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Item 8 of the Provisional Agenda : Consideration of technical  
co-operation requests

The Bureau at its second session (Paris, 28 to 30 May 1979) examined the technical co-operation requests received from States Parties and formulated the following recommendations to the Committee thereon :

1. Ecuador (request N° 1.1.)

The Government of Ecuador has requested US \$ 50.000 for the purchase of the necessary equipment to eliminate animals which are foreign to the Galapagos Islands and which are destroying the local flora. The Bureau recommended that the Committee should grant this technical co-operation for the site which is included in the List.

2. Tanzania (request N° 39.I)

The Tanzanian Government has requested the services of an architect-museologist for three weeks in order to draw up a project for the conservation and presentation of the prehistoric sites of Olduvai and Laetolil. The Bureau recommended that the Committee grant this technical co-operation if the property is inscribed on the List.

3. Egypt (request N° 89.I)

The Egyptian Government has requested the services of specialists in cultural heritage (6 m/m) as well as equipment (amounting to a total cost of US \$ 30.000) to draw up a project for the restoration and development of the old Islamic Centre of Cairo. The Bureau recommends that the Committee accept this request if the property is entered on the List.

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4. Ethiopia (request N° 18.I)

The Ethiopian Government has requested technical co-operation for the purpose of carrying out a photogrammetric survey of the monuments of Lalibela (at an estimated cost of US \$ 144.500). The representative of ICCROM recognized that a photogrammetric survey would be useful but considered that such a project should not be afforded priority over other conservation measures or the training of Ethiopian technicians and, in particular, over the preparation of a long-term maintenance plan for the monuments. In view of this opinion, the Bureau - while generally in favour of technical co-operation for the preservation of the Lalibela monuments - considered it advisable to defer its recommendation.

5. Ethiopia (requests N° III.I and II2.I)

The Ethiopian Government has requested the services of two experts (36 m/m) and equipment for two natural sites in order to systematically investigate these parks and to consider the possibility of reinstalling elsewhere the population living there. The Bureau decided to defer its recommendation until the nominations to the World Heritage List, which had been received very late and were incomplete, had been re-examined.

6. Syrian Arab Republic (requests N° 20.I, 21.I, 22.I, 23.I)

The Syrian Government has requested equipment (cranes, lorries, jeeps, etc ...) for the restoration of Damascus (20.I), Aleppo (21.I), Bosra (22.I) and Palmyre (23.I). However, since the additional information requested had not been received and only the site of Damascus had been recommended for inscription on the List, the Bureau preferred to defer its decision until the information required had been received.