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Addendum

Point 26 de l'ordre du jour : Adoption des Décisions

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Addendum

14. ESTABLISHMENT OF THE WORLD HERITAGE LIST AND THE LIST OF WORLD HERITAGE IN DANGER

ETABLISSEMENT DE LA LISTE DU PATRIMOINE MONDIAL ET DE LA LISTE DU PATRIMOINE MONDIAL EN PERIL

14B. Nominations of properties to the World Heritage List

Inscriptions de biens sur la Liste du patrimoine mondial

Documents:

WHC-04/28.COM/INF. 14B

WHC-04/28.COM/14B Rev.

WHC-04/28.COM/14B Add.

WHC-04/28.COM/INF. 14B Corr.

Property	Ensemble of the Novodevichy Convent
Id. N°	C 1097
State Party	Russian Federation
Criteria proposed	C (i) (iv) (vi)

ICOMOS presented the evaluation of the nomination of the Ensemble of the Novodevichy Convent in the Russian Federation and recommended inscription under criteria (i), (iv) and (vi).

The Delegations of **China, Lithuania, Oman, India, Egypt, Colombia, Kuwait** and **Benin** supported the inscription of this property.

The **Chairperson** then declared the Novodevichy Convent inscribed on the World Heritage List (Decision **28 COM 14B.46**)

La Délégation de la **Fédération de Russie** remercie le Comité pour cette décision. Elle souligne la solennité du moment et invite cordialement les membres du Comité à visiter le site.

19. PROGRESS REPORT ON THE GLOBAL TRAINING STRATEGY

ETAT D'AVANCEMENT DE LA STRATEGIE GLOBALE DE FORMATION

Document:

WHC-04/28.COM/INF.19B

The **Chairperson** explained that the item had been reduced in its scope due to time constraints. The only subject discussed would be the proposal to establish a World Heritage Training and Research Institute in China, presented by the Chinese authorities and included in document *WHC-04/28.COM/INF.19B*.

The **Secretariat** informed the Committee that the proposal had been the subject of some consultation among the Chinese authorities, the World Heritage Centre and the Advisory Bodies during an informal meeting prior to the Committee's session. The aim of the proposal was to seize the momentum created by the organization of the World Heritage Committee session to launch an initiative that might support the development of capacity in the implementation of the *World Heritage Convention* at national and possibly regional level. It was also in line with one of the Strategic Objectives set by the Committee, namely, capacity-building.

The Delegation of **Egypt** commended the Chinese authorities on their decision to establish a World Heritage training institute, thus setting an excellent example for other regions. It asked where the institute would be located.

The Delegation of **China** said that it would be established in Suzhou and that the Director-General of UNESCO had already inaugurated its premises.

The Delegation of **Japan** congratulated China on its initiative, which was most welcome, and said that it looked forward to seeing it further developed.

La délégation du **Bénin** appuie l'initiative et félicite la Chine. Elle dit qu'il existe en Afrique un certain nombre d'institutions similaires, telles que l'Ecole du patrimoine africain (EPA) au Bénin, et le Programme for Museum Development in Africa (PMDA) au Kenya, qui pourraient bénéficier d'une aide internationale afin de rééquilibrer la Liste.

The Delegations of **Colombia, Nigeria, Oman, the Netherlands** and **Norway** expressed their strong support for the proposal and commended the Chinese authorities on its initiative.

The Delegation of **Saint Lucia**, together with the Delegations of **Portugal** and the **United Kingdom**,

associated itself with the previous speakers in supporting the proposal, and suggested that the Committee might invite the Chinese authorities to provide a report on the development of the initiative at the 7th extraordinary session of the Committee in December 2004, rather than at its 29th ordinary session in June/July 2005, as initially proposed in the Draft Decision. It would have been useful to have more details on the implications of the proposal, including with respect to the budget of the World Heritage Fund. It should be possible to gather such information by December.

ICCROM reminded the Committee that the establishment of a training institution was not just a good idea - it responded to the letter of the *World Heritage Convention*, which, in its Article 5, paragraph (e), invited States Parties to "foster the establishment of national/regional centres for training in the protection, conservation and presentation of the cultural and natural heritage".

The Committee adopted the decision by acclamation (**28 COM 19.2**).