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Item 5 of the Provisional Agenda: Requests for technical cooperation

A. Requests on which the Bureau deferred its recommendation

Algeria (requests no. 101.1, 102.1, 103.1)

The Algerian authorities submitted requests for assistance in connection with the preservation of the Dey's Palace, the Citadel Quarter of Setif and the Qal'ah of Beni Hammad. The first two requests had not been considered at the Fourth Session of the Bureau as the sites concerned had not been recommended for inclusion in the World Heritage List. Concerning the request for Qal'ah of Beni Hammad, further clarification of the work involved was deemed necessary. The Algerian authorities had submitted a request for one month's preparatory assistance mission for drawing up a detailed request for technical cooperation which was approved by the Chairman of the World Heritage Committee on 22 December 1980. The consultant will undertake this preparatory assistance mission in July 1981.

Ethiopia (requests no. 111.1, 112.1)

The Ethiopian authorities will submit revised technical cooperation requests for these two sites and a technical cooperation request for Simen National Park as a result of the preparatory assistance mission ending April 1981. It is hoped that these requests will be received in time for presentation to the Bureau.

Syrian Arab Republic (requests no. 20.1, 21.1, 22.1, 23.1)

The Syrian government had requested equipment (cranes, lorries, jeeps, etc.) in connection with conservation work in Damascus, Bosra, Palmyra and Aleppo. The request for Aleppo was not considered at the Fourth Session of the Bureau as this site had not been recommended for inclusion in the world Heritage List. The Bureau had recommended to defer the other requests as further clarifications were necessary. The Syrian authorities have submitted a revised technical cooperation request (No. 20.1 revised) for equipment and financial assistance for the City of Damascus amounting to \$120,000, which is submitted to the Bureau for consideration.

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B. New requests received by 1 January 1981

Guinea (request no. 155.1)

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The Guinean authorities have requested equipment amounting to \$48,510 which will be used to obtain basic scientific data for improving the conservation measures for Nimba Strict Nature Reserve, which is nominated for inclusion in the World Heritage List. This request is submitted to the Bureau for consideration.

Malta (request no. 130.1)

The Maltese authorities have requested equipment and one month's consultant mission of an air-conditioning engineer for the preservation of Hal Saflieni Hypogeum for a total amount of \$9,000. This request is submitted to the Bureau for consideration.

Malta (request no. 131.1/132.1)

The Maltese authorities have requested a two-week consultant mission to advise on setting up a stone research and conservation unit at the University of Malta necessary for the preservation of the site of Ggantija and Valetta, at a cost of \$3,250. This request is submitted to the Bureau for consideration.

Poland (request no. 29.1)

The Polish authorities have requested equipment for the safeguarding of Cracow's Historic Centre amounting to \$75,000. This request is submitted to the Bureau for consideration.

C. Requests for Emergency Assistance

Pakistan (requests no. 171.3 and 172.3)

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The Pakistan authorities have submitted two requests for emergency assistance for Lahore Fort and Shalimar Gardens amounting respectively to \$44,000 and \$12,000. The Chairman asked that these requests be submitted to the Bureau for consideration at the same time as the nominations of these two sites.

*Tunisia (request submitted during Bureau meeting)
\$75,000 approved.
for restoration work Palais des Haddad
(Medina of Tunis)*