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Delete paragraph 15 and insertion of new paragraphs at 15 onwards:

15. Noting the Ad Hoc Working Group identified the need for reform of the nomination and evaluation process, and considers this would benefit from further reflection from a panel of experts including Committee members from all regional groups, the World Heritage Centre and Advisory Bodies and others experts, to feed into the work of the Ad Hoc Working Group;

16. Requests in this regard, the World Heritage Centre to organize, by December 2018, a reflection meeting to examine different possibilities for reforming the nomination process and propose recommendations for consideration by the World Heritage Committee in view of increasing the balance and credibility of the World Heritage List, as outlined in document WHC/18/42.COM/12A;

17. Calls upon interested States Parties to contribute extrabudgetary funds towards the organisation of the reflection meeting;

18. Requests the Secretariat to consult with States Parties and other relevant stakeholders of the Convention on the matters addressed in paragraph [14] of this decision, in view of the preparation of the reflection meeting;

19. Further requests the Ad Hoc Working Group review the reflection meeting report and recommendations and submit these together with the advice of the Ad Hoc Working Group, to the 43rd session of the Committee with a view to revising the Operational Guidelines;

20. Recalling the constructive debates and strategic decisions on cross-cutting issues relating to state of conservation of World Heritage Properties under Item 7;

21. Takes note that due to the impact of such discourse on the World Heritage Committee, the World Heritage Centre and the Advisory Bodies, the complexities related to nominations and the nomination process could also benefit from strategic discussions under item 8 as a whole;
22. Also recalls that all its decisions, including those on nominations, should be consistent with the Convention, the Operational Guidelines, and previous decisions of the Committee;

23. Also decides to include in the draft agenda of its 43rd session a general item 8 to allow discussion on the nomination and evaluation cycle.