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THE WORLD CULTURAL AND NATURAL HERITAGE

World Heritage Committee

Seventh Ordinary Session

Florence, Italy, 5-9 December 1983

INFORMATION NOTE

1. Place of the meeting

The seventh ordinary session of the World Heritage Committee will be held at the Villa Poggio a Caiano in the village of Poggio a Caiano, 18 km from Florence, Italy.

2. Travel arrangements

Participants are requested to make their own travel arrangements through their local travel agent.

A. Air travel:

The nearest international airports to Florence are Rome and Milan. According to the hour at which participants arrive, it is suggested that they organise connections either by air from Rome or Milan to Pisa (and thereafter by train from Pisa) (see AI) or by train (see AII).

AI. Domestic air travel: Every day from Monday to Sunday

Rome	BM 430	09.05	BQ 970	19.30		
Pisa		09.50		20.15		
Pisa	BQ 971	08.50	BM 431	19.15		
Rome		09.40		20.05		
Milan	BM 118	12.00	BM 431	17.50	BQ 960	19.50
Pisa		12.45		18.35		20.35
Pisa	BQ 961	09.20	BM 430	10.30	BM1143	17.45
Milan		10.05		11.15		18.30

The connecting train from Pisa to Florence S.M.N. (main station Santa Maria Novella) leaves from the railway station located within Pisa airport. The timetable is as follows:

Pisa	08.50	11.20	13.00	14.40	17.45	20.05	21.55
Florence	09.50	12.20	14.00	15.40	18.45	21.05	22.55
Florence	07.00	09.37	11.08	16.00	17.00	19.20	
Pisa	08.00	10.37	12.08	17.00	18.00	20.20	

AII. Train connections from Milan and Rome

Trains from Milan central station and Rome central station (Rome Termini) for Florence S.M.N. (Santa Maria Novella) leave approximately every 45 minutes. There is no need to make reservations in advance.

B. International transport by train:

Most European capital cities have direct daily trains to Florence, Pisa and Milan. For those participants travelling from Paris, there are direct night trains to Florence every evening from Paris-Lyon. Reservations should be made in advance.

Paris-Lyon	TR 223	19.32	Florence S.M.N.	TR 412	17.20
Florence S.M.N.		08.42	Paris-Lyon		08.31

Other information on travel arrangements to and from Florence can be obtained at most travel agents, and locally from:

"Arno" S.N.C. Travel Agency
Piazza Ottaviani, 7 r.
PO Box 457
FLORENCE 50123
Italy

Tel.: (055) 29.52.51-52
Telex: 570630
Cables: TRAVARNO

3. Passports and visas

Nationals from most countries do not require an entry visa and need possess only a valid passport. For full details, participants are requested to contact the Italian Consulate in their country.

4. Health

No vaccinations are required to enter Italy from any country.

5. Accommodation

It is suggested that participants make their hotel reservations at one of the following hotels, for which a certain number of rooms have been set aside for the duration of the meeting.

	<u>Cost including taxes and Service charges</u>
- First class hotel "Kraft" Via Solferino No. 2 Tel. (055) 284273 Telex : 571523	Single room with bath and breakfast : 70,000 It. L. per day per person. Twin bedded room with bath and breakfast : 45,000 It. L. per day per person.
- Second class hotel "Milano Terminus" Via Cerretani 10 Tel. (055) 283372 Telex : none	Single room with bath and breakfast : 50,000 It. L. per day per person. Twin bedded room with bath and breakfast : 40.000 It. L. per day per person.
- Third class hotel "Porta Rossa" Via Porta Rossa 19 Tel. (055) 28.75.51 Telex : 570007	Single room with bath and breakfast : 30.000 It. L. per day per person. Twin bedded room with bath and breakfast : 22.000 It. L. per day per person.

Participants are urged to make their hotel reservations as soon as possible by telex or in writing, referring to the World Heritage Committee meeting and indicating the hotel preferred, the type of room requested and the exact arrival and departure dates to the Arno travel agency (see 2B). "Arno Travel" will do its utmost to assign a room as indicated. However, it will not confirm reservations and reserves the right to book a room in an equivalent category of hotel if the hotel requested is fully booked. No guarantee of reservations can be given for telexed information received after 1st December 1983.

6. Travel to/from Villa Poggio a Caiano

A coach will pick up participants from their hotel every morning during the meeting and take them to the Villa Poggio a Caiano (about 30 mn). The hour of departure of the coach from the hotels listed above will be indicated at the hotel upon arrival. The coach will also return participants to their hotel after the meeting each evening.

Participants who are lodging privately or in other hotels are requested to contact the hotel mentioned above which is the closest to their place of stay in order to take the coach at the appropriate time.

During the meeting itself, participants may lunch at the restaurants such as the Hotel Hermitage which are within walking distance from the Villa Poggio a Caiano, or they may make their own travel arrangements to return to Florence.

Participants can also hire a car if they so wish for the duration of the meeting.

7. Social events

A certain number of social events will be organised during the meeting, to which all participants and their accompanying persons are invited. More information will be available upon arrival. These events include :

- Buffet lunch at the Villa Poggio a Caiano - Monday 5 December ;
- Reception at the Chartreuse de Galuzzo - Tuesday 6 December at 20.30 offered by the Province of Tuscany ;
- Banquet at the Villa Poggio a Caiano - Friday 9 December at 20.30 offered by the Mayor of Poggio a Caiano.
- One day excursion to the Medici Villas in the region of Florence - All day Saturday 10 December.

8. Registration

Participants can register as from 9.00 on Monday 5 December at the reception in the Villa Poggio a Caiano.

9. Opening of the meeting

The meeting will open on Monday 5 December at 10.00. It is proposed that the working hours for the meeting be 10.00-13.00 and 15.00-18.00.

10. Working languages

There will be simultaneous translation in English and French during the meeting. The main working documents will be available in both English and French.

11. Secretariat

The Unesco Secretariat will be responsible for drawing up and distributing all the working documents for the meeting. The names of the members of the Secretariat will be available at the beginning of the meeting.

12. Postal services and telephone

It is suggested that participants use the postal and telephone facilities of their hotels.

13. Messages and incoming mail

It is suggested that messages and incoming mail be addressed directly to the participants' hotel. In case of emergency, participants can be reached in the meeting room at the Villa Poggio a Caiano at telephone n° 055 (Florence) 87.70.12.

14. Tipping

A 10 % tip is normal in hotels and restaurants.

15. Banking and shopping hours

Banks are open from 8.30 to 13.30 (Monday to Friday) and shopping hours are generally 9.00 to 13.00 and about 15.30 to 19.30 from Monday to Saturday.

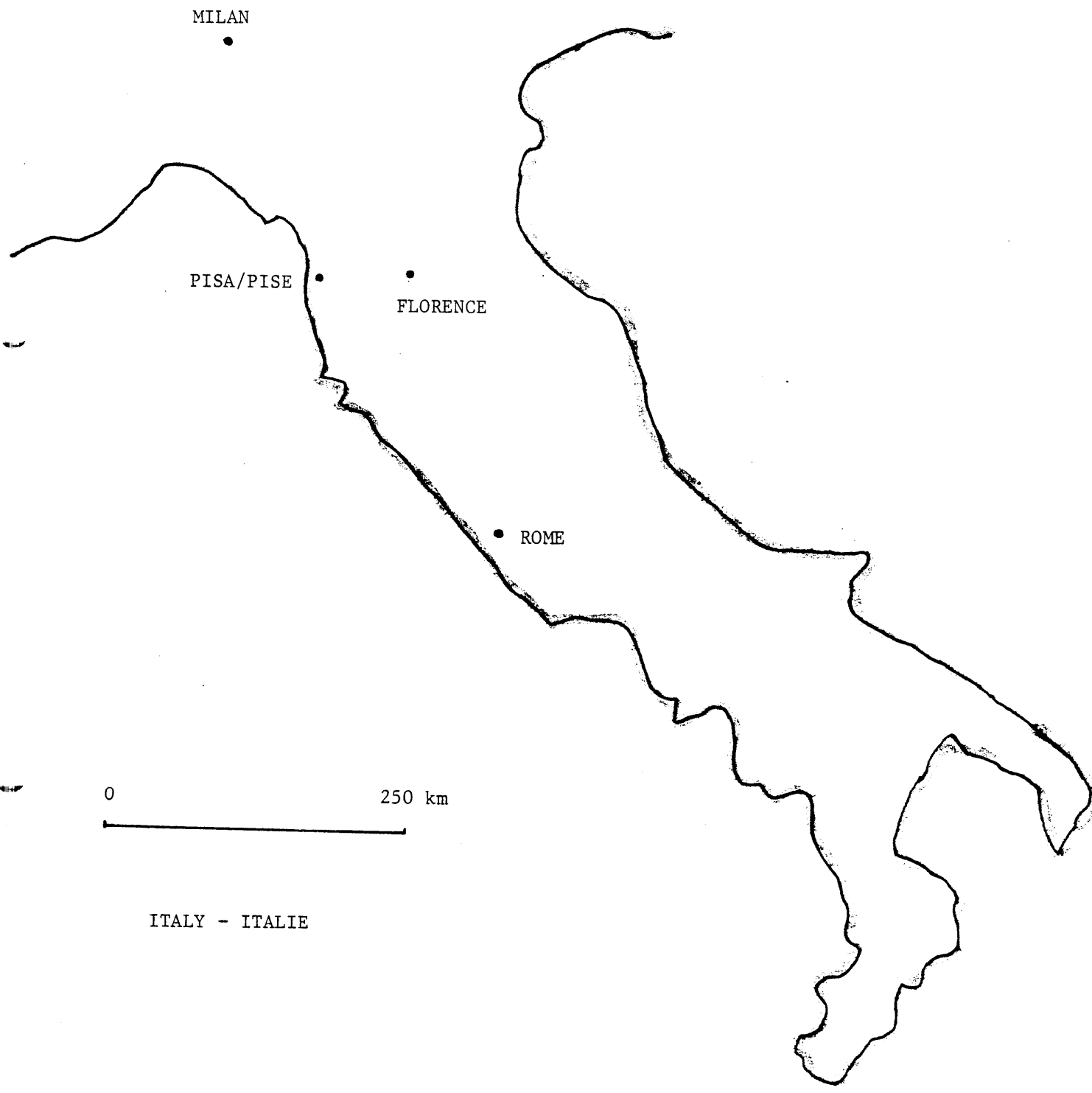
16. Weather

The weather in Florence is cool and likely to be rainy.

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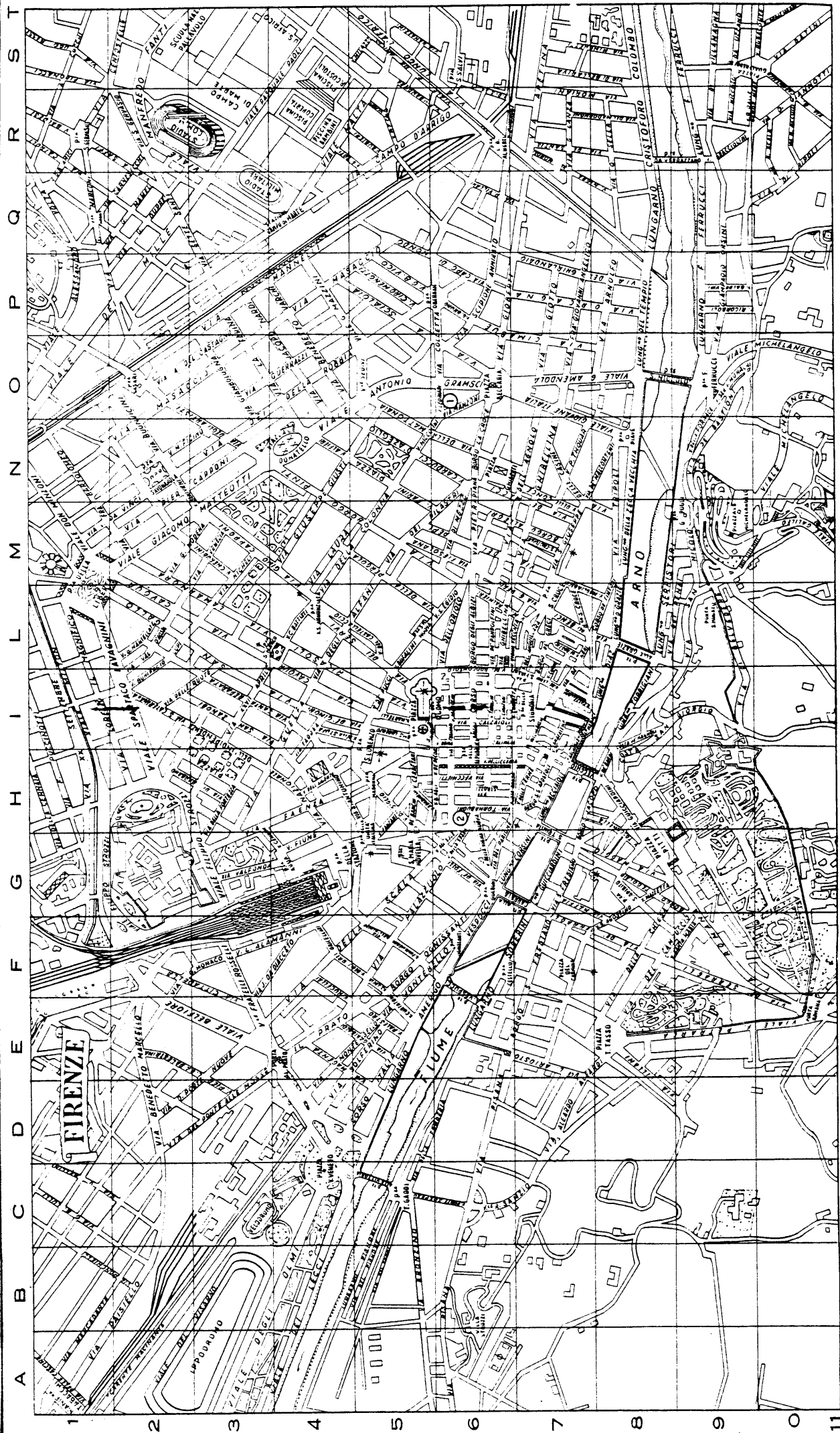
Map 1: Italy showing Rome, Florence, Pisa, Milan.

Map 2: Town centre



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