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Item 7 of the Provisional Agenda: Nominations to be examined in 2004

List of new nominations received by 1 February 2003

SUMMARY

This document, requested by the 26th session of the Committee in June 2002 (**Decision 26 COM 14.4**), presents the status of nominations submitted by States Parties to be examined by the World Heritage Committee in 2004.

The decision by the 24th session of the Committee (Cairns, 2000) to limit the number of new nominations will be reviewed by the Committee at its 27th ordinary session in Suzhou, China (29 June - 5 July 2003).

The document is divided into three parts:

- I. Background
- II. Status report on all nominations received as of 1 February 2003
- III. Draft Decision

Decision required:

The Committee is requested to examine this document and the draft decision in Part III.

I. BACKGROUND

1. At its 24th session (Cairns, 2000), the World Heritage Committee decided to limit the number of new nominations it would examine to 30 "on an interim basis"¹; and to examine only those nominations which were "full and complete" by the deadline of 1 February.

For this purpose, the World Heritage Centre proposed a set of guidelines to determine whether a nomination was full and complete:

"A nomination was considered to be "full and complete" if all information requested by the World Heritage Committee in the Nomination Format was submitted in the required number of copies by 1 February 2002.

A nomination was determined to be "almost complete" if the missing information could be supplied without modification to the nomination text. For example, if the only missing elements were a map or slides, or there were an insufficient number of copies, the nomination was considered "almost complete".

If the nomination required textual changes (for instance, if no justification was provided, or sections of the nomination were omitted), the nomination was considered "incomplete"."²

2. At its 26th session (June 2002), the Committee decided that the category of "almost complete" should be abolished, and that henceforth "all nominations will be accepted only if they are 'complete' as defined in the *Operational Guidelines* - at the time of the deadline" (**Decision 26 COM 14.3**).

3. A large percentage of the nominations were submitted in the last days of January 2003. To the extent possible, the World Heritage Centre worked with States Parties to make their nominations complete by 1 February 2003.

II. STATUS REPORT ON ALL NOMINATIONS RECEIVED

4. The Committee requested the Centre "to submit at each Committee session a list of all nominations received, including the date of reception, an indication of their status 'complete' or 'incomplete', as well as the date at which they are considered as 'complete' in conformity with the *Operational Guidelines*" (**Decision 26 COM 14.4**). This list is presented below.

¹ The Committee decided that "No State Parties should submit more than one nomination, except those States Parties that have no sites inscribed on the World Heritage List who will have the opportunity to propose two or three nominations." It also agreed that the 30 new nominations "will be considered together with nominations deferred, or referred, from previous meetings and changes to the boundaries of already inscribed properties" (Report of the 20th session (Cairns, 2000)), (WHC-2000/CONF.204/21). The Committee at its 25th session agreed that "transboundary nominations would not be counted within the limit of thirty nominations" (para. X.19, WHC-01/CONF.208/24).

² WHC-02/CONF.202/10 Rev.1, Budapest, Hungary, 25 June 2002

5. As of 1 February 2003, the World Heritage Centre had received:
- 46 new nominations, of which 32 were considered complete;
 - 10 proposals for extensions to inscribed sites, of which 6 were considered complete;
 - 4 nominations for sites previously deferred or referred by the Committee, of which 3 were considered complete;
 - 2 transboundary nominations, of which 1 was considered complete.
- 5 Supplementary nominations submitted for consideration by future sessions of the Committee, of which 2 were considered complete³
- 3 Nominations submitted after the deadline of 1 February 2003 (as of 12 March 2003)

6. The following is a full list of all nominations received between 2 February 2002 and 1 February 2003, in order by State Party.

New nominations are highlighted in **bold**,

Extensions are followed by the words "Bis" (first extension) or "Ter" (second and later extensions),

Deferred or referred nominations are given the suffix "Rev";

Transboundary nominations are indicated by "T"; and

Supplementary nominations by "S".

In the column "Status":

I indicates a nomination determined Incomplete

C indicates a nomination determined Complete.

Nominations Received between 2 February 2002 and 1 February 2003

State Party	Property Proposed	Identification Number	Date received by WHC	Date Made Complete	Status
Albania	La ville musée de Gjirokastra	569 Rev	28/01/2003	///	I
Andorra	La Vallée du Madriu-Claror-Perafita	1160	31/01/2003	31/01/2003	C
Armenia	Amaghu Valley Cultural Landscape	1092	05/02/2002	///	I
Australia	Royal Exhibition Building and Carleton Gardens	1131	31/12/2002	31/12/2002	C
Austria	Hohe Tauern National Park (core zone) Carinthia, Salzburg, Tyrol	1089	31/01/2003	31/01/2003	C
Azerbaijan	Gobustan Rock Art Cultural Landscape	1076	27/01/2003	27/01/2003	C
Bahrain	Hawar Islands	1126	25/06/2002	28/01/2003	C
China	Capital Cities and imperial tombs and nobles' tombs of Koguryo	1135	22/01/2003	31/01/2003	C
China	Imperial Palace of the Ming and Qing Dynasties (Extension to include the Imperial Palace of the Qing Dynasty in Shenyang)	439 Bis	22/01/2003	28/01/2003	C
China	Imperial Tombs of the Ming and Qing Dynasties (Extension to include the Three Imperial Tombs of the Qing Dynasty in Shengjing)	1004 Ter	22/01/2003	28/01/2003	C
Costa Rica	Corcovado National Park and Isla del Caño Biological Reserve	1128	30/09/2002	30/01/2003	C
Cyprus	Wine Village Terraces	1122	05/02/2002	31/01/2003	C
Czech Republic	Rock Cities of the Bohemian Paradise	1129	07/10/2002	16/01/2003	C
Denmark	Ilulissat Icefjord	1149	29/01/2003	31/01/2003	C
Dominican Republic	Route of the First Colonial Sugar Mills of America	1132	15/01/2003	///	I
Ecuador	Lacs du Cajas et Ruines de Paredones	1124	31/01/2003	31/01/2003	C

³ Not included in this list are 10 additional Supplementary nominations presented prior to 1 February 2002 for future consideration by the Committee

State Party	Property Proposed	Identification Number	Date received by WHC	Date Made Complete	Status
Estonia	Kuressaare Fortress	1125	22/05/2002	13/01/2003	C
France	Causses et Cévennes	1153	30/01/2003	///	I
Gabon	Ecosystème et paysage culturel relique de Lopé-Okanda	1147	28/01/2003	///	I
Gabon	Ecosystème et paysage culturel du Massif de Minkébé	1148	28/01/2003	///	I
Germany	Dresden Elbe Valley ⁴	1156	30/01/2003	30/01/2003	C
Germany	City of Regensburg	1155 S	30/01/2003	///	I
Germany/Poland	Park Muzakowski / Muskauer Park	1127 T	18/07/2002	31/01/2003	C
Germany	Upper German-Raetian Limes (ORL) ⁵	1154 T	30/01/2003	///	I
Iceland	Þingvellir National Park	1152	29/01/2003	29/01/2003	C
India	Champaner-Pavagadh Archaeological Park	1101	20/12/2002	28/01/2003	C
India	Great Living Chola Temples (Extension of Brihadisvara Temple, Thanjavur)	250 Bis	29/01/2003	29/01/2003	C
India	Chhatrapati Shivaji Terminus (formerly Victoria Terminus) Station	945 Rev	30/01/2003	30/01/2003	C
India	Nanda Devi National Park (Extension to include the Valley of Flower National Park)	335 Bis	30/01/2003	///	I
India	Mountain Railways of India (Extension to Darjeeling Himalayan Railway to include the Nilgiri Mountain Railway)	944 Bis	30/01/2003	///	I
Indonesia	Tropical Rainforest Heritage of Sumatra	1167	31/01/2003	31/01/2003	C
Iran	Pasargadae	1106	29/01/2002	30/01/2003	C
Israel	The Incense and Spice Route and the Desert Cities in the Negev	1107	28/01/2002	///	I
Israel	Ancient Water Systems in the Biblical Tel	1108 S	28/01/2002	///	I
Italy	Etruscan Necropolises of Cerveteri and Tarquinia	1158	30/01/2003	30/01/2003	C
Italy	Val d'Orcia	1026 Rev	30/01/2003	30/01/2003	C
Japan	Sacred Sites and Pilgrimage Routes in the Kii Mountain Range, and the Cultural Landscape that surround them	1142	27/01/2003	27/01/2003	C
Jordan	Um er-Rasas (Kastrom Mefa'a)	1093	21/02/2002	28/01/2003	C
Kazakhstan	Petroglyphs within the Archaeological Landscape of Tamgaly	1145	28/01/2003	28/01/2003	C
Lithuania	Kernave Archaeological Site (Cultural Reserve of Kernave)	1137	23/01/2003	31/01/2003	C
Mali	Le Tombeau des Askia	1139	24/01/2003	24/01/2003	C
Mauritania	Azougui - oasis et capitale Almoravide	1157	30/01/2003	///	I
Mexico	Luis Barragán House and Studio	1136	23/01/2003	27/01/2003	C
Norway	Vegaøyan -- The Vega Archipelago	1143	27/01/2003	27/01/2003	C
Pakistan	Sites of the Indus Valley Civilization	1163	31/01/2003	///	I
Panama	Coiba National Park	1138	23/01/2003	30/01/2003	C
Poland	Cistercian Abbey in Krzeszów	1144	27/01/2003	///	I
Poland	Centennial Hall in Wrocław	1165 S	31/01/2003	///	I
Portugal	Ilhas Selvagens	1151	29/01/2003	29/01/2003	C
Qatar	Zubara Site	1146	28/01/2003	///	I
Russian Federation	City of Yaroslavl city historical Centre / Rostov Kremlin	1159	31/01/2003	///	I
Russian Federation	Kremlin and Red Square, Moscow (Extension to include the Ensemble of the Novodevichy Convent)	545 Bis	28/01/2002	28/01/2003	C
Russian Federation	Western Caucasus (Extension to include the Teberdinskiy Reserve)	900 Bis	31/01/2003	31/01/2003	C
Saint Lucia	Pitons Management Area	1161	31/01/2003	///	I
Serbia and Montenegro	Decani Monastery ⁶	724	30/01/2003	30/01/2003	C
Slovakia	Primeval Forests of Slovakia	1133	20/01/2003	20/01/2003	C
Slovakia	Slovak Tokay Viticulture and Winemaking Region	1123 S	31/01/2003	///	I
Slovakia	Meadow-Pasture Landscape of Slovakia	1095 S	28/01/2002	20/01/2003	C
South Africa	Vredefort Dome	1162	31/01/2003	///	I
South Africa	Fossil Hominid Sites of Sterkfontein, Swartkrans, Kromdraai, and Environs (to include the Makapan Valley)	915 Bis	31/01/2003	///	I
South Africa	Cape Floral Region of South Africa	1007 Rev	31/01/2003	31/01/2003	C

⁴ A previous nomination, 'Dresden, Cultural and Historic Centre' (C 533) was not recommended by the Bureau and withdrawn by the German authorities in 1990.

⁵ Proposed as the first part of a phased transboundary nomination.

⁶ Recommended for inscription by ICOMOS in 1995 but not presented to the Bureau.

State Party	Property Proposed	Identification Number	Date received by WHC	Date Made Complete	Status
Spain	Works of Antoni Gaudí (prov title) (Extension of Parque Güell, Palacio Güell and Casa Mila in Barcelona)	320 Bis	31/01/2003	///	I
Sweden	Varberg Radio Station	1134	21/01/2003	21/01/2003	C
Tajikistan	Sarazm Settlement	1141	27/01/2003	///	I
Togo	Koutammakou (le pays des Batammariba)	1140	23/01/2003	23/01/2003	C
United Kingdom	Liverpool - Maritime Mercantile City	1150	29/01/2003	29/01/2003	C
United Kingdom	St. Kilda (Hirta) renomination to include cultural values	387 Bis	29/01/2003	29/01/2003	C

III. DRAFT DECISION

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The World Heritage Committee,

1. *Takes note of the list of all nominations received by the World Heritage Centre between 2 February 2002 and 1 February 2003 as presented in document WHC-03/6 EXT.COM/7;*
2. *Decides that the 32 new nominations determined by the World Heritage Centre to be complete by 1 February 2003 be transmitted to the Advisory Bodies for evaluation;*
3. *Requests the World Heritage Centre to assist States Parties with incomplete nominations to make them complete for submission in future years.*
4. *Requests the World Heritage Centre to further develop, for inclusion in the revised Operational Guidelines (see decision 6 EXT. COM 5), an accurate description of the process and guidelines to be used by the World Heritage Centre to determine whether a nomination is complete. This revision should build upon text proposed in Paragraph II.E.1 and Annex VI of the 3rd draft annotated revised Operational Guidelines presented in document WHC-03/6 EXT.COM/INF.5B.*