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Item 5 of the Provisional Agenda: Review of nominations to the World Heritage List

A. Nominations deferred by the Committee and for which additional information is available

<u>Id. No.</u>	<u>Name of Property</u>	<u>Contracting State having submitted the nomination of the property (in accordance with Article 11 of the Convention)</u>
106	National Archaeological Park of Guayabo de Turrialba	Costa Rica
240	Khajuraho group of monuments	India
241	Group of monuments at Hampi	"

B. New Nominations to be reviewed by the Bureau

288	The Castles of Augustusburg and Falkenlust at Brühl	Germany (Fed. Rep. of)
291	Ruins of the Jesuit Missions of the Guaranis	Argentina
303	Iguazu National Park	"
321	The Historic Mosque City of Bagerhat	Bangladesh
322	Ruins of the Buddhist Vihara at Paharpur	"
309	Historic Centre of the City of Salvador	Brazil
300	Historic area of the City of Quebec	Canada
304	Canadian Rockies	"
285	Fort, fortresses and group of monuments, Cartagena	Colombia

B. New nominations to be reviewed by the Bureau (cont'd)

313	The Mosque of Córdoba	Spain
314	The Alhambra and the Generalife, Granada	"
316	The Cathedral, Burgos	"
318	Monastery and site of the Escorial, Madrid	"
320	Architectural works of Gaudí (Parque Güell, Palacio Güell, Casa Milá), Barcelona	"
307	The Statue of Liberty	United States of America
308	Yosemite National Park	"
246	The Sun Temple, Konarak	India
249	Group of Monuments at Mahabalipuram	"
255	Fatehpur Sikri Group of Monuments	"
287	Prehistoric Rock-Art Sites of Tadrart Acacus	Libyan Arab Jamahiriya
301	Archaeological Site of the City of Ptolemais	"
293	Anjar	Lebanon
294	Baalbek	"
295	Byblos	"
296	Deir el-Qamar and Beit Ed-Dine	"
297	Sidon	"
298	Tripoli	"
299	Tyre	"
289	Lake Malawi National Park	Malawi
290	Nyika National Park	"
284	Royal Chitwan National Park	Nepal
176 Add.	Rani Kot Fort (Kirthar National Park)	Pakistan
305	Serra da Arrabida Nature Park	Portugal
286	Vatican City	Holy See
280	Salonga National Park	Zaire
281	Maiko National Park	"
282	Upemba National Park	"
283	Kundelungu National Park	"
302	Mana Pools National Park, Sapi and Chewore Safari Areas	Zimbabwe
306	The Matobo Hills	"

THE WORLD HERITAGE CONVENTION

IUCN NOMINATION SUMMARIES AND TECHNICAL REVIEW
MARCH 19841. INTRODUCTION

This Technical Review of natural sites nominated for inclusion on the World Heritage List has been conducted by the Commission on National Parks and Protected Areas (CNPPA) of the International Union for Conservation of Nature and Natural Resources (IUCN). CNPPA is the leading international scientific and technical organization dealing with the selection, establishment, and management of national parks and other protected natural areas. It is responsible for the part of the IUCN Programme which promotes the establishment of a worldwide network of effectively managed terrestrial and marine reserves.

The CNPPA membership network now totals over 260 professional managers of protected areas systems from 90 countries, academic specialists in land-use planning, wildlife management, resource economics, and other related fields, and top officials from relevant non-governmental organizations. It is this network which provides the intellectual resource for conducting the IUCN Technical Review. In addition, CNPPA has been able to call on experts from IUCN's other five Commissions, (Law, Education, Ecology, Environmental Planning, and Species Survival).

2. FORMAT

In response to a request from the Unesco World Heritage Secretariat, IUCN has prepared a new format for documentation and presentation of Technical Reviews. First, a summary of the original nomination including supplementary information, is presented. Second, the evaluation and recommendations are presented. Third, data sheets for the nomination are provided from the information held at IUCN's Protected Area Data Unit (to be presented at the Committee meeting).

3. SITES REVIEWED

Thirteen sites were reviewed:

- a) Iguazu National Park (303) Argentina
- b) Canadian Rockies (304) Canada
- c) Lake Malawi National Park (289) Malawi
- d) Nyika National Park (290) Malawi
- e) Royal Chitwan National Park (284) Nepal
- f) Parc naturel Serra da Arrabida (305) Portugal
- g) Yosemite National Park (308) USA
- h) Salonga National Park (280) Zaire
- i) Maiko National Park (281) Zaire
- j) Upemba National Park (282) Zaire
- k) Kundelunga National Park (283) Zaire
- l) Mana Pools National Park, Sapi and Chewore Safari Areas (302) Zimbabwe
- m) Maboto Hills (306) Zimbabwe.

4. REVIEW PROCESS

In carrying out the Technical Review, CNPPA is guided by Article 2 of the Convention and section 'D' of the Operational Guidelines (January 1984). Data sources for the review include the nomination itself, IUCN data sheets and project files, relevant literature, and evaluations by CNPPA members from the region. In some cases, missions can be sent to evaluate a site on the ground.

In the 1984 evaluations, more use of the Biogeographic Province concept is used as the most appropriate method for comparison of nominations with other similar sites. This method makes comparisons of natural sites relatively more objective as a practical means of assessing similarity. At the same time, World Heritage sites are expected to contain special features, habitats and faunistic or floristic peculiarities that can also be compared on a broader biome basis.

It is stressed that the Biogeographical Province concept is used as a basis for comparison only and does not imply that World Heritage Sites are to be selected on this criteria. World Heritage Sites are seen as the most universally outstanding areas and their selection is not made on the basis of biogeographic representativeness as are other protected area categories such as biosphere reserves.

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