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AMENDMENT/PROPOSAL

Agenda Item	ITEM 11 Follow-up to Recommendations of Evaluations and Audits on Working Methods and outcomes of the ad-hoc working group
Draft Decision	45 COM 11
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TEXT

The World Heritage Committee,

- 1. Having examined Document WHC/23/45.COM/11,*
- 2. Expresses its appreciation to the Ad-hoc Working Group for its work and recommendations;*
- 3. Endorses the recommendations as presented by the Ad-hoc Working Group;*
- 4. Decides to extend the mandate of the Ad-hoc Working Group, to be composed of members of the Committee and up to two non-members per Electoral Group, giving consideration to out-going members of the Committee in 2023, to:*
 - a) Continue to identify sustainable solutions for financing the nomination process including the Preliminary Assessment;*

b) Explore the option of making Preliminary Assessment a voluntary step for those states parties seeking guidance instead of making it mandatory after 2027 thereby making attempts to reduce its impact on financial resources;

cb) Explore options to improve the geographical balance, with particular reference to capacity building activities;

ed) Explore the possibility of using additional service providers for activities carried out within the Convention, as per Articles 13.7 and 14.2 of the Convention, as well as paragraph 38 of the Operational Guidelines.;

ed) Discuss concrete proposals to enhance the dialogue between States Parties, the World Heritage Centre and the Advisory Bodies in the context of the reactive monitoring process;

fe) Continue dialogue regarding feasible procedures related to Article 11.3 of the World Heritage Convention.

5. Further decides that the Ad-hoc Working Group shall work in consultation with the World Heritage Centre, Advisory Bodies and, as appropriate, relevant stakeholders, and submit its report and recommendations to the 46th session of the Committee.