

UNITED NATIONS EDUCATIONAL,  
SCIENTIFIC AND CULTURAL ORGANIZATION

CONVENTION CONCERNING THE PROTECTION OF THE WORLD CULTURAL  
AND NATURAL HERITAGE

WORLD HERITAGE COMMITTEE  
Twelfth Session  
Brasilia (Brazil), 5 - 9 December 1988

INFORMATION NOTE

1. Place of the meeting

The twelfth session of the World Heritage Committee will be held at:

Auditorium of Itamaraty Palace  
Ministerio das Relações Exteriores  
(Ministry of Foreign Affairs)  
Esplanada dos Ministerios,  
Brasilia,  
Brazil, CEP 70.170

2. Travel arrangements

International companies have return flights to Rio de Janeiro, with connections to Brasilia. These flights can be organised by any travel agency.

3. Passports and visas

All participants should inquire at the Brazilian Consulate or the Consular Department of the Brazilian Embassy whether they require, according to their nationality, visas and vaccinations for Brazil. Travel agencies and international air companies can also provide information in this respect. For further information, contact the Consulate General, 122 Avenue des Champs Elysées, 75008 Paris, France, Tel. 43.59.89.30; or else the Consulate or Embassy in the country concerned.

4. Accommodation

Sufficient hotel accommodation will be available during the week of the Twelfth Session of the World Heritage Committee. Hotels are all located in the "Setor Hoteleiro". Participants are advised to make their hotel reservations through their Embassy in Brasilia. It is proposed that participants make reservations at the Hotel Carlton, which is of international standards, Price US\$60-\$70, telex (61) 1981, telephone 224.88.19.

The person in charge of the local organization of the meeting in Brasilia is :

Mr. Francisco Alvim  
Divisão de Cooperação Intelectual  
Ministério das Relações Exteriores  
Brasilia, D.F.  
Telephone: (55.61) 211.63.17

Hotel accommodation and restaurants are of relatively moderate price.

Attached is a plan of the center of Brasilia, indicating the hotel sectors and the location of the meeting site, the Palacio Itamaraty.

5. **Registration**

Registration of participants will begin at 10.00 a.m. on Monday 5 December 1988 at the reception of the Auditorium of the Itamaraty Palace.

6. **Opening session and working sessions**

The opening session will begin at 11.30 a.m. on Monday 5 December 1988, in the Auditorium. Thereafter it is proposed that the sessions will be held in the same room starting at 10.00 to 13.00, and from 15.00 to 18.00. Two rooms, each for 25 people (rooms A and B) located next to the Auditorium, can be used for working groups.

7. **Languages**

Simultaneous interpretation will be provided in French and English during the meeting. Working documents will be made available in both languages.

8. **Secretariat**

The Unesco Secretariat will be responsible for the preparation and distribution of all documents for the meeting.

9. **Mail**

Participants should have their mail sent to them at their hotels or Embassies in Brasilia.

10. **Lunch**

Restaurants are located at 10 minutes car drive from the Itamaraty Palace; there are also restaurants in all the hotels. Brasilia is a city where travelling by car is easy but where walking distances are great.

11. **Post Office**

Post Office facilities are available in the building "Anexo I" of the Itamaraty Palace. Participants are also advised to make use of the postal services offered by hotels.

12. **Information, messages**

Two receptionists will be available during the period of the meeting to provide participants with information about meeting arrangements and to assist with messages.

13. **Local transportation**

Taxis may be ordered by telephone (Brasilia Radio Taxi: 223.34.45 and 223.30.60). The driver should be directed to:<sup>\*</sup>"Itamaraty Palace, entrance opposite the Ministry of Health". Hotels can advise on suitable buses or other city transport facilities.

\* Palacio do Itamaraty, em frente do Ministerio da Saúde.

14. **Tipping**

A 10% tip is usually included in bars and restaurants. Hotel porters expect to be tipped. Taxi drivers are not usually tipped.

15. **Banks**

Money can be exchanged at the Brasilia International Airport (the Banco do Brasil is open from 10 h to 15 h 30 and 18 h to 21 h, Monday to Friday). The Banco do Brasil also has an agency in the Southern Banking Sector; the Banco Francês e Brasileiro has one in Avenida W3 Sul, Quadra 506, and the Bank of London and South America in the same Avenue, same Quadra. Banks are open from 10 h to 16 h, Monday to Friday. Some hotels accept changing money.

16. **Shopping**

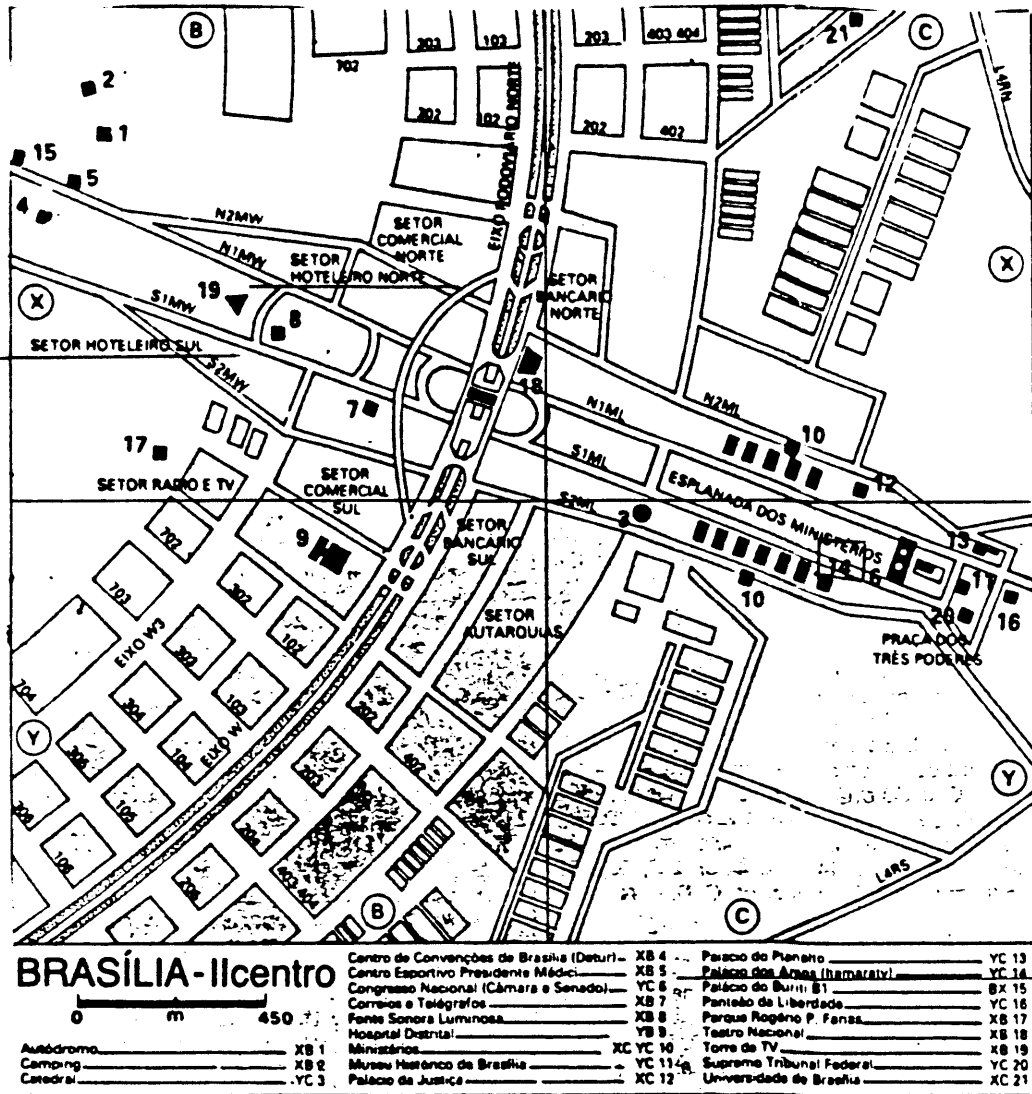
Shops are open from 9 h to 19 h Monday to Saturday. In the shopping Centres "Conunto Nacional" in the town centre, and "Parkshopping" at the edge of the town, opening hours are 10 - 22 h, Monday to Saturday.

17. **Post meeting excursions**

Excursions can be organised by travel agents (which have offices in the main hotels) or by the Brazilian air companies. The sites inscribed on the World Heritage List can be easily visited: Olinda, Salvador, Ouro Preto and Congonhas do Campo, Iguazu National Park, Jesuit missions at Sao Miguel. Excursions in Amazonia can also be easily arranged: Manaus, the touristic centre of Amazonia is only 2 h 50 flight from Brasilia. Sao Paulo and Rio de Janeiro, the two largest cities of Brazil, are the main points of arrival and departure.

18. **Clothing**

December is a summer month in Brazil. It is also the rainy season. In Brasilia the temperature normally varies between 30# maximum and 20# minimum. Light clothes and umbrellas are advised.



Meeting Site - Palacio Itamaraty - Section YC 14 on the plan

Hotel Sectors - Section BX on the plan