICCROM) attended. The organization of the meeting was undertaken in close coordination with the Brazilian authorities, the C2C in Rio de Janeiro and UNESCO Office in Brasilia. 98% of the total Retrospective Statements of Outstanding Universal Value have been submitted for this Sub-Region (39 statements)
	33	The preparatory meeting for the Caribbean has been scheduled for Barbados (4-8 April 2011). Besides the Periodic Reporting Exercise, the meeting will include in its agenda the Small Island Developing States (SIDS) programme, a review of the progress made in the implementation of the 2004 – 2014 Action Plan for the Caribbean and the feasibility study for establishing a World Heritage Fund for the Caribbean.	28 COM 16 7 EXT.COM 5E 29 COM 5 31COM 11D.1 Para 7 SIDS Programme	The participation of various national focal points, Caribbean Community (CARICOM) representatives, site managers of inscribed properties, national and international experts, the Advisory Bodies of the <i>World Heritage Convention</i> and representatives of UNESCO Field Offices attended. Funds for the meeting have been raised and provided by the World Heritage Fund under the International Assistance scheme, the Regular Programme Budget, Spanish Funds-in-Trust and the Netherlands Funds-in-Trust and the Government of Andorra. 88% of the total Retrospective Statements of Outstanding Universal Value have been submitted for this Sub-Region (14 statements). The set of recommendations have been adopted at the SIDS meeting, and the final report is being finalized.

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	34	Caribbean Capacity-Building Programme (CCBP) training on the implementation of the <i>World Heritage Convention</i> in the Caribbean, Havana, Cuba (15-17 September 2010)		
	35	The second cycle of sub-regional meetings to be held in Peru, Costa Rica and the Dominican Republic, is planned to commence after the launching of the Periodic Reporting Exercise during the 35th Session of the World Heritage Committee (Paris, 2011).	28 COM 16 WHC-04/7 EXT.COM 5E 29 COM 5 31 COM 11D.1, Para 7	UNESCO Field Offices in the Region have included funds in their budgets for the organization of these meetings. WHC Latin American and the Caribbean Unit is working closely with them in the framework of the 35/C5.
	36	Financial support (30 000 USD) was provided, through the International Assistance conservation and management scheme for the "Colonia del Sacramento Historic Quarter Management improvement" (Uruguay).	26 COM 21 (b) 71 27 COM 7B.101 28 COM 15B.105 29 COM 7B.99 32 COM 7B.128 33 COM 7B.146	This activity is currently under implementation by the <i>Consejo Ejecutivo Honorario de las Obras de Preservación y Reconstrucción de la Antigua Colonia del Sacramento</i> . The participation of an expert in participative management plans elaboration was recommended by WHC and financed by the Spanish Funds-in-Trust for World Heritage.
	37	Within the framework of the Periodic Reporting Exercise, a first meeting of legal experts in the implementation of World Heritage for Latin America and the Caribbean is scheduled in Montevideo, Uruguay on 25 – 27 April 2011.	Proposed by Uruguay (Brasília, 2010); required during the meetings in Zacatecas, Rio de Janeiro and Barbados.	In close coordination with the State Party and UNESCO Office in Montevideo, the meeting will be financed by the Spanish Funds-in-Trust for World Heritage and will count with the presence of representatives from all States Parties in the Region.

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	38	A meeting for the follow-up of the preparation of the second issue of the series "Sustainable Indicators for Urban World Heritage properties" was held from 6 to 7 October 2010.	33.COM.7.1 34.COM.7.1	A total of 10 experts attended and the road map for the second volume of the Urban World Heritage and Sustainable Development Series was finalized. The World Heritage Centre and the <i>Instituto Andaluz de Patrimonio</i> (Andalucia Institute of Heritage) have worked closely and the issue will be printed in April 2011.
	39	The United Nations Foundation (UNF) – The Nature Conservancy (TNC) – World Heritage Centre project entitled "Promoting Conservation through Sustainable Local Tourism Development at World Heritage Sites: Demand-Driven Assessments and Engaging the Private Sector" produced a participatory Public Resource and Use Plan for Half Moon Caye and Blue Hole Natural Monuments (Belize). These are two components of the serial site of the Belize Barrier Reef Reserve System World Heritage Site.	34 COM 7A.13	The plan that was produced included a study on limits of acceptable change and a financial plan. The plan was started with a regional training workshop for public use planning. Participants included The Nature Conservancy (Belize, Mexico and World Wide Office), Belize Audubon Society, Amigos de Sian Kaan and National Commission of Natural Protected Areas (Comisión Nacional de Áreas Naturales Protegidas -CONANP). This planning still needs additional funding to enter into a strong implementation stage.
	40	To extend The Nature Conservancy (TNC) work in Belize, the Coastal Zone Management Authority and Institute (CZM) was funded to organize small-group training sessions on public use for CZM staff.	34 COM 7A.13	High level two-day meeting on public use and relevant planning methodologies for Belize decision-makers and protected area site management staff, and development of a radio and television programme presenting the recommendations from the above-mentioned meetings related to conservation efforts at the Belize Barrier Reef Reserve System World Heritage site. This was carried out in 2010 and contributed to Belize's very positive efforts to address the site In Danger listing status.

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	41	In coordination with IPHAN - Instituto do Patrimônio Histórico e Artístico Nacional (Brazil) and the Brazil Office, the Fórum Juvenil do Patrimônio Mundial 2010 was held on 16 - 25 July 2010 in Brasília and organized in conjunction with the 34th World Heritage Committee session. The event carried the themes of colonial, modern and natural heritage. The activity gathered 46 youth participants (18-24 years old) from Spanish & Portuguese speaking countries. The youth event led to the creation of a website forum, participants' visits of World Heritage sites, preparation of a video and a youth declaration presented at the opening ceremony of the World Heritage Committee session, creation of a network to sustain youth exchanges and actions and put forward heritage projects, the best of which received the Christina Cameron/Hostelling International Award. Results are available online: http://www.patrimoniojovem.com.br/		The organization of youth forums in conjunction with the World Heritage Committee sessions should be pursued. The experiences and results over the past 6 years should be evaluated towards developing mechanisms for meaningful youth participation in the implementation of the <i>Convention</i> and mainstreaming youth concerns in Committee's policy and actions.

4C. Activities to increase public awareness, involvement and support for World Heritage through Communication				
REGION		ACTIVITIES	DECISION	RESULTS obtained and CHALLENGES encountered
GLOBAL	1	Within the World Heritage Resource Manual Series, so far, 4 titles are being developed: <i>Managing Disaster Risks for World Heritage</i>, <i>Preparing World Heritage Nominations</i>, <i>Managing Cultural World Heritage</i> and, <i>Managing Natural World Heritage</i>. The main partners of the World Heritage Centre are the Advisory Bodies, as authors of the manuals. An Editorial Board of the Series makes all the necessary decisions.	30 COM 6 30 COM 15.2 31 COM 21B 32 COM 18 33 COM 10B 34 COM 7.3	The presentation of this activity is equally relevant for "capacity-building" as for "communication". 1- The first Manual "Managing Disaster Risks for World Heritage" in collaboration with ICCROM was published in June 2010 in French and English as an interactive online PDF. The World Heritage Centre is looking for funds to translate it into other relevant languages. 2- The second Manual of the Series, "Preparing World Heritage Nominations", in collaboration with ICOMOS and IUCN, in its 2010 edition, was published in March 2011 in French and English as an interactive online PDF. After revision of the <i>Operational Guidelines</i>, a second edition is planned for Fall 2011. Fundraising for translation is ongoing. 3- The drafts of the Manuals on "Managing Cultural World Heritage" in collaboration with ICCROM and "Managing Natural World Heritage" in collaboration with IUCN were received and the publication stages have begun at the level of the World Heritage Centre. They are planned to be published at the end of 2011, beginning of 2012. The publication process for each Manual is long but the result is sustainable and widely disseminated thanks to the PDF format. Comments were received on the necessity to translate the Manuals in all official languages and print some of them. Therefore, it is important to identify funds for the follow-up.

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	2	The World Heritage Volunteers 2008-2009 Report on the 23 projects conducted in 2008 and 2009 was released in July 2010.		300 copies were disseminated to local youth organizations and local partners. The report is now available online: http://whc.unesco.org/uploads/activities/documents/activity-620-3.pdf
	3	By early March 2011, the following issues of the quarterly magazine "World Heritage" were published in English, French and Spanish: Issues 56 (World Heritage and the International Year of Biodiversity), 57 (World Heritage in Brazil) and 58 (World Heritage and Sustainable Tourism). In preparation are issues 59 (World Heritage and Water) and 60 (World Heritage of Bahrain, Oman and Saudi Arabia). Issue 57, published on the occasion of the 34th session of the World Heritage Committee in Brasilia, was also published in Portuguese.		Issue 57 was printed in Europe for European and worldwide distribution; and in Brazil for distribution during the 34th session of the World Heritage Committee. Starting with issue 56, the magazine is produced with a new co-publisher, PFD Publications, Ltd. The transition was smooth. Efforts are being made to improve dissemination and subscriptions. The magazine is being disseminated as an electronic version to approximately 70,000 members of the WHC website database.
	4	Development of a promotional video on the power of the <i>World Heritage Convention</i> for conservation of marine areas with Outstanding Universal Value and the threats posed to currently inscribed marine World Heritage sites.		The video increases the understanding of the power and potential of the <i>World Heritage Convention</i> for conservation of marine areas with Outstanding Universal Value.
	5	Launch of Twitter, Facebook and YouTube pages to increase the distribution of information on World Heritage Marine Sites		Facebook, Twitter and YouTube pages increase visibility among a primarily young public.

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	6	Organization of an exhibition on Marine World Heritage at the United Nations Pavilion during Expo 2010 in Shanghai, China (7 September 2010).		Exposure and promotion of World Heritage marine sites to an estimated 50,000 visitors.
	7	Publication of the first annual newsletter of activities developed under the World Heritage Marine Programme		The annual publication improves the communication and knowledge about marine World Heritage towards the ocean community and beyond. Together with other communication initiatives, the effort supports the development of stronger partnerships to conserve marine World Heritage.
	8	Publication of 8 full page articles on marine World Heritage sites in the printed editions of the International Herald Tribune and accompanying short summary videos in the online global edition of the New York Times. The media campaign is part of the successful Tides of Time partnership between the World Heritage Centre, Jaeger-LeCoultre and the International Herald Tribune		The successful media campaign is raising considerably the visibility and communication about marine World Heritage sites to the general public at a global scale.
	9	World Heritage Papers Series N° 27 Managing Historic Cities /Gérer les villes du patrimoine mondial was published in September 2010, in English and French in one volume.	Implementation of the World Heritage Committee programme on Cities	The publication with the support of the Netherlands Funds-in-Trust and the France-UNESCO Cooperation Agreement (English and French) in one bilingual volume caused delays, due to inadequate translation from English into French. The publication was broadly disseminated. 1,500 copies were printed, and 50% were disseminated. Following the online announcement, a multitude of requests for hard copies was received. The reception of the volume was favourable.

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	10	The 2011 UNESCO World Heritage Desk Diary was published and 4,000 copies were printed, for sale and limited free distribution.	<i>Operational Guidelines</i> Chapter VI	Of the 4,000 copies printed, a total of 1693 copies were sold by beginning March. In addition, WHC distributed 1,000 copies free of charge to site managers, national authorities and partners.
	11	The e-mail newsletter “ World Heritage Information ” was sent in October 2010 and February 2011 in French or English to 70,000 members registered on WHC website. The newsletter announced the electronic version of issues n° 56 of the World Heritage magazine on Biodiversity and n° 58 on Sustainable Tourism. It allowed readers to consult the entire issues in English, French and Spanish online. It also provided an opportunity for readers to subscribe to the print magazine.	<i>Operational Guidelines</i> Chapter VI	For the first time, readers could consult an entire issue of the World Heritage magazine online in English, French and Spanish. Online distribution is an excellent way to reach out to wide audiences, while at the same time initial reports indicate that this will also lead to accrued subscription numbers.

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	12	A second edition of the book The World's Heritage , a co-edition between UNESCO and Harper Collins UK, is under preparation. The content has also been licensed to local publishers for editions in Dutch, French, German, Hungarian and Spanish.	<i>Operational Guidelines</i> Chapter VI	Since its launch in 2009, the book has been produced in 213,700 copies in 8 languages. This is a co-publication between UNESCO Publishing and Harper Collins. An Internet application was also launched on 31 December 2010 which allows the book contents to be downloaded onto iPhone/iPad. Since then there has been 756 downloads. Finalizing contractual arrangements is a long-lasting process and needs to be improved. Marketing efforts also need to be strengthened. A 2nd edition will be prepared with new sites included at the 35COM. It is estimated that 75-80% of the total printed copies have been sold to retailers and 50-60% have now been sold to the general public.
	13	100,000 copies of the 2010-2011 World Heritage Map were produced in English, French and Spanish versions with the support of the Bahraini Ministry of Culture, the United Nations Foundation and in collaboration with National Geographic Maps. In addition to dissemination through National Commissions and UNESCO Field Offices, maps are distributed online through a mailing cost-recovery policy. An Arabic version of the World Heritage Map is in production for the distribution of 20,000 copies at the 35th session of the World Heritage Committee.	<i>Operational Guidelines</i> Chapter VI	Sustainable ways of funding this annual publication - one of the main outreach products of the WHC - are still being sought.

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	14	A World Heritage comics book called The Case of the Lost World Heritage is under production. The book is part of a series co-published between UNESCO and Edge Group, United Kingdom. The comics will also be available online on WHC website.	<i>Operational Guidelines</i> Chapter VI	
	15	3,527, 925 pages views (+11%) and 810, 684 visits on WHC website in 2010 (+12%) (comparison with 2009).		Better visibility and credibility
	16	5,857 new members have subscribed online on WHC website database since March 2010 for a total of 80,247 members		
	17	Updates and amendments were made on various World Heritage Centre website chapters such as news, events, reservations, World Heritage sites, Committee documents and decisions, activities, group tools, The List, maps, search, images and photo banks.		Better readability and usability of the website results in a better credibility and helps all <i>Convention</i> stakeholders.
	18	Enriched website content with long site descriptions, historical site descriptions, 831 sites videos in 5 languages, site images, archive documents.		Efficient data manipulation. More contents that can be used for a large audience.
	19	The new UNESCO graphic charter was launched into WHC website in December 2010.		Strengthen UNESCO corporate identity and improve inter-sectoral exchange.

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	20	Updates, amendments and additions were made to the International Assistance database, such as complementary statistics and automatic analysis, international assistance requests archives have been examined and checked		Requests are made electronically by States Parties. International Assistance requests are available to Advisory Bodies and States Parties.
	21	Updates, amendments and additions were made to the Periodic Reporting online questionnaire , such as statistics and analysis, performances, exports and downloads.		
	22	Technical implementation of the Multilateral Environment Agreement Information and Knowledge Management Initiative (MEA IKM) that brings together 12 Global Multilateral Environmental Agreements (InforMEA).		Data exchange with a multiple database system
	23	Data exchange facilities with Partners (Nokia, Google, TripAdvisor)		Creation of feeds to facilitate publication of World Heritage contents. Integrate partners data collected into the World Heritage information system.
	24	75 online donations were made in 2010 for 5000 CNY, 20 GBP, 6 010 USD, 440 EUR		The amount of online donations is not substantial and efforts should be made to improve the promotion of this fund-raising tool.
AFRICA	25	Island of Mozambique: Four-fold project for the improvement of the Island of Mozambique (financed by Flanders Funds-in-Trust).	Flanders Funds-in-Trust	Production of a documentary movie, a mobile exhibition and other promotional material on the project and the World Heritage property.

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ARAB STATES	26	Translation and publication in Arabic of the "World Heritage Information Kit" and distribution to all States Parties of the Region. In coordination with UNESCO Amman Office, the updated Arabic version of the World Heritage in Young Hands Kit was released with 1,000 copies disseminated to States Parties in the Arab Region. Additions to the ICCROM on-line glossary on conservation (English-Arabic-English) were funded in order to include World Heritage concepts and terminology. International Assistance was granted to Iraq in order to prepare a roving exhibition on Iraqi heritage, in particular World Heritage sites. An informal translation into Arabic of the results of the Second Cycle of the Periodic Reporting in the Arab States WHC-10/34COM 10A was produced and disseminated to all focal points in the Region.		There is a strong need for World Heritage related documentation in Arabic, including the World Heritage Resource Manuals and Paper Series. The lack of funding in this respect has hampered such translations.
ASIA PACIFIC	27	UNESCO in close collaboration with the Government of Afghanistan organized in March 2011 the 9th Expert Working Group Meeting for the Preservation of the Safeguarding of the Cultural Landscape and Archaeological Remains of the Bamiyan Valley World Heritage property at UNESCO Headquarters. The 45	34 COM 7A.23	A Recommendation has been adopted during this Expert Working Group Meeting. Furthermore, the event benefited from worldwide press coverage.

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		participants of the Expert Working Group Meeting included national staff from the Afghan Government, international experts and implementing partners. The purpose of the Meeting was to monitor and evaluate the project activities that have been carried out and to update and co-ordinate future priority actions for the following year. The Expert Working Group Meeting followed the 2 March 2011 International Forum: "Towards Cultural Rapprochement and Tolerance", to commemorate the 10th anniversary of the tragic destruction of the Buddha statues in Bamiyan in March 2001.		
	28	International Forum on Cultural Heritage and Urban Regeneration within the framework of Shanghai EXPO 2010, China.		This activity, initiated by WHC and China's Ministry of Culture, gathered some 800 national and international experts to discuss the role of cultural heritage in fostering urban development. The event recognised the role of UNESCO in this field and helped strengthening its Culture and Development policy platform at the global level. A new Historical Cities Alliance was created in Suzhou, China. This initiative could be a new valuable networking tool to share experiences and knowledge among city managers and citizens. High-level participants of the meeting expressed their support to UNESCO to integrate Culture and Development in the Millennium Development Goals revision process.

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	29	The Centre participated in the following events related to Landscapes: - Celebration of the 10th anniversary of the European Landscape Convention, co-organized by the Council of Europe and the Government of Italy (Florence, Italy, October 2010). http://www.coe.int/t/dg4/cultureheritage/heritage/Landscape/ReunionConf/Celebration10/default_en.asp - and International Forum on Cultural Heritage and Landscape (Florence, Italy, November 2010) http://www.florens2010.com/en	<i>Operational Guidelines:</i> para 41-44;	International cooperation was reinforced for the protection and management of landscapes.
	30	WHC participated in the meeting of experts on the European Heritage Label: "Europe: a shared history! – why transnational projects?" (Brussels, Belgium, October 2010). http://www.eutrio.be/pressrelease/europe-shared-history-why-transnational-projects	34COM10B.3	Reinforced cooperation with the European Commission; follow-up on the Periodic Reporting (through meetings with the representatives of States Parties).
	31	WHC participated in the conference "Culture & Heritage: Two Perspectives" (Edinburgh, United Kingdom, December 2010)	30 COM 11A.1 Strategic Action Plan	World Heritage promoted at international level (representatives of several countries attended the event); follow-up on the state of conservation of Edinburgh World Heritage site.
	32	The Centre participated in the information meeting of the Committee on Culture, Science and Education of the Parliamentary Assembly of the Council of Europe (Paris, 4 November 2010).	30 COM 11A.1 Strategic Action Plan	Reinforced cooperation with the Council of Europe in the field of World Heritage.

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	33	Further to Resolution 35 C/72 of the General Conference, UNESCO is associated with meetings, events and initiatives related to the commemoration of the 100th anniversary of the death of Osman Hamdi Bey (Turkey), in the field of the protection of cultural heritage.	Resolution 35 C/72	Reinforced cooperation with the State Party, with emphasis on management of World Heritage properties.
	34	The Centre participated in the international conference of the European Union-project NET-HERITAGE on "Increasing Europe's competitiveness through cultural heritage research", organized by the German Federal Environmental Foundation (Deutsche Bundesstiftung Umwelt, DBU) in Brussels, Belgium on 24 March 2011. http://www.netheritage.eu/ and http://www.netheritage.eu/download/Description_of_event.pdf	30 COM 11A.1 Strategic Action Plan	World Heritage promoted at international level and research and capacity-building cooperation improved.
LATIN AMERICA and THE CARIBBEAN	35	Organization of the Donors Conference for Haiti (UNESCO Headquarters, 19 April 2011). Preparation of the communication strategy. Technical support for the Special Adviser to the Director-General of UNESCO for Haiti; meetings with States Parties, Agencies of Cooperation, Development Banks; Inter-sectoral collaboration at UNESCO Culture, Education, External Relations and Public Information (ERI) Sectors and the Bureau for Field Coordination (BFC). This activity is also related to Communities, Conservation and Capacity-	International Coordination Committee for the Safeguarding of Haitian Cultural Heritage (CIC); Action Plan for National Recovery and Development	Preparation of a communication strategy, leaflets, completion of project sheets and a web platform is under elaboration. Challenges related to the creation of an intra-sectoral framework at UNESCO Headquarters, Field Offices and United Nations Agencies.

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		Building.	of Haiti; 185 EX/6 Part III; 186 EX/6 Part III	
	36	Creation of an Internet and Intranet website for the follow-up of the Second Cycle of the Periodic Reporting Exercise. The objective of the website is to provide a discussion and exchange platform among the members of the Thematic Groups (focal points and site managers) and other members of the World Heritage community (National authorities, Category 2 Centres for the Region, Advisory Bodies and WHC). It will also include a repository of documents and information of past, ongoing and future meetings. The videos of previous meetings will be included as a training tool.	28 COM 16 WHC-04/7 EXT.COM 5E 29 COM 5 31COM11D.1 Para 7.	50% of the website is completed and 100 % thematic working groups including all the members have been included. The website will be functional in March 2011.
	37	Information meetings on the follow-up, ongoing processes and achievements of the Sub-Regional meetings held in the framework of the official launching of the Second Cycle of the Periodic Reporting Exercise were held with the Permanent Delegations of the Region after each Sub-Regional meeting.	28 COM 16 WHC-04/7 EXT.COM 5E 29 COM 5 31COM11D.1	Two meetings were organised and had the participation of all the Permanent Delegations from each Sub-Region (Mexico, Central America and South America). A third meeting will be organized after the one in Barbados (April 2011). The Delegates welcomed the idea of having the information meetings to allow for a better follow-up and understanding of the Periodic Reporting Exercise.

5C. Activities to increase awareness and reinforce involvement of local Communities				
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GLOBAL	1	At the request of the Government of Japan, a comprehensive project proposal on "Capacity-Building to Support the Conservation of World Heritage Sites and Enhance Sustainable Development of Local Communities in Small Island Developing States" was prepared. It was approved at the Japanese Funds-in-Trust review meeting in March 2011.	Small Island Developing States (SIDS) programme	
	2	Within the framework of the UN International Year for the Rapprochement of Cultures in 2010 the International Seminar on the Role of Religious Communities in the Management of World Heritage Properties, was held in Kyiv, Ukraine, from 2 to 5 November 2010 (report available at http://whc.unesco.org/en/activities). Due to the protection and management challenges that properties associated with religions and beliefs pose and taking into account all activities undertaken by the Advisory Bodies, the participants recognized that it is particularly crucial at this moment to define an Integrated Strategy for the Development of a Thematic Programme on Religious and Sacred Heritage.	UN Year for the Rapprochement of Cultures Circular Letter to all States Parties	The <i>Kyiv Statement on protection of religious properties within the framework of the World Heritage Convention</i> was unanimously adopted by the participants. The Final Report of the Kyiv Seminar is available online: http://whc.unesco.org/en/religious-sacred-heritage/ The State Party of Ukraine requested the possible creation of an International Scientific Committee for Religious and Sacred Heritage for the purpose of advising on special questions of protection of properties and landscapes associated with religions and beliefs. WHC and the Advisory Bodies propose to support the development of a <i>Thematic Programme on Religious and Sacred Heritage</i> , as well as the organization of a preparatory meeting to study the feasibility for setting up such a Scientific Committee, as a mean to define and establish a platform for dialogue, mutual understanding and knowledge among all communities.
	3	The World Heritage Cities Organisation		Project implemented in partnership with the Getty

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		(WHCO) project entitled "Historic Cities in Development: Keys for Understanding and Action" consisting in case studies on the conservation and management of historic cities.		Conservation Institute (GCI), ICOMOS, the Council of Europe and the Centre in the framework of the France-UNESCO Cooperation Agreement and the Netherlands Funds-in-Trust. This bottom up project aims to support OWHC initiative and enhance the cities network while collecting data focusing on urban heritage management and also ambitions to build city-to-city partnerships. About 40 contributions have been collected and data sheets developed based on city management questionnaires. Presentation at the 11 th WHCO World Congress, Sintra, Portugal, in November 2011 is envisaged.
AFRICA	4	Island of Mozambique: Development of management plan (co-funded by the World Heritage Fund, Africa 2009, African World Heritage Fund and Flanders Funds-in-Trust)	31 COM 7B.48 32 COM 7B.51 33 COM 7B.46	Management plan for the Island of Mozambique: 3 stakeholder workshops took place, respectively on 9 June, 4-7 August and 17 November 2009; the document adoption by the State Party is still pending.
	5	Old Towns of Djenné (Mali): Rehabilitation of the Youth House	Implementation of the World Heritage Earthen Architecture Programme (WHEAP)	In the framework of the Conservation project for Africa (see under 2C), the rehabilitation of the community centre of the Youth House (1) involves local masons and artisans in the works, (2) improves the space provided for community activities including kinder garden, physical education and cultural activities and events, (3) demonstrates in a show case the advantages and potential of earthen architecture especially in terms of modern living comfort to upgrade its image.
ASIA PACIFIC	6	Within the framework of the World Heritage Pacific 2009 Programme, the second thematic study "Early Human Expansion and		This study was dispatched to the Pacific States Parties and the Advisory Bodies. It should be used as a tool to identify potential new sites within the

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		Innovation in the Pacific” was carried out in December 2010 with support from the World Heritage Fund. The theme of the study was decided after consultation with the stakeholders of the Port Vila workshop (Vanuatu, 2005).		Pacific community.
	7	Indian Heritage Cities Network	Resolution 15 GA 7	Project implemented by UNESCO New-Delhi Office in partnership with WHC within the framework of the France-UNESCO Cooperation Agreement. Capacity-building of local authorities in line with the decentralization process being pursued by Indian Cities network while integrating heritage conservation as part of urban development strategies, this network aims to develop city to city partnerships and international exchange. A 2nd study tour of Indian local Representatives to France was organized in fall 2010 and two return technical missions of French local Representatives to India in December 2010-January 2011. This initiative promotes the linkages between culture and development, showing how heritage is a key asset for socio economic development, generating growth, enhancing the quality of life and fostering strong social links. It also relates to the approach of the future Recommendation on Historic Urban Landscape to be submitted for adoption to UNESCO General Conference in 2011. Signature of a city to city partnership between Pondichery (India) and La Rochelle (France) is pending.
LATIN	8	The UN Foundation – The Nature		Development of “Life Plans” by the Pemon people.

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AMERICA and THE CARIBBEAN		Conservancy (TNC) – World Heritage Centre (UNF – TNC – WHC) project entitled “Promoting Conservation through Sustainable Local Tourism Development at World Heritage Sites: Demand-Driven Assessments and Engaging the Private Sector” focused on working with the Indigenous Federation from the State of Bolivar to negotiate with the Government to include the community in the co-management of Canaima Camp (Panama), traditionally administered by private Hoturvensa Group.		The plans developed in this project have focused on the desired outcomes of tourism development in their territories from a community perspective. The expected result of these “Life Plans” is to involve community members in tourism within the National Park. Also, a study on tourism potential in the buffer zone with a community-based perspective was developed. A specific study is being carried out in three indigenous communities, which has defined strategies to improve services and products regarding operational and organizational, as well as environmental aspects.

III. Draft Decision

Draft Decision: 35 COM 5A

The World Heritage Committee,

1. *Having examined Documents WHC-11/35.COM/5A and WHC-11/35.COM/INF.5A,*
2. *Recalling Decision **34 COM 5A** adopted at its 34th session (Brasilia, 2010),*
3. *Takes note with appreciation of the results of the activities undertaken by the World Heritage Centre over the past year in pursuit of its five Strategic Objectives;*
4. *Takes note also of the findings of the follow-up to the Audit undertaken by UNESCO's External Auditors on the World Heritage Centre presented in Document WHC-11/35.COM/5C;*
5. *Endorses the recommendations of the International Seminar on the Role of Religious Communities in the Management of World Heritage Properties, as well as the Kyiv Statement on protection of Religious Properties within the framework of the World Heritage Convention and strongly supports the development of a Thematic Programme on Religious and Sacred Heritage, inviting States Parties to provide voluntary contributions for the implementation of this initiative, including the organization of a preparatory meeting to study the feasibility for setting up an International Scientific Committee on Religious and Sacred Heritage and requests the World Heritage Centre to present a report on this initiative in conformity with its Decision **34 COM 5F.1** at the 36th session of the World Heritage Committee in 2012.*

Annex 1

Follow-up on the decisions adopted by the World Heritage Committee at its 34th session (Brasilia, 2010)

DECISIONS AND ITEM	IMPLEMENTED	ON-GOING	DELAYED
34 COM 2A. Amendment of Rule 8 of the Rules of Procedures	✓		
34 COM 2B. Requests for Observer status	✓		
34 COM 3A. Provisional Agenda of the 34th session of the World Heritage Committee (Brasilia, 2010)	✓		
34 COM 3B. Provisional Timetable of the 34th session of the World Heritage Committee (Brasilia, 2010)	✓		
34 COM 5A. Report of the World Heritage Centre on its activities and the implementation of the World Heritage Committee's decisions	✓		
34 COM 5B. Reports of the Advisory Bodies	✓		
34 COM 5C. Roles of the World Heritage Centre and the Advisory Bodies	✓		
34 COM 5D. World Heritage Convention and sustainable development		✓	
34 COM 5E. The World Heritage Convention and the other UNESCO Conventions in the field of culture	✓	See Document WHC-11/35.COM/5A	
34 COM 5F.1. Report on the World Heritage Thematic Programmes		For 36 COM	
34 COM 5F.2. World Heritage Tourism Programme		See Document WHC-11/35.COM/5F	
34 COM 5G. Audit of the World Heritage Centre by the External Auditors		See Document WHC-11/35.COM/5C	
34 COM 6: Progress Report on the African World Heritage Fund		See Document WHC-11/35.COM/6	
34 COM 7.1: Historic Urban Landscape		See Document WHC-11/35.COM/INF.13B	
34 COM 7.2: Report on the Reinforced Monitoring Mechanism		See Document WHC-11/35.COM/7.2	
34 COM 7.3: Progress report on the implementation of the Strategy for Disaster Risk Reduction at World Heritage properties		For 36 COM	

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34 COM 7C: Reflection on the trends of the state of conservation	✓		
34 COM 8A. Tentative Lists submitted by States Parties as of 15 April 2010, in conformity with the Operational Guidelines	✓		
34 COM 8D. Clarifications of property boundaries and areas by States Parties in response to the Retrospective Inventory	✓		
34 COM 8E. Adoption of retrospective Statements of Outstanding Universal Value	✓		
34 COM 9A. Terms of reference of the Evaluation of the Global Strategy and PACT as requested by Resolution 17 GA 9	✓	See Document WHC-11/35.COM/9A	
34 COM 9B. Report on serial nominations and properties	✓		
34 COM 9C. Progress report on Global Training Strategy (including Category 2 Centres)		✓	
34 COM 10A. Report on the Second Cycle of Periodic Reporting in the Arab States	✓		
34 COM 10B.1. Progress report on Periodic Reporting in Africa	✓		
34 COM 10B.2. Progress report on Periodic Reporting in Latin America and the Caribbean		✓	
34 COM 10B.3. Progress report on Periodic Reporting in Europe and North America		✓	
34 COM 10C. Progress Report on the first cycle of the Periodic Reporting and launching of the second cycle of the Periodic Reporting in Asia and the Pacific		✓	
34 COM 10D. Final report on the implementation of the Africa 2009 Programme		See document WHC-11/35.COM/INF.7C	
34 COM 11: Protection of the Palestinian cultural and natural heritage	✓		
34 COM 12: Reflection on the Future of the World Heritage Convention:	✓	See Documents WHC-11/35.COM/12A WHC-11/35.COM/12B WHC-11/35.COM/12C WHC-11/35.COM/12D	
34 COM 13: Revision of the Operational Guidelines		See document WHC-11/35.COM/13	

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34 COM 14: Feasibility Study on the working methods of the Committee – Possibility of holding two annual sessions of the World Heritage Committee	✓	See Document WHC-11/35.COM/12A	
34 COM 15.1: Examination of International Assistance requests (Chile)	✓		
34 COM 15.2: Examination of International Assistance requests (Madagascar)	✓		
34 COM 16: Presentation of the final accounts of the World Heritage Fund for 2008-2009, the interim financial statement and the state of implementation of the 2010-11 budget covering 01 January to 31 May 2010.	✓		
34 COM 18: Election of the Bureau of the 35th session of the World Heritage Committee (June 2011)	✓		
34 COM 19: Provisional Agenda of the 35th session of the World Heritage Committee	✓		
All decisions were approved by the Rapporteur and made available online on the World Heritage Centre's webpage on 07/09/2010.			