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Item 25 of the Provisional Agenda: Requests for International Assistance

Background: In accordance with paragraphs 94-121 of the *Operational Guidelines for the Implementation of the World Heritage Convention*, the Bureau and the Committee examine and take decisions concerning requests for international assistance.

21 requests for international assistance received by the Secretariat between the 26th session of the Bureau and 16 June 2002 for funding under the year 2002 and 2003 budget are included in this document. All request titles, amounts requested and recommended for approval by the Committee, Bureau, and Chairperson according to assistance type are presented within a **Synthesis Table** (within this document) to facilitate the appropriate allocation of funds. **9** requests (Part II) are for the decision of the Committee, **6** requests (Part I) are for the decision by the Bureau, and **6** requests (Part III) are for the decision by the Chairperson. Provided the Committee adjusts the budget for 2002 during the discussions under Provisional Agenda Item 24 (see Document WHC-02/CONF.202/21), the Bureau and the Committee may wish to take the following actions.

Action by the Bureau: The Bureau examines all requests for decision by the Bureau and the Committee presented in **Part I** and **II** of this document, and;

- take decisions concerning requests above US\$ 20,000 and up to US\$ 30,000 for preparatory assistance, technical co-operation, and training;
- take decisions concerning requests for emergency assistance between US\$ 50,000 and US\$ 75,000;
- make recommendations to the Committee for requests above US\$ 30,000 for technical co-operation and training.

Action by the Committee: The Committee examines requests presented in **Part II** of this document and takes decisions concerning requests recommended by the Bureau for approval.

Detailed documentation of all requests will be available for consultation by the Bureau and the Committee upon request to the Secretariat.

Synthesis Table of International Assistance Requests received for possible funding in 2002 and 2003

Page Number if included within this Document	Type of Heritage	Region	Requesting State Party	Status of dues to WH Fund	Activity Title	Amount (US \$)		Decision making authority and budget year			
						Requested	Recommended	Bureau	Committee	Chair	
PREPARATORY ASSISTANCE											
6	Cultural	Africa	Niger	All dues paid	Preparation of the nomination file for the city of Agadez	36,300	30,000	X	2003		
38	Mixed	Africa	Rwanda	All dues paid	Organisation of a seminar for the preparation of a Tentative List of potential World Heritage properties in Rwanda	20,000	20,000				X 2002
8	Cultural	Arab States	Bahreïn	All dues paid	Preparatory Assistance for Qal'at al-Bahrain site	30,000	26,500	X	2003		
10	Cultural	Asia	Turkmenistan	US\$ 218 due for 2001 and 2002	Preparation of the nomination dossier of Kunya Urgench	30,000	30,000 subject to payment of dues	X	2003		
39	Cultural	Europe & North America	Azerbaijan	All dues paid	Preparation of the nomination dossiers for Gobustan Reserve, Nakhchivan Mausoleums and Fire Worshippers' Temple in Surakhani, Tentative List sites	16,950	16,950				X 2003
SUB-TOTAL: PREPARATORY ASSISTANCE						133,250	123,450	3			2

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TECHNICAL-CO-OPERATION										
18	Cultural	Africa	Cap Verde	US\$ 1,602 due since 1994	National programme for Culture and Heritage	35,000	35,000 subject to payment of dues		X 2003	
12	Natural	Africa	Guinea	All dues paid	Mount Nimba Biodiversity Conservation project	30,000	30,000	X 2003		
20	Cultural	Arab States	Algeria	US\$ 2,574 due for 2001 and 2002	Realisation of preliminary management plan for the M'Zab Valley	12,474	35,000 subject to payment of dues		X 2003	
40	Cultural	Europe & North America	Bulgaria	US\$ 463 due for 2002	International meeting "The management of Archaeological Heritage, with special reference to the World Heritage Convention : the case of Eastern Europe"	20,000	20,000			X 2003
42	Cultural	Europe & North America	Ukraine	All dues paid	Monitoring of the Bell Tower deformations of St. Sofia Cathedral in Kyiv	19,900	19,900			X 2003
22	Natural	Latin America	Colombia	All dues paid	Management plan preparation for Los Katios National Park	43,000	pending further information		X 2003	
SUB-TOTAL: TECHNICAL CO-OPERATION						160,374	139,900	1	3	2

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TRAINING										
24	Mixed	Africa	South Africa	All dues paid	Workshop "African Heritage and Sustainable Development"	59,070	59,070		X	2002
26	Cultural	Arab States	Algeria	US\$ 2,574 due for 2001 and 2002	Creation of a training centre at the Kasbah d'Algiers	80,000	50,000		X	2003
28	Cultural	Asia - Pacific	Afghanistan	US\$ 3,839 due for 2001 and 2002	Training for national and local authorities in the implementation of the World Heritage Convention in Afghanistan, particularly focussing on the elaboration of Tentative Lists and the formulation of nomination dossiers of potential World Heritage properties	42,860	42,860		X	2002
30	Cultural	Asia - Pacific	China	All dues paid	Virtual Congress on World Heritage Management for Asia and the Pacific-Architecture for sustainable World Heritage Tourism	32,300	12,300		X	2002
33	Cultural	Asia - Pacific	Turkmenistan	US\$ 218 due for 2001 and 2002	Reinforcement of the capacities of the Department for Protection and Restoration of Monuments, Turkmenistan, to conserve the World Heritage site of Ancient Merv	68,814	38,814		X	2003
35	Cultural	Asia - Pacific	Uzbekistan	US\$ 36,643 due since 2000	Restoration of the medersa "Rachid" at Bukhara World Heritage site and creation of an international training centre for the conservation of architectural heritage - CAREBUK	53,960	53,960		X	2003
SUB-TOTAL: TRAINING						337,004	257,004		6	

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EMERGENCY ASSISTANCE										
14	Cultural	Asia - Pacific	Lao PDR	US\$ 54 due for 2001 and 2002	Plain of Jars Heritage Tentative List site in Lao PDR	60,000	60,000	X 2003		
16	Cultural	Europe & North America	Georgia	All dues paid	Elaboration of an Emergency Rehabilitation Plan for Tibilisi Historic District following the earthquake of 25 April 2002	75,000	50,000 in 2002 and 25,000 in 2003	X 2002 and 2003		
43	Cultural	Latin America & Caribbean	Chile	All dues paid	Churches of Chiloé	50,000	50,000			X 2002
44	Cultural	Latin America & Caribbean	Peru	All dues paid	Archaeological site of Chavín	26,800	26,800			X 2002
SUB-TOTAL: EMERGENCY						211,800	211,800	2		2

PART I
INTERNATIONAL ASSISTANCE REQUESTS
FOR APPROVAL BY THE BUREAU

FOR DECISION BY THE BUREAU
Request Number 1 Preparatory Assistance

Type of heritage: CULTURAL **Region:** AFRICA **State Party:** NIGER

Status of dues to the World Heritage Fund: All dues paid

Title of Activity: Preparation of the nomination file of the City of Agadez

Previous contributions from the World Heritage Fund for this site: FF 50,000 (US\$ 6,700) made available through the France - UNESCO Convention in 2001 for undertaking a preliminary survey of Agadez.

Background: This request follows the recommendations of a Global Strategy Meeting held in Niamey, Niger (September 1999) and also a working strategy of the regional programme "Africa 2009" which acknowledges the importance of the preparation of a nomination dossier for the city of Agadez. A preliminary survey of the city has been undertaken by CRATerre-EAG within the framework of France - UNESCO Convention. An agreement for financial support has been concluded between Niger's Department of Heritage and National Museums and the Government of France for the restoration of the Mosque and the Palace of the Sultan, monuments within the city of Agadez.

Objectives:

1. Elaborate administrative mechanisms and management tools for the conservation of the city of Agadez;
2. Establishment of adequate legislation, urban planning regulations and core and buffer zones of the site;
3. Finalise a complete nomination dossier for the city of Agadez for inscription on the World Heritage List.

Project plan:

1. July-December 2002: Preparation of the work plan of the activities and finalization of previous studies;
2. January 2003: Commence the activity, including an international expert mission to Niger in co-operation with the French Embassy in Niger and undertake consultations with the concerned local authorities;
3. June 2003: Consultation between the authorities and general public concerned and compilation of the first report based on original mission findings;
4. September-October 2003: Consultation with the local and national authorities during a site mission;
5. November 2003: Compilation, harmonisation and analysis of the data collected;
6. December 2003: Finalization of a management plan;
7. January 2004: Presentation of the second report on the activities undertaken and of the draft version of the nomination dossier to various partners and beneficiaries;
8. January - February 2004: Finalisation and official adoption of the nomination dossier and submission to UNESCO before or on 1 February 2004.

Anticipated outputs: A complete nomination dossier and management plan for the city of Agadez

		US\$
Total activity budget:		42,500
Contribution from personnel of the Department of Heritage and Museums: (In kind)		8,000
Contribution from other national organizations (In kind): Urbanism services, services of the town hall of Agadez, Sultanate of Agadez, Department for Tourism, local NGOs		4,500
Amount requested from the Fund:		30,000
1. Three one-week missions by 3 national consultants		9,820
Domestic travel (RT Niamey –Agadez) 3 x 3 consultants x US\$ 400	3,600	
DSA in Agadez (25 days x US\$ 30 x 3 consultants)	2,250	
Fee (25 days x US\$ 45 per day x 3 consultants)	3,370	
Communication costs	200	
Miscellaneous costs (stationery, reporting, terminal fares)	400	
2. Three two-week missions of one international consultant		17,480
International travel (RT Europe/Niger): 3x US\$ 1200	3,600	
DSA in Niamey (10 days x US\$ 69)	690	
DSA in Agadez (40 days x US\$ 61)	2,440	
Honoraria (55 days x US\$ 190)	10,450	
Communication costs	200	

Miscellaneous costs (stationery, reporting)	100	
3.Equipment		2,700
Purchase of a lap-top computer	1,600	
Purchase of a portable printer	300	
Miscellaneous accessories	300	
Purchase of photographic equipment	500	

Comments of the Advisory Bodies: The original request was for US\$36,300 without a budget breakdown, which was transmitted to ICOMOS for evaluation. ICOMOS endorses the overall concept of the project. The project request is well formulated and logical in its sequence of actions. However, whilst ICOMOS is in principle supportive of this request, which has emerged from the Global Strategy meeting in Niamey in September 1999, it is difficult for ICOMOS to make a definitive recommendation without a more specific budget breakdown. The new budget breakdown for US\$30,000 was transmitted to ICOMOS on 13 June 2002.

Comments of the Secretariat: The World Heritage Centre supports this activity since Niger has no cultural site inscribed on the World Heritage List. This activity falls within the priorities identified within the Global Strategy for Africa, and the recommended activities following the Periodic Reporting Exercise for Africa.

Action by the Bureau: The Bureau may wish to approve an amount of US\$ 30,000 , for funding in 2003, provided ICOMOS approves the new budget breakdown.

FOR DECISION BY THE BUREAU
Request Number 2 Preparatory Assistance

Type of heritage: CULTURAL **Region:** ARAB STATES **State Party:** BAHRAIN

Status of dues to the World Heritage Fund: All dues paid

Title of Activity: Preparatory Assistance for Qal'at al-Bahrain Tentative List site

Previous contributions from the World Heritage Fund for this site: None

Background: Bahrain Fort is one of the most ancient monuments in Bahrain and is a priority site on the Tentative List of this State Party. To date, Bahrain has no World Heritage property. Restoring the Fort without losing its original characteristics has been a monumental task posing great architectural challenges.

Objectives:

1. To collect authentic qualitative and quantitative data about the excavation and restoration of the Bahrain Fort in order to complete and harmonise existing information
2. Identify the cultural heritage properties surrounding the Bahrain Fort to be nominated as the buffer zone monuments
3. Draft and submit the nomination dossier of the Bahrain Fort to UNESCO for inscription on the World Heritage List.

Project plan:

Phase I (3 weeks): The Ministry of Information will prepare, compile and harmonise archaeological and geographical data to re-examine the heritage values of the Bahrain Fort and its surrounding cultural heritage properties engaging external archaeologists, historians and geographers.

Phase II (1 week): Identification of core and buffer zones of the suggested archaeological sites and surrounding sites.

Phase III (2 weeks): Finalisation, official adoption and submission to UNESCO of the complete nomination dossier of Bahrain Fort.

Anticipated outputs: Finalisation and official submission to UNESCO of the complete nomination dossier of the Bahrain Fort.

		US\$
Total activity budget :		30,000
Contribution from national or other partners		none
Amount requested from the Fund:		30,000
• Three international experts (three weeks mission each)	15,000	
• Local experts assistance	5,000	
• Supporting services (Photographs, photocopies, computer)	5,000	
• Preparation of the Nomination File	5,000	

Comments of the Advisory Bodies: The Qal'at al Bahrain is recognized as being of great archaeological and historical importance and is a worthy candidate for World Heritage listing. It is, however, fairly well documented in archaeological literature and ICOMOS feels that there is not a strong case for three external experts, in the field of archaeology, history and geography respectively. Research and fieldwork in these three disciplines overlap substantially in such regions. It is proposed, moreover, that local expertise could be selected to complement the two experts that ICOMOS consider to be competent. ICOMOS recommends that the request be approved for a reduced amount of US\$ 25,000.

Comments of the Secretariat: The Secretariat agrees with ICOMOS's recommendation. It recommends the approval of the request for a reduced amount of US\$ 26,500 using the following budget breakdown:

1. Mission of two international experts:

Fee (US\$ 4,908 per month x 2)	US\$ 9,816
DSA for 21 days (US\$ 215 x 21 days x 2)	US\$ 9,030
International Travel (US\$ 900 x 2)	US\$ 1,800

2. National experts' services:

Fee (3 working weeks) US\$ 809 per week x 2 experts	US\$ 4,854
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3. Preparation of the nomination file :

Supporting services (maps, photographs, slides)	US\$ 500
Printing & Reproduction costs of the nomination dossier	US\$ 500

TOTAL: US\$ 26,500

Action by the Bureau: The Bureau may wish to approve this request for an amount of **US\$ 26,500** for this activity, for funding in 2003.

FOR DECISION BY THE BUREAU
Request Number 3 Preparatory Assistance

Type of heritage: CULTURAL **Region:** ASIA – PACIFIC **State Party:** TURKMENISTAN

Status of dues to the World Heritage Fund: US\$ 109 due for 2001 and US\$ 109 due for 2002

Title of Activity: Preparation of the nomination dossier of Kunya Urgench Tentative List site

Previous contributions from the World Heritage Fund for this site: None

Background: Kunya Urgench is composed of particularly fine buildings such as the Kutluk Timur Minaret (1011), the tallest minaret in Central Asia and the magnificent mausoleum of Tyurabek-khanym (1370). Fifteen other significant historical buildings remain in a 640 ha archaeological reserve of the former ancient city. In addition, remains of four forts lie within this site, the earliest dating from the 4th century BC.

Objectives: Preparation of a nomination dossier for Kunya Urgench for inscription on the World Heritage List.

Project plan: The activity is expected to commence in Autumn 2002 with a view to complete and submit the nomination dossier to UNESCO before or on 1 February 2004.

Phase Ia Months 1-6: Preliminary research and compilation of information, particularly focusing on exact geographical location and identification of core and buffer zones, statement of significance, conservation history, legal status and, also, identification of stakeholders at the national and local level, officials as well as individuals, to prepare the elaboration of a management plan.

Phase Ib Months 3-4: First mission by an international expert to assist national authorities in preparing a management plan, through the organisation of a stakeholders' meeting and in the initial drafting of the nomination dossier.

Phase II Months 7-12: Establishment of core and buffer zones and adequate protective legislation for the areas to be proposed as World Heritage. Finalization of the draft management plan.

Phase IIIa Months 11-12: Adoption of the management plan.

Phase IIIb Months 12-14: Second mission by international expert to assist the authorities in commencing the implementation of the management plan and in finalizing the nomination dossier.

Phase IV Months 14-18: Completion and submission of nomination dossier to the World Heritage Centre.

Anticipated outputs:

1. Submission of a complete nomination dossier
2. Implementation of the recommendations of the Central Asian Global Strategy Meeting (May 2000)
3. Implementation of the Central Asian Earth Programme (2002-2012)

		US\$
Total activity budget:		
Contribution from the Ministry of Culture, Government of Turkmenistan		In kind
National authority staff time and salary for the co-ordination of international expert missions, preparation of the nomination file (18 working months), communication, miscellaneous costs		
Amount requested from the Fund:		30,000
1. Two International Expert Missions		14,852
International travel (Round trip Europe-Turkmenistan) x 2	2,000	
Domestic travel (Round trip Ashgabad-Dashovz) x 2	200	
Car rental x 2	500	
DSA Ashgabad (US\$ 115 x 2 days) x 2	460	
DSA Kunya Urgench (US\$ 62 x 8 days) x 2	992	
Fee (including missions and reporting, lump sum for 4 weeks work, full/part time x 2)	8,500	
Communication, miscellaneous costs x 2	200	
Translator English-Russian (US\$ 100 x 10 days) x 2	2,000	
2. Support to the national authorities		15,148
National expert services to define core and buffer zone, undertake	5,000	

field work for the preparation of a management and conservation plan		
National expert services to prepare text, cartographic information, photographs, slides, bibliography, comparative study	5,000	
Translation (Russian-English)	1,000	
Reproduction of nomination dossier in 3 copies and transmission to the World Heritage Centre	2,000	
Communication, miscellaneous costs	2,148	

Comments of the Advisory Bodies: ICOMOS considers this project as difficult given the location of the site and the lack of experienced local personnel. It will involve the identification of the precise area to be nominated, survey and inventory, and the preparation of a nomination dossier as the initial component, but it is essential that adequate management plan should be drawn up, given official approval, and implemented before the eventual nomination is submitted for evaluation. The proposed timetable should allow adequate time for the evolution and application of the project. The services of an international expert are therefore essential. ICOMOS presumes that ICOMOS and ICCROM will be consulted in the selection of this expert, who will need to be chosen with considerable care. In the opinion of ICOMOS the budget is reasonable, although it may be necessary to review progress and consider potential supplementary funding before the World Heritage Committee in 2003.

Comments of the Secretariat: The World Heritage Centre supports this activity as Turkmenistan has only one site inscribed on the World Heritage List and the proposed activity will serve as an exemplary activity implementing the recommendations of the Central Asia Global Strategy Meeting (May 2000) and the Central Asian Earth Programme 2002-2012.

Action by the Bureau: The Bureau may wish to approve this request for **US\$ 30,000**, for funding in 2003, subject to the State Party paying its dues for 2001 and 2002.

FOR DECISION BY THE BUREAU
Request Number 4 Technical Co-operation

Type of heritage: NATURAL **Region:** AFRICA **State Party:** GUINEA

Status of dues to the World Heritage Fund: All dues paid

Title of Activity: Biodiversity Conservation project for the World Heritage Site in Danger, Mount Nimba

Previous contributions from the World Heritage Fund for this site:

Preparatory Assistance	1982 – 2000	US\$ 44,097	Technical support for Mount Nimba
Training Assistance	1981 - 1983	US\$ 90,561	Training for Mount Nimba
Technical Co-operation	1981 - 2001	US\$ 219,767	Technical co-operation for Mount Nimba
Emergency Assistance	1993	US\$ 30,000	Managing Programme for Mount Nimba
Promotional Assistance	2000	US\$ 10,000	Training and Awareness Raising Seminar for Mount Nimba
TOTAL		US\$ 394,425	

Background: Classified as World Heritage site in Danger since December 1992, the Mount Nimba Nature Reserve continues to face severe dangers. One of the major threats stems from the massive arrival of refugees who undertake agricultural activities within the World Heritage property, negatively impacting upon the site's integrity. The State Party is unable to prevent the degradation of the Mount Nimba Natural Reserve in an adequate manner and seeks international assistance to enhance protection of the unique biodiversity of the site. The activity "Mount Nimba Biodiversity Conservation through an integrated preparatory management", has been elaborated and proposed for funding to several potential donors. The project's preparatory phase for the formulation of the final project was financed by the GEF and confirmed the significant anthropic pressure and its dangers for the conservation of the site. Although this preparatory activity is almost complete, a minimum one-year delay is foreseen before the final approval of the project. The objective of this project is to assist the State Party in closely monitoring demographic pressures facing the site while awaiting the approval of the final project estimated to amount to US\$ 10 million for 10 years from GEF and US\$ 1.5 millions for 3 years from UNDP.

Objectives:

1. To limit the expansion of agricultural activities;
2. To raise awareness of the local community and involve them in rehabilitating and conserving the heritage areas;
3. Implement existing regulations to correct illegal encroachments and land use in a fair and humane manner, following provisions of the national and regional laws;
4. To train farmers on modern, high-yield food production outside of the protected areas;
5. To assess the fauna and flora of the degraded areas, especially where the habitat of the dwarf hippopotamus is located.

Project plan: The project will be implemented from the time funds are made available for a 7 month period, with a work plan as indicated below:

1. Recruitment of an international expert;
2. Meeting of the national authorities involved in the management of the World Heritage site and preparation of the field trip;
3. Preliminary work on the satellite images;
4. Field mission (35 days);
5. Recruitment of 6 national experts and one technical project co-ordinator;
6. Installation of the necessary equipment for the implementation of the project (meteorological and hydrological station networks, etc.).

Anticipated outputs:

1. Control of the demographic pressures on the World Heritage site and its buffer zone in anticipation of the GEF full-project;
2. Implementation of existing regulations to correct illegal encroachments and land use.

		US\$
Total activity budget:		33,200
Contribution from the State Party: in kind		3,200
1. Remuneration of permanent personnel		
2. Staff premises		
3. Vehicles		
Amount requested from the Fund:		30,000
1. Personnel		21,722
1.1 International expert		
Round trip Guinea- Conarky	1,000	
DSA in Cornarky (21 days x US\$ 66)	1,386	
DSA in Mt Nimba (30 days x US\$ 38)	1,140	
Fee (US\$ 3,499 per month x 2)	6,998	
1.2 National experts		
National co-ordinator (US\$500 per month x 7)	3,500	
6 Investigators/ technicians (US\$155 per month x 7)	6,510	
6 local forest guides (US\$ 33 per month x 6)	1,188	
2. Field missions		1,500
Nimba-Danané-Abidjan (car rental for international, national experts, technicians and guide)	1,500	
3. Equipment		2,500
Camping equipment	1,500	
2 GPS	1,000	
4. Miscellaneous		4,278
Fuel (liaison vehicles)	2,278	
Maintenance and repair	2,000	

Comments of the Secretariat: The World Heritage Centre supports this activity.

Comments of the Advisory Bodies: IUCN supports the request for assistance to this site which has remained on the List of World Heritage in Danger for 10 years now. While awaiting for the final approval of the GEF project, it is important to prevent further degradation of the natural heritage values and resources of the site. IUCN is pleased to see the emphasis on involving local people in the rehabilitation process and training in other forms of cultivation and employment.

Action by the Bureau: The Bureau may wish to approve this request for **US\$ 30,000**, for funding in 2003.

FOR DECISION BY THE BUREAU
Request Number 5 Emergency Assistance

Type of heritage: CULTURAL **Region:** ASIA-PACIFIC **State Party:** LAO PDR

Status of dues to the World Heritage Fund: US\$ 27 due for 2001 and US\$ 27 due for 2002

Title of Activity: Emergency Assistance for inventorying the Plain of Jars Tentative List site

Previous contributions from the World Heritage Fund for this site:

Preparatory Assistance	1999	US\$ 15,000	Preparation of the nomination dossier of The Plain of Jars-megalithic site
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Background: The Plain of Jars is the most important proto-historic (Iron Age) site in Southeast Asia and is on the Tentative List of Lao PDR. The site is currently benefiting from the Preparatory Assistance to map and prepare documentation for elaborating a nomination dossier. The work for documenting and mapping the site has drawn the attention of the local people to the importance of the Plain of Jars and the possibility that the site could contain valuable archaeological material. As a negative effect of this rise in awareness, illegal excavation and vandalism of jars has resulted, damaging the archaeological deposits and heritage values of the property. It is possible that some jars will be stolen in the near future if preventive measures are not taken.

Objectives: It is necessary to implement an emergency inventorying programme to safeguard the jars scattered throughout a large plateau. The only system which may result with positive and sustainable effects in the rural Laotian context is to establish local village patrol which will be responsible for the protection of the site. Under the on-going work to prepare the nomination dossier, each village has established a small "heritage protection cell" consisting of the headman and villagers interested in local history and its protection. Generally, the villagers believe that the Plain of Jars is an ancient cemetery of their ancestors. Therefore, although the site has not been used as a cemetery for centuries, there remains an awareness of the importance of the site and a general communal responsibility to protect the jars.

Anticipated outputs: The authorities of the Lao PDR and especially the Xieng Khuang provincial authorities are collecting and registering data for the preparation of the World Heritage nomination documentation. However, the preparation of the nomination dossier does not foresee the implementation of a full inventory of the jars. Therefore, this request aims to collect further and complete data and to establish a comprehensive inventory of the stone jars. This inventory will be used to disseminate information to the local community members to increase awareness of the heritage values of the property and the importance for its conservation.

		US\$
Total activity budget:		60,000
Contribution from national or other partners:		In kind
Amount requested from the Fund:		60,000
1. Three motorcycles for patrolling the large plateau to control illegal activity and to inventory each jar		15,000
2. Walkie-talkie radio system		10,000
3. Completion of GIS data base of artifacts		20,000
International Consultant (fees US\$4,000 per month x 3)	12,000	
Local costs (4 supporting staff x US\$2,000 per person)	8,000	
4. Digital camera for inventory		1,000
5. Computer equipment, including a scanner		4,000
6. Awareness-raising seminars for concerned villages		3,000
7. Mobile village surveillance (uniforms, training pamphlets)		2,000
8. Fencing		5,000

Comments of the Advisory Bodies: ICOMOS noted that while the sum requested is considerable, the problem is an acute one requiring urgent action and substantial resources. The financial and economic situation of the State Party is desperate and necessary action can only be organized with international funding. ICOMOS therefore expressed its full support for this request.

Comments of the Secretariat: The World Heritage Centre supports this request as the activity will enhance the conservation of a Tentative List property in one of the least developed countries still struggling with post-conflict reconstruction. Moreover, the nomination dossier of the Plain of Jars for inscription on the World Heritage List is under preparation and the protective measures, undertaken with this activity will assist the authorities in safeguarding the potential world heritage values of the site. The equipment requested should be purchased through the UNESCO Equipment Purchasing Unit.

Action by the Bureau: The Bureau may wish to approve **US\$ 60,000**, for funding in 2003.

FOR DECISION BY THE BUREAU
Request Number 6 Emergency Assistance

Type of heritage: CULTURAL **Region:** EUROPE **State Party:** GEORGIA

Status of dues to the World Heritage Fund: All dues paid

Title of Activity: Elaboration of an Emergency Rehabilitation Plan for Tbilisi Historic District following the earthquake of 25 April 2002

Previous contributions from the World Heritage Fund for this site:

Preparatory Assistance	1999	US\$ 10,000	Preparation of the nomination dossier for the Historical District of Tbilisi
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Background: The Bureau, at its 25th extraordinary session in December 2001, decided that the inscription of the Tbilisi Historic District be deferred, subject to the establishment of a legal framework, management structures, and guidelines for rehabilitation and restoration of the nominated area. On 25 April 2002, a major earthquake caused severe damage to the nominated property.

Objectives: This emergency assistance request is to finance a mission to the area to assess the damage caused by the earthquake and to draw up a restoration plan. In addition, the funds will be used to address the recommendations of the Bureau of the World Heritage Committee, to establish a legal framework, management structures, and guidelines for the long term rehabilitation and restoration of the nominated area.

Anticipated outputs:

1. Rehabilitation and restoration of the Historic District damaged by the April 2002 earthquake;
2. Implementation of the recommendations of the Bureau to supplement the nomination dossier for eventual inscription on the World Heritage List;

Total activity budget:	US\$ 75,000
Contribution from the Ministry of Culture, Government of Georgia	In kind
Amount requested from the Fund:	US \$ 75,000
Budget breakdown: not available at the time of the preparation of this document	

Comments of the Advisory Bodies: ICOMOS was informed on 10 May 2002 of the earthquake and that Georgia would be formally requesting emergency assistance.

Comments of the Secretariat: The World Heritage Centre supports this request subject to the receipt and approval of the budget breakdown.

Action by the Bureau: Subject to receipt and approval of a detailed budget by the Advisory Bodies, the Bureau may wish to approve this request for **US\$ 75,000** provided the Committee adjusts the budget for 2002-2003, allocating an initial US\$50,000 in 2002 and the second instalment of US\$25,000 in 2003.

PART II
INTERNATIONAL ASSISTANCE REQUESTS
FOR APPROVAL BY THE COMMITTEE

FOR DECISION BY THE COMMITTEE
Request Number 7 Technical Co-operation

Type of heritage: CULTURE **Region:** AFRICA **State Party:** CAP VERDE

Status of dues to the World Heritage Fund: US\$ 1,602 due since 1994

Title of Activity: National Programme for Culture and Heritage – Elaboration of an Inventory of Cap Verde's heritage properties

Previous contributions from the World Heritage Fund for this site: N/A

Background: Within the framework of the United Nations International Year for Cultural Heritage, the Cap Verde has decided to organise through its National Institute for Research and Promotion of Cultural Heritage, the preparation of an inventory of its cultural heritage. Through this activity, Cap Verde intends to combine poverty alleviation and development with conservation and sustainable utilisation of its cultural heritage.

This activity is foreseen to be co-financed by UNDP under the *Support Programme and Policy Development (SPPD)* which is expected to contribute US\$ 50,000 for activities related to poverty alleviation, development and intangible heritage.

Objectives:

1. To elaborate an inventory of the cultural heritage of Cap Verde and to identify potential World Heritage sites;
2. To identify and analyse problems which may limit the promotion of arts and culture as a mean to fight poverty;
3. To propose strategies for the implementation of existing National Programmes for the Preservation of Cultural Heritage of the Department of Culture;
4. To set up communication and exchange networks for the promotion of cultural heritage;
5. To promote and/or create socio-economic activities aimed to promote art, culture and popular traditions and their role in the development process;
6. To promote the conservation of tangible cultural heritage;

Project plan: (6 months)

- Months 1-2: Briefing meeting with the team in charge of implementing of the activity to establish a detailed work plan; Analysis of existing cultural heritage policy; Preparation of a standard inventory form;
- Months 2-4: On-site missions;
- Months 4-5: Compilation, analysis and harmonisation of the data collected; Review of the first implementation phase of the National Programme for the Preservation of Cultural Heritage during a pre-validation workshop;
- Months 5-6: Presentation of the second phase of the National Programme for the Preservation of Cultural Heritage to various partners and beneficiaries during a stakeholders' meeting;
- Month 6: Finalisation and official adoption of the final report on the inventorying activities and follow-up actions.

Anticipated outputs:

1. An exhaustive inventory of the cultural heritage of Cap Verde;
2. Identification of potential World Heritage properties;
3. Listing, technical identification and state of conservation of sites and monuments;
4. Re-adjustment of the institutional and juridical framework.

	US\$	
Total activity budget :	125,000	
Contribution from other partners (UNDP under SPPD programme) :	50,000	
Contribution from UNESCO (in kind): preliminary missions, preparation and negotiations with UNDP and national authorities	40,000	
Amount requested from the Fund:	35,000	
1. Mission expenses of 4 international experts		23,700
International travel (RT Europe/America-Cap Verde) US\$ 1,200 x 4	4,800	
DSA for 2 weeks US\$ 90 x 14 days x 4	5,040	

Fee for 2 weeks US\$ 2,215 x 4	8,860	
Domestic travel across over 40 islands (boat hire)	2,000	
Field survey (GPS, maps, development of photographs and slides)	3,000	
2. Fee for 2 national experts		6,000
One national expert in heritage management (US\$ 100 x 30 days)	3,000	
One national art historian (US\$ 100 x 30 days)	3,000	
3. Miscellaneous		5,300
Printing and distribution of the final report	2,000	
Purchase of equipment: computer, printer, stationary (to be co-financed with UNDP)	3,000	
Communication costs	300	

Comments of the Advisory Bodies: Although this request is solely for cultural heritage, and IUCN is not the Advisory Body on culture, IUCN recognises that African cultural heritage is clearly under-represented on the World Heritage List and therefore is in support of this initiative. However, the request as it stands is lacking in information on the duration of the programme and the timeframe for the completion of work. It is not clear from the list of participants mentioned within the budget, if the international experts that will be invited include staff from the World Heritage Centre and ICOMOS. This would be desirable for a short training component at the beginning of the work as well as the aspect on policy. It is suggested that these points be clarified by the State Party before presentation to the Committee.

ICCOMOS comments: The Secretariat comments that "Cap Verde has no site inscribed on the World Heritage List." This is, of course, correct, but ICOMOS recalls that a nomination by the State Party in 1992 was rejected by the Committee on the recommendation of ICOMOS. This was a badly formulated nomination, which might have been more successful had the State Party received preparatory assistance. At that time there were virtually no mechanisms in place for the protection, conservation, and management of the individual sites that made up the nomination.

The aspects of the present proposal relating specifically to potential World Heritage nominations concern the identification and inventoring of the cultural heritage and strategies for implementing a national preservation programme. It is suggested that the preparation of a Tentative List should be added to the objectives and expected outputs. The project is well conceived and, given the magnitude of the task, the funding requested is appropriate. Its current relevance is considerable in that it falls within the priorities stated within the Global Strategy for Africa. ICOMOS therefore fully supports this request.

Comments of the Secretariat: The World Heritage Centre supports this activity since Cap Verde has no site inscribed on the World Heritage List. This activity falls within the priorities stated in the Global Strategy for Africa, as well as in the Action Plan of the Periodic Reporting for Africa.

Action by the Committee: The Committee may wish to approve this request for US\$ 35,000 for funding in 2003, subject to the State Party paying its dues from 1994-2002.

FOR DECISION BY THE COMMITTEE
Request Number 8 Technical Co-operation

Type of heritage: CULTURAL **Region:** ARAB STATES **State Party:** ALGERIA

Status of dues to the World Heritage Fund: US\$ 15 due for 2001 and US\$ 2,559 due for 2002

Title of Activity: Elaboration of a Preliminary Plan of Conservation and Development of the M' Zab Valley.

Previous contributions from the World Heritage Fund for this site:

Technical Co-operation	2001	US\$ 25,000	Rehabilitation of the traditional hydraulic system in the M'Zab Valley and organisation of a training workshop.
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Background: Due to the economic, social and cultural development which has taken place during the last decades, as well as the demographic increase due to the industrial development of the region, the Ksour of the M'Zab Valley is at present under great pressure which is resulting in the degradation of the natural environment and the transformation of traditional urban habitat.

In the absence of any organized town planning, houses and building materials used today are non-compatible with traditional buildings. The traditional architectural fabric of the Ksour is also subject to significant degradation, often due to abandon, lack of regular maintenance, alterations, demolition and reconstruction with unsuitable material. In order to preserve the natural and architectural character which justified the inscription of the M'Zab Valley on the World Heritage List, specialized technical support is urgently required.

Objectives:

1. Define guidelines for the conservation and development of the site.
2. Elaborate the town-planning regulations to implement these guidelines.

Project plan:

1. Collect and analyse existing documents.
2. Identify and draft guidelines and regulations.

Anticipated outputs: Integrated conservation and development of the M'Zab Valley

		US\$
Total activity budget:		14,369
Contribution from national or other partners:		1,895
Technical and logistic assistance provided by the staff of the Office of Protection and Promotion of the M'Zab Valley, provision of existing cartographic and photographic documentation		
Amount requested from the Fund:		12,474
1. International expert		6,556
Fees: 3 weeks on site 3 x US\$ 1,133	3,399	
Travel	700	
Per diem 21 days x US\$ 117	2,457	
2. Reporting		3,266
Fees: 2 weeks for the Report x US\$ 1,133	2,266	
Cost of printing the Report	1,000	
3. Presentation		2,652
Fees: 1 week for presentation x US\$ 1,133	1,133	
Travel	700	
Per diem, 7 days x US\$ 117	819	

Comments of the Advisory Bodies: Although the global project is vast, the request is specific for the services of an expert to prepare guidelines which will enable the integration of cultural heritage conservation within the general development plan of the M'Zab Valley. ICOMOS supports the request, but in order to take into account any future rise in costs, it recommends that the contribution from the World Heritage Fund be increased to US\$ 35,000.

Comments of the Secretariat: The World Heritage Centre recommends the approval for an amount equal to US\$ 35,000 for the elaboration of a preliminary conservation and development plan for M'Zab Valley, following this budget breakdown:

1. Preparatory work of national experts	
Compilation of existing documents	US\$ 1,000
Elaboration of a database of documents	US\$ 2,000
Contribution to the national experts' fees	US\$ 4,000
2. Preparatory mission of an international expert	
International travel (RT Paris-Algiers)	US\$ 700
Fee (3 weeks x US\$ 1,133)	US\$ 3,399
DSA (21 days x US\$ 117)	US\$ 2,457
Domestic travel (Algiers, Ksour sites, M'Zab Valley)	US\$ 1,500
Communication, reproduction, photos etc	US\$ 700
Miscellaneous costs (visa)	US\$ 400
3. Elaboration of the project	
Fee (3 weeks x US\$ 1,133)	US\$ 3,399
Reproduction and translation costs	US\$ 1,400
Elaboration of a database by national experts	US\$ 4,000
4. Organisation of a training seminar for national personnel on cultural landscapes conservation	
International travel (RT Paris Alger)	US\$ 700
Fee (1 week x US\$ 1,133)	US\$ 1,133
DSA (7 days x US\$ 117)	US\$ 819
Compilation of documentation	US\$ 1,393
Participation costs for national personnel	US\$ 6,000
Total	US\$ 35,000

Action by the Committee: The Committee may wish to approve this request for **US\$ 35,000** for funding in 2003, subject to the State Party paying its dues for 2001 and 2002, requesting the World Heritage Centre to co-ordinate the implementation of the activity in close collaboration with the national authorities concerned,

FOR DECISION BY THE COMMITTEE
Request Number 9 Technical Co-operation

Type of heritage: NATURAL **Region:** LATIN AMERICA & THE CARIBBEAN **StateParty:** COLOMBIA

Status of dues to the World Heritage Fund: All dues paid

Title of Activity: Preparation of the Management Plan for Los Katios National Park

Previous contributions from the World Heritage Fund for this site: None

Background: Los Katios National Park extends over 72,000 ha in North-Western Colombia and is composed of hills, forests and humid plains. At present, the site has no management plan.

Objectives: Preparation of a management plan.

Project plan:

1. Train the Los Katios National Park personnel in elaborating a management plan;
2. Organise consultations between local communities and institutions to collect and exchange information in order to define appropriate approaches for the elaboration of the management plan for the Park;
3. Conduct an ecological evaluation of the Park;
4. 4.Develop appropriate infrastructure of the Park (signposts, paths);
5. Establish protective zones upon careful analysis of the heritage values of each zone;
6. Define priorities for the conservation of the Park for the coming 5 years.

Anticipated outputs:

1. A Management Plan for Los Katios Park;
2. Trained personnel for the management and administration of the World Heritage site;
3. Clarification on the shared responsibilities of the local community and institutions for planning and managing the area;
4. Evaluation of the state of conservation of the Park and establishment of ecological management zones;
5. Implementation of investigation methodologies in accordance with management needs;
6. Elaboration of proposals for financial sustainability;
7. Facilitation of the operational capacity of the Park;
8. Enhancement of pathways and signposts;
9. Identification of the priority conservation objectives.

The project is foreseen to be implemented over two years. A request for an additional US\$ 43,000 is foreseen to be submitted from the State Party in 2003 to complete the preparation of the management plan. During the first year, for which funding is currently being requested, emphasis will be laid on the exchange of information between ethnic groups, farmer communities, local institutions and NGO's. Information collection on the ecology of the Park and training of the staff in monitoring will also be an important part of the activities of the first year. During the second year, the staff will identify the ecological zones of the Park, define the methodology for monitoring, co-operate with other parks and analyse the information for completion of the management plan. The staff will also be trained in management and administration of a World Heritage site.

	US\$
Total activity budget:	120,000
Contribution from national or other partners:	77,000
Ministry of Environment (Colombian National Park System)	
Amount requested from the Fund:	43,000

1. Elaboration of World Heritage signs for the Park		2,609
2. Six workshops for exchange of experience, planning, discussion and analysis (institutional and communal) concerning the use and the management of territories, the conservation of the area and methodologies of work		16,086
3. Training in monitoring of biological diversity for the staff		8,969
4. Ecological evaluation of the Park		11,000
5. Interchange activities with Darien National Park on experiences in management and community participation		4,336

Comments of the Advisory Bodies: IUCN supports the request and recommends approval of this request, while noting the following:

- The expected outcome should be the Management Plan for this site. All the objectives noted in the request are key elements of the Management Plan.
- Considering the two years time period of the proposed technical assistance, IUCN recommends the approval for the first year (US\$ 43,000) and, based upon evaluation of a progress report on the implementation of this first phase, the second phase should be reviewed and approved in 2003 or later.

Comments of the Secretariat: The Secretariat supports the request as the elaboration and implementation of a management plan is a key element for successfully protecting this site. The State Party has been requested to submit a detailed budget for the activities to be carried out.

Action by the Committee: The Committee may wish to consider further details at the time of its 26 th session and take a decision.

FOR DECISION BY THE COMMITTEE
Request Number 10 Training Assistance

Type of heritage: MIXED **Region:** AFRICA **State Party:** SOUTH AFRICA

Status of dues to the World Heritage Fund: US\$ 14,725 due for 2002

Title of Activity: Organisation of the Regional Workshop "African Heritage and Sustainable Development"

Previous contributions from the World Heritage Fund for this site: None

Background: Africa's natural World Heritage sites include rich biodiversity areas of universal value. However, population growth and wasteful management practices jeopardise the ecological balance in which present life and that of the future generations depends. Privatisation of common lands within and around sites, encroachment, over-extraction of both fauna and flora and uncontrolled agricultural activities caused deterioration of World Heritage values and sites.

In order to address these issues, the Government of the Republic of South Africa and the UNESCO World Heritage Centre proposed to organize a Workshop on "African Heritage and Sustainable Development" to be held in South Africa in August 2002 as a contribution to UNESCO's initiative to the World Summit on Sustainable Development (WSSD). The workshop will also contribute to IUCN's Parks Congress to be held in Durban, South Africa during 2003, and will serve to commemorate the 30th Anniversary of the World Heritage Convention and the International Year (2002) of the Cultural Heritage.

Objectives: Through the submission of this request, the State Party wishes to organize the workshop with the following objectives:

1. To facilitate African policy and decision-makers at various levels to enhance dialogue and co-ordination for the management of World Heritage sites;
2. To enable decision-makers to elaborate strategies for co-operation for the management of World Heritage- and trans-border biodiversity sites;
3. To examine instruments and institutional mechanisms for the implementation of policies impacting upon World Heritage sites as well as their management;
4. To explore ways and means to funding of World Heritage sites;
5. To examine strategies for increasing regional capacities for policy-making benefiting the implementation of the World Heritage Convention and protection of World Heritage sites in Africa.

Issues to be discussed:

1. To integrate issues of population pressures into development plans and to address needs such as land distribution, labour requirements, training, employment, technology adoption within the framework of policies for protected areas conservation and development.
2. Negative environmental impacts and long-term costs deriving from conflicting land use, uncontrolled development and agricultural activities;
3. Enhanced management of World Heritage sites through better co-ordination and communication between the decision-makers, individuals, social groups and other stakeholders.

Project Plan: The World Heritage Workshop will be attended by 32 policy makers and senior officials from African States Parties responsible for natural and cultural affairs, as well as by 3 consultants and 3 organizing members of the UNESCO World Heritage Centre. Regional organizations are also participating: Southern African Development Cooperation (SADC), East African Community (EAC), Economic Community for West African States (ECOWAS), African Timber Organization (ATO), Interstate Committee for Combating Drought and Desertification (CILSS), IGGAD, Niger River Basin Development Commission, Commission for Lake Chad Basin etc. The African Development Bank, the World Bank, the Nordic World Heritage Foundation, IUCN, WWF, ICOMOS and ICCROM will also be invited to assist at the workshop.

The workshop will be organized by the South African Department of the Environment and Tourism in co-operation with the UNESCO World Heritage Centre, the Nordic World Heritage Foundation, IUCN and ICOMOS. The workshop is expected to be co-funded by the World Heritage Fund, the UNESCO-Italian Funds-in-Trust and the Nordic World Heritage Foundation.

Timetable:

Day 1: opening and the presentation of technical papers,
 Day 2: continuation of presentations,
 Day 3: discussion, drafting and adoption of the recommendations and conclusions,
 Day 4: field excursion to a World Heritage site in South Africa.

Anticipated outputs:

1. Identification of problems hindering efficient conservation and protection of World Natural Heritage sites in Africa and their solutions;
2. A statement in support of World Heritage sites to be submitted to the World Summit on Sustainable Development (Johannesburg, South Africa, 26 August - 4 September 2002);
3. A position statement by African States Parties to the Durban Parks Congress;
4. Recommendations for follow-up actions to improve policy situations in Africa as affects the World Heritage Natural sites.

	US\$
Total activity budget:	99,070
Contributions from other partners and sources:	
UNESCO-Italian Funds-in-Trust: US\$ 20,000	40,000
Nordic World Heritage Foundation: US\$ 20,000	
Amount requested from the World Heritage Fund:	59,070
1. Personnel	
3 international experts (for 1 week each: fee, travel expenses, per diem, terminal airfares)	10,500
2. Sub-contract for workshop organisation:	
Sub contract with Department of Environment and Tourism (DEAT)	36,910
Rental conference hall, Purchase/hiring of necessary equipment, Secretarial services, Study excursion, Welcome reception, Honoraria for national resource persons)	22,350
DSA for 32 participants x US\$ 65/day x 7 days	14,560
3. Travel costs for participants:	44,800
Participants' international travel (Economy class): 32 x US\$ 1 200	38,400
Terminal airfares 32 x US\$ 120	3,840
<i>Unforeseen en-route stopover expenses to be reimbursed upon submission of travel records, other miscellaneous expenses</i>	2,560
4. Miscellaneous:	6,860
Publication of the final report	2,000
Sundry expenditures (such as communication, fax, telephone, etc.)	4,860

Comments of the Secretariat: The World Heritage Centre supports this activity. However, as some information concerning the budget is missing, the State Party has been requested for further details.

Comments of the Advisory Bodies: ICOMOS supports this request. IUCN supports this request as it considered the activity to be a timely and important event considering the international focus on Africa and the need for greater support for improved management of African World Heritage sites. IUCN would like to be closely involved in the workshop and provide input to the programme content to ensure positive outcomes and clear links with the World Parks Congress (WPC). In particular, this workshop has obvious links with the WPC initiative for African Protected Areas. IUCN notes that there will be many meetings around the time of the WSSD and will be important to identify and invite key people early if this event is to have an effective and positive impact.

ICCROM was requested to evaluate the request on 17 June 2002.

Action by the Committee: The Committee may wish to approve this request for an amount of **US\$ 59,070** for funding in 2002, allocating US\$ 20,000 from Technical Co-operation reserved for Natural heritage and US\$ 39,070 from Training for 2002, subject to the Committee adjusting the 2002-2003 budget, and provided a detailed budget breakdown is submitted by the State Party and approved by the IUCN, ICOMOS and ICCROM.

FOR DECISION BY THE COMMITTEE
Request Number 11 Training Assistance

Type of heritage: CULTURAL **Region:** ARAB STATES **State Party:** ALGERIA

Status of dues to the World Heritage Fund: US\$ 15 due for 2001 and US\$ 2,559 due for 2002

Title of Activity: Creation of a training centre at the Kasbah of Algiers

Previous contributions from the World Heritage Fund for this site:

Preparatory Assistance	1992	US\$ 10,000	Kasbah Conservation plan
Training Assistance	1996	US\$ 8,700	Kasbah Training of architects
Technical Co-operation	1996	US\$ 18,900	Kasbah d'Algiers

Background: The Kasbah of Algiers is a traditional Medina-style urban architectural area, occupying a central space of the city of Algiers, with over 54 ha with over 900 buildings inhabited by 58,000 people. The city was founded in the 10th century on the ruins of an old Roman settlement, built on a Phoenician settlement. Today, a conservation policy is being implemented and rehabilitation works are taking place. Although fifteen buildings are being renovated now, the site remains endangered. A World Heritage Centre mission in September 2001 confirmed the continuation of the degradation process of the historic urban fabric, which has been continuously increasing for the past twenty years in particular. Renovation and rehabilitation works of certain buildings pose great difficulties, to both home owners as well as the concerned local technical staff.

Objectives: Creation of a training centre for increasing the capacity of local authorities for rehabilitating historic buildings using appropriate techniques and for revitalising traditional craftsmanship for traditional buildings.

Project Plan: The resource persons will be both national and international experts. The programme (6-18 months) aims to train approximately 60 young architects, archaeologists, technicians, engineers, trainers in the following disciplines:

- (i) restoration techniques
- (ii) management
- (iii) administration

Anticipated outputs: Restoration and rehabilitation of the Kasbah of Algiers, and establishment of a training centre, and increase in the local capacity for conservation and management of the site.

	US\$
Total activity budget:	2,624,869
Contribution from national agency or others:	
First year	1,741,226
Following years	803,643
Amount requested from the World Heritage Fund:	80,000

Comments of the Advisory Bodies:

ICOMOS: Although, the project has sound objectives, the budget breakdown is missing. The requested contribution of US\$ 80,000 from the Convention needs to be analysed in comparison with the global costs.

ICCROM strongly supports the concept of this international assistance request. The Convention specifically mentions the need to bring the heritage into the life of the community. ICCROM feels that this type of project, which is aimed at training youth in traditional and modern conservation techniques, makes sense from the conservation, development and community participation points of view.

ICCROM does, however, have reservations which it feels necessary to voice as to the consideration of this request. ICCROM is aware of a number of similar projects that have been implemented in other countries around the world. While successful at the time of initially training the young craftsmen, these projects often fail in the long term for various reasons. Problems can be caused due to a number of reasons:

- the government agency that educates the trainees cannot afford to give them jobs due the lack of funds;
- the trainees are not able to find jobs with established construction businesses, which do not value the conservation skills that they have;

- the trainees do find jobs but often do not use the conservation skills they learn (instead they work on new constructions)
- the trainees set up their own small construction business, but fail due to a lack of business skills or an inability to break into the market.

As can be seen, the reasons for failure can be diverse. The key element to avoiding these pitfalls is to ensure that there is a planned system of long-term follow-up by the agency responsible for training. This should include job placement, the teaching of business skills, periodic contacts to check for problems, and any necessary follow-up trainings to continue to enhance the skills learned.

As regards the budget, ICCROM notes that the original submission was for US\$ 80,000 and there was no breakdown of costs. Subsequent information has been given to ICCROM by the Centre which has lowered the request to US\$ 50,000 specifically related to the training exercise. The state party is contributing in excess of US\$ 2 million for the actual conservation/restoration works to be carried out. With regard to the presented budget, ICCROM feels that the percentage of the request going to consultant fees (approximately 50%) is quite high and would ask the Centre to investigate ways to reduce the amount. ICCROM would also like clarification on the "permanent experts". Presumably they come from Algiers if they are permanent and would need neither per diem nor return air fare. Again, ICCROM would ask the Centre to investigate.

In conclusion, assuming a satisfactory resolution to the budget issues mentioned above, ICCROM would support this request for training assistance. ICCROM would strongly urge the Committee, however, to recommend to the State Party to develop a policy of adequate long-term follow-up for the participants of the training, to ensure lasting and sustainable results.

Comments of the Secretariat: The World Heritage Centre recommends the approval of this activity for an amount of US\$ 50,000 following this budget breakdown:

Phase I	US\$ 20,000
1. Preparatory mission	
DSA for 2 experts (2 x 10 days x US\$ 117)	US\$ 2,340
Transport costs	US\$ 900
Fee (2 experts for 2 weeks)	US\$ 4,532
Miscellaneous costs (visa, terminal fares)	US\$ 400
Contribution to the fee of the local team	US\$ 3,000
(elaboration of the documentation etc according to a programme of the international experts)	
2. Preparation of the teaching material by international experts	
Compilation of textbooks and preparation of pedagogic support	US\$ 3,000
Translation into Arabic	US\$ 896
Formatting and editing of 60 bilingual textbooks (French-Arabic)	US\$ 400
Fee (2 experts for 2 weeks)	US\$ 4,532
Phase II	US\$ 30,000
1. Preparatory work for the opening of the training centre (by local experts)	
Contribution to the purchase of raw material	US\$ 1,786
Contribution to the salary of the national experts	US\$ 2,000
2. Theoretical and technical course at the training centre	
DSA for 2 permanent international experts (42 days)	US\$ 4,914
DSA of international consultants (14 days)	US\$ 1,638
Round trip for permanent experts	US\$ 900
Round trip for consultants	US\$ 900
Fee for 2 permanent experts (6 weeks x US\$ 1,133 x 2)	US\$ 13,596
Fee for international consultant (2 weeks x US\$ 1,133)	US\$ 2,266
3. Creation of a lifelong learning centre	
Elaboration of the training programme and participation at the opening of the centre	US\$ 2,000
Total Phase I and II	US\$ 50,000

Action by the Committee: The Committee may wish to approve this request for an amount of **US\$ 50,000**, for funding in 2003, provided that the State Party clarifies the points raised by ICCROM.

FOR DECISION BY THE COMMITTEE
Request Number 12 Training Assistance

Type of heritage: CULTURAL **Region:** ASIA – PACIFIC **State Party:** AFGHANISTAN

Status of dues to the World Heritage Fund: US\$ 3,594 due for 2001 and US\$ 245 due for 2002

Title of Activity: Training for national and local authorities in the implementation of the World Heritage Convention in Afghanistan, particularly focussing on the elaboration of Tentative Lists and the formulation of nomination dossiers of potential World Heritage properties

Previous contributions from the World Heritage Fund

Emergency Assistance	2001	US\$ 49,000	Reactivation of the World Heritage Convention in Afghanistan
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Background: Afghanistan became State Party to the World Heritage Convention in 1979, but due to civil conflict, the implementation of the Convention has been extremely difficult for the past two decades. The establishment of the Interim Administration of Afghanistan in late 2001 has renewed possibilities for the reactivation of the World Heritage Convention. However, international assistance for orienting the administration officers, policy makers and future site-managers of potential World Heritage properties in Afghanistan is required to increase the capacity at a national level.

To date, Afghanistan has not received any Preparatory or Training Assistance from the World Heritage Fund for capacity building, elaboration of Tentative Lists or for formulating nomination dossiers of potential World Heritage properties.

Afghanistan requests assistance for training national and local authorities in the implementation of the World Heritage Convention in Afghanistan, particularly focussing on the elaboration of Tentative Lists and the formulation of nomination dossiers of potential World Heritage properties. This activity is expected to be organized and implemented in Kabul between August 2002 and May 2003, in close co-operation with the UNESCO World Heritage Centre.

Objectives: The activity, which will include a training seminar, aims to increase the capacity of national administrators, policy makers, future World Heritage site-managers and conservation technicians in implementing the World Heritage Convention through:

- (a) better understanding of the Convention and its works;
- (b) the exercise of elaborating a Tentative List of potential World Heritage properties;
- (c) the exercise of elaborating draft nomination dossiers of potential World Heritage properties;

Project Plan: The target beneficiaries and participating agencies (approximately 15 training participants, excluding international experts) are the Ministry of Information and Culture, the Ministry of Environmental Protection, the National Commission for UNESCO, Kabul Museum and Representatives of the Provinces with potential World Heritage properties. The international resource persons expected to participate in the activity are experts from ICOMOS, IUCN, ICCROM and representatives of the UNESCO World Heritage Centre Asia-Pacific Region & Special Projects for Historic Cities Unit. The activity will be implemented by Afghan authorities in close co-operation with the UNESCO World Heritage Centre, UNESCO Kabul Office, and UNESCO Islamabad Office following the time schedule of below

August - November 2002: Commence the organization of the national workshop with the assistance of UNESCO and the non-governmental organisations which co-operate with the World Heritage Committee as Advisory Bodies (IUCN, ICOMOS and ICCROM). Prepare basic working documents of the World Heritage Convention in the local language for the training activity. One preparatory mission of an international expert is foreseen.

November 2002 - January 2003: Implementation of a 10-day workshop in Kabul discussing:

- a. The implementation of the World Heritage Convention - its aims, the world heritage conservation process and links to development
- b. Natural World Heritage and potential Afghan Natural World Heritage properties
- c. Cultural World Heritage and potential Afghan Cultural World Heritage properties
- d. The importance of national inventories and the process of elaborating Tentative Lists
- e. The nomination process of potential World Heritage properties

- f. National priorities for enhancing the implementation at regional , national and site level
- g. Conservation challenges in Afghanistan
- h. Effective World Heritage conservation through planned monitoring and intervention
- i. Useful and practical tools for heritage conservation, monitoring and management
- j. Development and use of appropriate indicators for measuring change of heritage values
- k. Discussion and application of the methodologies discussed for reformulating the deferred nomination dossiers of Afghan cultural heritage.

February - May 2003: Publication of the conclusions of the training activity, finalization and submission of the Tentative List.

Anticipated outputs:

1. Enhanced awareness of the World Heritage Convention and its work;
2. Identification of conservation needs;
3. Training in the elaboration of management plans and systematic monitoring;
4. Tentative List of potential World Heritage properties in Afghanistan;
5. Draft nomination dossier of potential World Heritage properties in Afghanistan.

	US\$
Total activity budget:	42,860
Contribution from national or other partners:	in kind
Provision of office space for the organisation of training activity	
Provision of salaries for the administrative officers, policy makers, future site-managers of potential World Heritage properties in Afghanistan who will organise and participate in this activity	
Amount requested from the World Heritage Fund:	42,860
Organisation	
Logistical assistance	3,000
Interpretation (US\$ 200 x 10 days)	2,000
Stationary and communication costs	2,000
Local transportation	1,000
Personnel	
Service fee of international expert preparing the training activity (US\$ 200 x 10 days)	2,000
Lump sum fee for IUCN, ICOMOS, ICCROM (US\$ 2,500 x 3)	7,500
Travel	
International travel of experts (US\$ 2,500 x 4 persons)	10,000
DSA for international experts	
Islamabad US\$ 90 x 2 days x 4 persons	720
Afghanistan US\$ 70 x 11 days x 4 persons	3,080
DSA for national experts	
Afghanistan US\$ 70 x 8 persons x 11 days	6,160
Kabul residents US\$ 30 x 7 persons x 10 days	2,100
Publication	
Translation, printing and distribution of the World Heritage Convention, its <i>Operational Guidelines</i> , Nomination Form, and other relevant working documents into local language	2,000
Drafting, editing, translation, printing and distribution of the final report of the training activity	1,000
Miscellaneous	
Visas, communications	300

Comments of the Advisory Bodies: ICOMOS supports the request. ICCROM's comments will be presented to the Committee during its 26th session.

Comments of the Secretariat: The World Heritage Centre supports this activity and recommends the approval of US\$ 42,860.

Action by the Committee: The Committee may wish to approve this request for an amount of **US\$ 42,860** as part of the US\$50,000 Emergency Package for 2002, provided it adjusts the budget of 2002-2003 during its 26th session.

FOR DECISION BY THE COMMITTEE
Request Number 13 Training Assistance

Type of heritage: MIXED **Region:** ASIA-PACIFIC **State Party:** CHINA

Status of dues to the World Heritage Fund: All dues paid

Title of Activity: Virtual Congress on World Heritage Management for Asia and the Pacific--
Architecture for Sustainable World Heritage Tourism

Previous contributions from the World Heritage Fund for this site: Not applicable

Background: As the fastest-growing and one of the most profitable industries in the world, tourism offers unparalleled opportunities for the economic development of local communities living in or near heritage sites in Asia and the Pacific. Where traditional economic activities are in decline, employment in tourism-related activities may offer many new opportunities. Properly managed sustainable tourism development is recognized as a means to alleviate poverty through provision of new employment opportunities and revitalization of traditional industries. Past experiences, however, have shown that unplanned tourism development, although profitable in the short term, can cause irreversible damage to humankind's most precious heritage sites by undermining the values of these sites. Activities related to ad hoc tourism development have the power to destroy heritage values with inappropriate infrastructure construction, migration of indigenous populations and unsustainable over-exploitation of the cultural and natural resources. Such activities also undermine the long-term benefits of heritage tourism by degrading and devaluing the very resource which the tourism is based upon.

Recognizing the need to promote responsible and sustainable tourism at World Heritage areas in the Asia-Pacific Region, UNESCO is working with the tourism industry, offering incentives to preserve culture and the environment, and also promoting the use of guidelines to ensure the industry's accountability.

To highlight some problems related to heritage protection and tourism development, particularly in China, a Virtual Congress on World Heritage Management for Asia and the Pacific is being organized by Tsinghua University focussing on "Architecture for Sustainable World Heritage Tourism for the Asia-Pacific" to be held in Beijing from 15 to 17 October 2002. This event will be part of the internet-based Virtual Congress on World Heritage in the Digital Age, being organized by the World Heritage Centre, International Society for Photogrammetry and Remote Sensing – ISRSP, Virtual Systems Multi-Media –VSMM and other partners.

Objectives: The objective is to generate recommendations on the planning/design process for appropriate tourism development at World Heritage sites in the Asia-Pacific Region and at the Chinese World Heritage sites in particular. Use of new information technologies as a tool for heritage conservation will be discussed along with participatory methods to promote consensus building for setting limits of acceptable development, utilization and change of heritage resources. It will also promote the involvement of universities for heritage protection.

The activity also aims to disseminate information on:

- perspectives on architectural design adapted to environmentally-conscious tourism, notably in the design of site museums and visitor centres, visitor paths, hotels and other tourism facilities;
- existing planning methodologies;
- perspectives of new information technology as a tool for heritage conservation planning.

Project Plan: The participating agencies of this activity are: UNESCO World Heritage Centre, the Chinese National Commission for UNESCO, the Ministry of Construction of China, the State Administration of Cultural Heritage of China, China National Tourism Administration and Tsinghua University. It is supported by the World Tourism Organization, the VSMM, the ISRSP, the Tong Fang Group (Beijing), ICOMOS, ICCROM, IUCN, the International Union of Architects (UIA).

A minimum of 150 persons will participate in this International Conference in Beijing and an estimated 2 million persons will visit the website of the Virtual Congress. In addition to the representatives from the 33 Asia-Pacific States Parties, responsible persons from national and some 50 local authorities in China which have World Heritage sites, or sites on the Tentative List; representatives from other institutions and

universities in China; representatives of regional bodies responsible for heritage preservation and tourism, and representatives from universities abroad with which Tsinghua has joint-projects will also be invited.

Anticipated outputs:

1. Recommendations on a Chinese approach to sustainable tourism and planning for site infrastructural development
2. Enhancement of public awareness and participation towards World Heritage conservation and management
3. Establishment of a network of Chinese specialists who could further elaborate and implement pilot projects for sustainable tourism of World Heritage properties

		US\$
Total Activity Budget		62,000
Contribution from national agencies or others: The Government of China will organise the meeting including management of the Steering Committee, overseeing the daily schedule, accommodation and meals for all participants and implementation of all administrative and technical factors.		In kind
Contribution from national agencies in cash:		
1. Costs for equipment and supporting facilities		18,700
Rental of conference room	4,800	
Photocopy service	1,500	
One slide projector and screen for AV facilities	1,500	
Stationary	800	
Field visits	3,000	
Three sets of PC with multi-media function	5,600	
Secretariat assistance (5 teachers and 10 students from Tsinghua)	1,500	
2. Publication/website		9,500
Pre-conference document preparation and publicity	6,000	
Production of CD Rom	2,000	
Final report preparation	1,500	
3. Miscellaneous		1,500
Amount requested from the Fund		32,300
1. Organisational costs		12,300
DSA in Beijing for resource persons (8 persons x US\$119 x 4 days)	3,800	
Accommodation in Beijing for national experts (5 x US\$ 50 x 4days)	1,000	
Translation and interpretation	7,500	
2. Personnel (include fees to be paid to resource persons)		10,000
Fees for international experts (8 persons x 3 days x US\$ 166)	4,000	
Honoraria for national resource persons (5 persons x US\$ 400)	2,000	
UNESCO preparation of mission and related costs	4,000	
3. Travel		10,000
Travel costs of international experts (US\$ 1,000 x 8 persons)	8,000	
Travel costs for national experts (US\$ 200 x 5 persons)	1,000	
Local transportation for all the participants	1,000	

Comments of the Secretariat: The budget is modest, reasonable and the activity is well planned. This request, favourably supported by ICOMOS and ICCROM, will address a serious need to integrate heritage conservation and tourism development. The Chairperson approved an amount of US\$10,000 under the promotional assistance for Budget item 3 to cover the travel of international experts and participants from Asian countries. WHC recommends that the remaining US\$22,300 be funded through the World Heritage Fund, partially from training assistance (US\$12,300) and partially from the Programme Initiative for Tourism.

Comments of the Advisory Bodies: ICOMOS found this a well-conceived and timely project, with special relevance to this region at the present time. Making its deliberations and results available to a vast audience via the internet is an admirable initiative. ICOMOS found that the activity is well planned and the budget breakdown reasonable, and therefore strongly supports this request. It also supports the proposal of the Secretariat that the total sum requested should be divided so as to assist the organizers, given the tight time schedule.

ICCROM found the project to be very well conceived. It addresses priority issues, builds on past initiatives and is conceived within a scientific framework which integrates the most up-to-date thinking on managing tourism for the benefit of heritage resources. The use of contemporary communications technology involves use of communication means relatively unfamiliar to most individuals, but this exploration seems well thought through, well planned, involving those with appropriate expertise and well worth support. The described outcome of the Congress seem highly appropriate and in tune with the overall financing required for the project.

Accordingly, ICCROM had no hesitation in supporting the full amount requested from the World Heritage Fund (\$32,300).

Action by the Committee: The Committee may wish to approve this request for **US\$12,300** for funding in 2002 provided it adjusts the 2002-2003 budget during its 26th session, requesting the Centre to utilize US\$10,000 from the Programme Initiative for Tourism.

FOR DECISION BY THE COMMITTEE
Request Number 14 Training Assistance

Type of heritage: CULTURAL **Region:** ASIA – PACIFIC **State Party:** TURKMENISTAN

Status of dues to the World Heritage Fund: US\$ 109 due for 2001 and US\$ 109 due for 2002

Title of Activity: Reinforcement of the capacities of the Department for Protection and Restoration of Monuments, Turkmenistan, to conserve the World Heritage site of Ancient Merv

Previous contributions from the World Heritage Fund for this site:

Technical Co-operation	2000	US\$ 30,000	Technical support for the monitoring of principle earthen architectural monuments within Ancient Merv
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Background: The site is under the legal control of the Ministry of Culture, Department for the Protection and Restoration of Monuments, and is currently managed by a permanent Turkmen team. The team is composed of 28 staff members with diverse qualifications: architects, engineers, archaeologists, a geologist, administrative and security staff, etc. The site consists of different types of monuments, which are in varying states of conservation. All monuments are in rather poor condition and deteriorating at a relatively fast pace, particularly those constructed of unbaked earthen architecture. Collapsed structures could be seen in October 2001. The main threats to the conservation of the site include direct erosion by wind and rain, lack of financial and technical means to carry out the necessary emergency works, imbalance in the implemented activities (archaeological excavation v.s. conservation) and a lack of a comprehensive management plan.

Objectives: The proposed training will be a practical demonstration intended to reinforce the Turkmen capacities in terms of site conservation and management. The proposed objectives are the following:

1. Train the technicians and artisans involved in the site conservation through practical activities and theoretical courses. The trainees will include site staff and local community members who are regularly employed for works.
2. Provide operational guidelines for the implementation of conservation works.
3. Provide practical and scientific experience that will increase the competence of the trained group, to enable them to carry out similar activities on other monuments, firstly in Merv, and then other national sites in the long term.

Project Plan: All the details of the scheduled activities are provided within the request.

- One month of preparation by the site director.
- One week preparatory mission by an international expert.
- Three weeks training programme.

Anticipated outputs:

- Definition of adapted conservation techniques.
- Consolidation of threatened structures.
- Improvement of the capacity to plan and implement appropriate conservation programmes.
- Improvement in scientific/technical capacity of Turkmen professionals for the management of heritage sites in Merv. It is also expected in the long term that the trained staff can use the expertise gained to assist other national and regional sites.

	US\$
Total activity budget:	81,814
Contribution from national or other partners:	In kind 10,000
Turkmen Government and CRATerre	3,000
Amount requested from the Fund:	68,814

1. Preparatory Mission		6,316
A. Preparation of mission		
1 expert 0,5 week	750	
B. Mission		
1 expert 1 week	2,933	
translator 1 week	1,133	
C. Report and follow up		
1 expert 1 week	1,500	
2. Training		55,498
A. Preparation in France		
1 expert 1,5 week	2,250	
B. Preparation in Turkmenistan		
1 expert 1 week	2,933	
1 junior expert 1 week	2,633	
translator 4 weeks	4,466	
C. Training		
1 expert 3 weeks	5,733	
1 junior expert 3 weeks	4,833	
local staff	9,000	
D. Logistics		
per diems trainees	1,500	
local transportation	2,000	
building materials	6,000	
tools and equipment	5,000	
documentation	2,000	
publications	2,500	
E. Evaluation and report		
1 expert 1,5 week	2,250	
1 junior expert 2 weeks	2,400	
3. Other costs		7,000
A. Turkmenistan		
Organizational costs	3,000	
Communication	1,000	
B. France		
Organizational costs	2,000	
Communication	1,000	

Comments of the Advisory Bodies: ICOMOS found the request well formulated and expressed its full support. ICCROM expressed its support for the request during the 26th session of the Bureau.

Comments of the Secretariat: The World Heritage Centre supports this activity as it continues the work commenced in 2000 for the establishment of a basic monitoring system at the Ancient Merv World Heritage site. The proposed activity will contribute to capacity building within Turkmenistan, and falls within the Central Asian Earth Programme (2002-2012), adopted by the World Heritage Committee. During its 26th session, the Bureau of the World Heritage Committee approved an initial US\$ 30,000 to commence the activity. It is therefore recommended that the remaining US\$ 38,814 be approved by the Committee.

Action by the Committee: The Committee may wish to approve the remaining **US\$ 38,814** for funding in 2003 of this activity.

FOR DECISION BY THE COMMITTEE
Request Number 15 Training Assistance

Type of heritage: CULTURAL **Region:** ASIA **State Party:** UZBEKISTAN

Status of dues to the World Heritage Fund: US\$ 36,643 due since 2000.

Title of Activity: Restoration of the medersa "Rachid" at Bukhara World Heritage site and creation of an international training center for the conservation of architectural heritage

Previous contributions from the World Heritage Fund for this site:

Emergency	Bukhara	1995	US\$ 34,000
Emergency	Bukhara	1997	US\$ 16,000

Background: Bukhara is the most complete example of a medieval city in Central Asia, with an urban fabric that has remained largely intact. However, several traditional mud-brick and timber buildings (medersa, caravanserail, private houses) in the historic centre of Bukhara are endangered due to their fragile construction and the degradation process is constantly increasing. Local and national capacity for the conservation and restoration of this site are limited. Dissemination of international technical know-how on appropriate conservation techniques and the revitalisation of traditional craftsmanship are required.

The project "Carebuk" was developed by the Government of Uzbekistan in close co-operation with the School of Architecture of Lyon (France) with the aim to restore the eighteenth century medersa "Rachid" and to create a training centre for activities and exchanges of technical know-how related to the conservation, protection, restoration and presentation of urban and architectural heritage.

The Bureau examined this request at its 26th session and requested the State Party to provide further information concerning the training component of the "Carebuk" Project.

Objectives: The Governments of Belgium and Italy are expected to co-finance this "Carebuk" project, which aims to:

1. Restore one historic building and reuse it as a training centre for conservation of architectural heritage
2. Establish an international co-operation programme for training and exchange of technical know-how in conservation, restoration, and adaptive re-use of architectural heritage
3. Elaborate a handbook on historical building conservation techniques
4. Raise awareness amongst the local population.

Project Plan: This international assistance request is to finance the in-site training activity of the "Carebuk" Project. The training component is planned as follows:

Preliminary work (3 days): Consultations between the project team with the national and local authorities to prepare the implementation of the project

Week 1: Consultations between the Bukhara municipality, international and national experts; taking of small samples of the building; identification of priority areas; elaboration of a detailed work plan; cleaning of the building site and removal of vegetal growth; theoretical course on methods of architectural investigation and analysis;

Week 2: In-site testing of samples and compilation of data; purge of coating and fragile masonry zones; consolidation of the domes, implementation of protective systems, data collection for the restoration of the domes, theoretical and practical course in building consolidation

Week 3: Restoration of 3 domes and of individual fragile masonries, identification of three rooms to be renovated, study and project proposals for the renovation of door and window frames; theoretical and practical course on architectural surfaces treatment

Week 4: Restoration of individual fragile masonries, restoration of three rooms, cracks, floors, window and door frames, theoretical and practical course on the restoration and adaptive re-use of architectural heritage

Anticipated outputs:

1. Exchange of experiences and transmission of know-how on architectural preservation techniques
2. Restoration of the medersa Rachid and establishment of a training centre for the conservation of architectural heritage

		US\$
Total activity budget:		414,240
Contribution from national authorities: rental of conference room for meetings, availability of the medersa Rachid (State property), accommodation for local craftsmen and experts, building material		In kind
Contribution by the Governments of Belgium and Italy (in cash)		360,280
Contribution of the University of Lyon (in Kind)		
Amount requested from the Fund:		53,960
1. Organisational costs		1,570
Equipment (projector, screen)	350	
Photocopies and drawing material	100	
Small equipment for sample testings and surveys	120	
Communication (rental of two portable phones and phonecards)	400	
Ladders, trowels, seals, hammers, brushes	600	
2. Fee of international experts		11,940
1 architect (US\$ 160 x 18 days)	2,880	
1 architect/ art historian (US\$ 160 x 18 days)	2,880	
1 site co-ordinator (US\$ 160 x 18 days)	2,880	
1 expert from a firm (US\$ 300 x 5 days)	1,500	
1 filmmaker (US\$ 100 x 18 days)	1,800	
3. Fee of national experts		1,900
1 architect from the city of Bukhara (US\$ 50 x 8 days)	400	
1 architect responsible for the inspection of the monuments (US\$ 50 x 6 days)	300	
1 site supervisor (US\$ 35 x 20 days)	700	
1 archaeologist, specialised in the city of Bukhara (US\$ 50 x 5 days)	250	
1 engineer, specialised in stabilisation of ancient buildings (US\$ 50 x 5 days)	250	
4. International travel		5,950
5 round trip Paris – Tashkent and car rental (US\$ 800 x 5)	4,000	
Accommodation in Bukhara US\$ 25 x 18 days x 4 experts	1,800	
US\$ 25 x 6 days x 1 expert	150	
5. Domestic travel		600
2 round trips Bukhara-Tashkent	300	
Accommodation US\$ 25 x 6 days x 2 national experts	300	
6. Theoretical courses and practical work on site		32,000
Week 1	6,000	
Week 2	8,000	
Week 3	9,000	
Week 4	9,000	

Comments of the Advisory Bodies: ICOMOS and ICCROM were requested to examine this resubmitted request on 11 June 2002.

Comments of the Secretariat: The Secretariat supports this reformulated request as the activity complements the Central Asian Earth Programme to increase the capacity of the national and local site managers of earthen architectural properties in Central Asia. Further details concerning the budget for the theoretical and practical training work have been requested and will be presented to the Committee.

Action by the Committee: Subject to the Advisory Bodies supporting the request, the Committee may wish to approve this request for an amount of **US\$ 53,960** for funding in 2003.

PART III
INTERNATIONAL ASSISTANCE REQUESTS
FOR APPROVAL BY THE CHAIRPERSON

FOR DECISION BY THE CHAIRPERSON
Request Number 16 Preparatory Assistance

Type of heritage: MIXED **Region:** AFRICA **State Party:** RWANDA

Status of dues to the World Heritage Fund: All dues paid

Title of Activity: Organization of a Seminar for the preparation of a Tentative List of potential World Heritage properties in Rwanda

Previous contributions from the World Heritage Fund for this site: None

Background: The Republic of Rwanda ratified the World Heritage Convention in 2000. Rwanda has no Tentative List.

Objectives: Establish a precise inventory of potential world natural and cultural heritage properties and sensitise the conservation authorities and local population on the application of the Convention.

Project plan:

- (a) Engage an international expert, a specialist in African historical monuments in association with the Rwanda authorities in charge of culture, in establishing an inventory of possible World Heritage sites
- (b) Consultation with relevant authorities responsible for cultural heritage conservation;
- (c) Organization of an information seminar on the World Heritage Convention;
- (d) Establishment of an inventory of the Rwandan cultural heritage.

Anticipated outputs:

- 1. Tentative List of Rwandan Cultural heritage
- 2. Implementation of the recommendations of the African Global Strategy Meetings
- 3. Increase in awareness of the local and national population on the World Heritage Convention

		US\$
Total activity budget:		22,140
Contribution from the national administration and the Government of Rwanda - Data, local transport for the experts, photographic equipment, and support staff		In kind & cash 2,340
Amount requested from the Fund:		19,800
1. International Expert Missions		9,500
Round trip to Rwanda from within Africa Region	1,300	
Domestic travel in the field	900	
Honoraria 5 x US\$ 760 per week	3,800	
Collection, organization of information and the establishment of a bibliography including typing etc	700	
DSA US\$ 80X 35 days	2,800	
2. Costs for the Organization of the National Seminar		10,300
Rental of Seminar Hall 3 x US\$ 350 per day	1,050	
Rental of audio visual equipment (micros, retro-projector, etc)	1,580	
Local participants transport	1,500	
Local participants per diem 25 participants x 3 days x US\$65	4,875	
Coffee break 3 days	395	
Stationery	250	
Photocopies and the final report	500	
Miscellaneous	150	

Comments of the Advisory Bodies: The World Heritage Centre transmitted the request to ICOMOS on 14 June 2002.

Comments of the Secretariat: The World Heritage Centre supports this request.

Action by the Chairperson: Provided ICOMOS approves this request, the Chairperson may wish to approve this request for **US\$ 19,800** to be funded from the 2002 Preparatory Assistance budget.

FOR DECISION BY CHAIRPERSON
Request Number 17 Preparatory Assistance

Type of heritage: CULTURAL **Region:** EUROPE **State Party:** AZERBAIJAN

Status of dues to the World Heritage Fund: All dues paid

Title of Activity: Preparation of the nomination dossiers for Gobustan Reserve, Nakhchivan Mausoleums and Fire Worshippers' Temple in Surakhani, Tentative List sites

Previous contributions from the World Heritage Fund for this site: None

Background: Nominations of the three properties were submitted to the World Heritage Centre in February 2002. However, none of the three nominations was complete.

Objectives: Preparation of reformulated nomination dossiers for Gobustan Reserve, Nakhchivan Mausoleums and Fire worshippers' Temple in Surakhani for inscription on the World Heritage List.

Project plan: The activity is expected to commence in August 2002 with a view to complete and submit the full and complete nomination dossiers to UNESCO before or on 1 February 2003.

Anticipated outputs:

1. Submission of a complete nomination dossier
2. Implementation of the recommendations of the Central Asian Global Strategy Meeting (May 2002)
3. Implementation of the Central Asian Earth Programme (2002-2012)

		US\$
Total activity budget:		16,950
Contribution from the Ministry of Culture of Azerbaijan will provide in kind contributions to the preparation of the nomination dossiers		In kind
Communication, miscellaneous costs		
Amount requested from the Fund:		16,950
One International Expert Mission		16,950
International travel (Europe-Baku-Europe)	1,600	
DSA in Baku - \$ 130 x 45 days	5,850	
Expert fee - \$ 1,000 per week x 6.5 weeks	6,500	
Preparation of maps, photos, video, drawings, etc.	3,000	

Comments of the Advisory Bodies: The request was transmitted to the Advisory Bodies on 12 June 2002.

Comments of the Secretariat: The World Heritage Centre supports this activity as Azerbaijan has only one site inscribed on the World Heritage List and the nomination dossier for the three proposed sites were incomplete.

Action by the Chairperson: The Chairperson may wish to approve this request for **US\$ 16,950** for funding in 2003 subject to the support of the request by the Advisory Bodies.

FOR DECISION BY CHAIRPERSON
Request Number 18 Technical Co-operation

Type of heritage: CULTURAL **Region:** EUROPE & NORTH AMERICA **State Party:** BULGARIA

Status of dues to the World Heritage Fund: US\$ 463 due for 2002

Title of Activity: Organization of an International meeting: "The Management of Archaeological Heritage, with special reference to the World Heritage Convention: The case of Eastern Europe"

Previous contributions from the World Heritage Fund:

Preparatory Assistance	1991	US\$ 5,201
Technical Co-operation	1982 to 1998	US\$ 270,746
Training	1980 to 1999	US\$ 67,700

Background: There is a need for training, through discussion on management issues relating to archaeological, cultural landscape and town/cities sites for Eastern European World Heritage sites managers as well as practical sessions on the best practice and content of World Heritage site management plan.

Objectives: The Inter-Archaeological Congress (Sofia, 2002) has four main objectives:

- a) to provide an unrestricted and open forum where the issues surrounding heritage management in Eastern Europe can be discussed freely and without censorship; this meeting of international experts would investigate an holistic approach to heritage management in Eastern Europe set within a context of international experience and expertise. It will form part of the on-going programme of Inter-Congresses of WAC (World Archaeological Congress)
- b) to provide a meeting place where colleagues from all parts of the world can meet to discuss and exchange information and experience with regard to the destruction, restoration and management of cultural property (i) generally and (ii) specifically with in the context of UNESCO's 1954 (Hague) Convention for the Protection of Cultural Property in the Event of Armed Conflict and the 1972 World Heritage Convention;
- c) to provide a forum where future WAC action regarding the destruction, restoration and management of cultural property can be discussed and formulated;
- d) to provide the basis for one or more post Inter-Congress publication(s) on the destruction, restoration and management of (world) heritage cultural property in Eastern Europe.

The Inter-Congress will explore a number of issues fundamental to the understanding of the destruction, restoration and management of cultural heritage and of the creation of the concept of a world heritage including:

1. management of the conservation of heritage sites, areas, and landscapes
2. integration of heritage management into urban and rural planning
3. management of inscribed World Heritage sites
4. the development of tourism related to heritage
 - 4.1. visitor management at heritage sites
 - 4.2. the economic benefit of heritage tourism to host communities and countries
5. the relationship between heritage management and media

The meeting is an Inter-Congress of the World Archaeological Congress being hosted by the Bulgarian Ministry of Culture with the support of the Ministry of Economics, the Sofia Municipality, the Bulgarian National Commission for UNESCO and CRESTA Marketing.

Project plan: The Congress is planned to be held at the end of 2002.

Anticipated outputs: Practical advice for World Heritage sites management and management plans (specifically archaeological heritage)

	US\$
Total activity budget:	71,000
Contributions from national or other sources	51,000

Registrations		20,000
Contribution from the WAC		25,000
Sofia Municipality (in Kind)		2,000
Cresta Marketing		4,000
Amount requested from the Fund:		20,000
Travel costs (economic airfare to and from Sofia) for 14 participants from developing countries and Eastern Europe for a total of US\$ 20,000:		
Benin	1,400	
Botswana	1,370	
Cameroon	1,563	
Gabon	1,427	
Nigeria	2,670	
Argentina	2,200	
Brazil	2,140	
China	2,100	
Thailand	590	
India	1,520	
Sri Lanka	1,520	
Jordan,	400	
Turkey	300	
Russia	800	

Comments of the Advisory Bodies: ICOMOS has been requested to evaluate the request.

Comments of the Secretariat: The secretariat supports the request.

Action by the Chairperson: The Chairperson may wish to approve this request for **US\$ 20,000** for funding in 2003 and provided the State Party pays its dues to the World Heritage Fund, and subject to ICOMOS supporting the request.

FOR DECISION BY THE CHAIRPERSON
Request Number 19 Technical Co-operation

Type of heritage: CULTURAL **Region:** EUROPE & NORTH AMERICA **State Party:** UKRAINE

Status of dues to the World Heritage Fund: US\$ 1,878 due for 2002

Title of Activity: Monitoring System of the Bell Tower deformations St. Sophia Cathedral in Kyiv

Previous contributions from the World Heritage Fund for this site: none

Background: The Bell Tower of the St. Sophia Cathedral is part of the ensemble of monastic buildings in the Baroque style, erected on the territory of the Cathedral in the 17th - 18th century. The technical state of the 76m high Bell Tower is in a serious condition. Numerous cracks in the walls and vaults on the whole of its height have been noted as well as deviations from the vertical line. The most threatening factors are, physical ageing of the building material, physical properties of the foundation of the buildings (loss of stability - humidity).

Objectives: Establishment of a continuous monitoring system for the analysis of the cracks in the walls and the vaults of the Bell Tower. This consists of the acquisition of a special monitoring system/device which will document the behaviour of cracks and the movement of the construction.

Anticipated outputs:

1. Establish a continuous monitoring system for the analysis of the Tower
2. Conservation and restoration of the Bell Tower of the St. Sophia Cathedral;

		US\$
Total activity budget:		39,980
Contribution from the Ministry of Culture, Government of Ukraine		19,990
Monitoring System installation and consultation regarding measuring methods	2,000	
Delivery of equipment, travel, hotel, installation of equipment, 2 years supervision on processing of data after the system installation	5,000	
Data loggers with analogue inputs x 2	4,400	
Sensors for each location of measurement	2,600	
Notebook Pentium IV with software package	3,790	
Additional equipment for network and power supply	2,200	
Amount requested from the Fund:		19,990
Monitoring System - Modular design with network of sensors and data loggers connected with a special link to a personal computer with a maximum distance of 1000 m		19,900

Comments of the Advisory Bodies: ICOMOS confirmed that the tower is especially well suited to analysis of the kind proposed using modern computerized equipment, given that access for hand monitoring on this type of structure is both difficult and expensive, given the need to erect elaborate scaffolding.

Comments of the Secretariat: The World Heritage Centre supports this request.

Action by the Chairperson: The Chairperson may wish to approve this request for **US\$ 19,990** for funding in 2003, subject to the State Party paying its dues for 2002. The Chairperson may request UNESCO Purchasing Unit to assist the Centre and the State Party in purchasing the necessary equipment.

FOR DECISION BY THE CHAIRPERSON
Request Number 20 Emergency Assistance

Type of heritage: CULTURAL **Region:** LATIN AMERICA & THE CARIBBEAN **State Party:** CHILE

Status of dues to the World Heritage Fund: All dues paid

Title of Activity: Emergency assistance for the Churches of Chiloé

Previous contributions from the World Heritage Fund for this site: None

Background: On 14 March 2002, a violent storm caused significant damage to the Churches of Chiloé, and in particular to the Tower of the Church of Nuestra Señora del Rosario de Chonchi which was heavily damaged, the San Juan Tower which risks collapse, and the Church of Nuestra Gracia de Quinchao, and to the Church of Tenaun. The situation remains serious due to humidity and heavy rain and wind, which have caused further damage and deterioration to the World Heritage protected structures.

Objectives, project description and anticipated output: The activity aims to contribute to the reconstruction of the tower of the Church of Chonchi.

Budget: The request was submitted without a budget breakdown, which has been requested by the World Heritage Centre.

Comments of the Advisory Bodies: The devastation brought by the high winds and heavy rain in March 2002 to the wooden churches of Chiloé, and in particular to the Church at Chonchi, fully justifies the granting of emergency assistance from the World Heritage Fund. The report prepared by the Chilean experts is meticulous and sets out the magnitude and nature of the restoration problems. Because of the extent of the damage at Chonchi, the request for US\$ 50,000 is reasonable, and ICOMOS recommends that the grant should be made with minimum delay, given the particular risk to the church due to the materials from which it is built.

Comments of the Secretariat: The Secretariat agrees with ICOMOS and underscores the urgency for granting emergency assistance as the seasonal heavy rains have commenced.

Action by the Chairperson: The Chairperson may wish to approve **US\$ 50,000** for funding in 2002, provided the State Party submits a budget breakdown which is supported by ICOMOS and follows UNESCO regulations, and provided the Committee adjusts the budget for 2002-2003 during its 26th session.

FOR DECISION BY THE CHAIRPERSON
Request Number 21 Emergency Assistance

Type of heritage: CULTURAL **Region:** LATIN AMERICA AND THE CARRIBEAN **State Party:** PERU

Status of dues to the World Heritage Fund: All dues paid as of 31 December 2001

Title of Activity: Archaeological site of Chavín

Previous contributions from the World Heritage Fund for this site:

Preparatory Assistance	1988	US\$ 7,500	
Preparatory Assistance	1994	US\$ 4,000	
Emergency Assistance	1998	US\$ 37,250	Protection against the El Niño phenomenon and provision of security to visitors by improving drainage systems and constructing protective structures, consolidating walls.

Background: The site of Chavín has faced serious conservation problems particularly due to the El Niño phenomenon. A Committee to implement a Master Plan was established in 1999, but this Committee is not functioning.

Objectives: The aim of the emergency request is:

1. To carry out a complete study of the architectural structures of the Ceremonial Centre of Chavín de Huantar to determine their stability.
2. To establish zones of protection of the areas of the archaeological excavations within the World Heritage protected areas.
3. To establish appropriate access routes for the sector of La Banda, test drainage systems, and undertake emergency work to consolidate the historic buildings in order to avoid collapse.

Project Plan

Activities	Phase 1	Phase 2	Phase 3	Phase 4
Archaeological Excavations	X			
Topographic tasks	X	X		
Secretarial work		X	X	X
Technical studies	X	X	X	
Final and technical reports				X
Chavin de Huantar Plan		X	X	X
Conservation tasks		X	X	X

Anticipated output:

Evaluation and technical studies which will permit appropriate planning and implementation of mid to long-term conservation work and the enhancement of a Master Plan of the site.

		US\$
Total activity budget:		33,500
Contribution from INC: (20%)		6,700
Archaeological Excavations (includes conservation task)		3,750
Topography tasks		1,225
Secretarial work		1,500
Report		100
Miscellaneous		130
Amount requested from the Fund: (80%)		26,800
1. Archaeological excavations:		15,000
Fee for two archaeologists (US\$ 600 x 3 months x 2)		3,600
Manual labour (6 workmen x US\$ 150 x 2 months)		1,800
Fee for conservationist (US\$ 600 x 7 months)		4,200
Manual labour (3 workmen x US\$ 150 x 9 months)		4,050
Equipment		1,350
2. Topographical Survey		4,900

Fee for topographer (US\$ 500 x 6 months)	3,000	
Equipment	804	
Transport	100	
Fee for assistant (US\$ 166 x 6 months)	996	
3. Secretarial work		6,000
Archaeologist (US\$ 600 x 9 months)	5,400	
Stationary	600	
4. Printing and editing of the report		400
5. Miscellaneous		500

Comments of the Advisory Bodies: ICOMOS carefully studied the request and supports it fully and unreservedly, as the situation at Chavín has been a source of concern for the World Heritage Committee and ICOMOS for many years and urgent action is needed. The programme of archaeological excavations and structural survey of the remains will provide necessary basic data which will permit the Conservation Master Plan to be implemented without further delay.

Comments of the Secretariat: The Secretariat supports the request.

Action by the Chairperson: The Chairperson may wish to approve this request for **US\$ 26,800** for funding in 2002 provided the Committee adjusts the budget for 2002-2003 during its 26th session.