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WORLD CULTURAL AND NATURAL HERITAGE**

BUREAU OF THE WORLD HERITAGE COMMITTEE

**Twenty-first session
UNESCO Headquarters, Paris, Room X (Fontenoy)**

23 - 28 June 1997

**Item 9 of the Provisional Agenda : Information on the
preparation of the Eleventh General Assembly of States Parties
(October 1997)**

SUMMARY

This document provides information on the preparation of the Eleventh General Assembly of States Parties to the World Heritage Convention which will take place at UNESCO, Headquarters, on 27 and 28 October 1997.

1. Place and date of the Eleventh General Assembly of States Parties to the World Heritage Convention

In accordance with Articles 8 and 16 of the World Heritage Convention, the Eleventh General Assembly of States Parties will take place on 27 and 28 October 1997, during the 29th ordinary session of the General Conference of the United Nations Educational, Scientific and Cultural Organization which is scheduled from 21 October to 12 November 1997.

2. Provisional Agenda

The Provisional Agenda is attached (Annex I). It should be noted that in accordance with the decision of the tenth General Assembly of States Parties to the World Heritage Convention, monitoring and reporting on the state of conservation of properties inscribed on the World Heritage List is included in the Provisional Agenda (item 8).

The World Heritage Committee adopted at its 20th session held in Mérida, Mexico, from 2 to 7 December 1996, the working document for this Agenda item (see Annex III.1 of the report of the Committee).

3. Extraordinary session of the World Heritage Committee

The World Heritage Committee also decided at its 20th session, to modify Article 12.1 of the Rules of Procedure of the World Heritage Committee, as follows:

« The Committee, at the beginning of each ordinary session, shall elect a Chairman, five Vice-Chairmen and a Rapporteur, who shall remain in office until the beginning of the next ordinary session. When its December session precedes the year when the General Assembly will be held, the Committee will decide to meet very briefly in an extraordinary session at the end of the General Assembly in order to elect its new Bureau, so that this Bureau can meet the following month, prior to the Committee, in all legality ».

Consequently, an extraordinary session of the World Heritage Committee will be held on the 29 October 1997.

Annex I

**PROVISIONAL AGENDA OF THE ELEVENTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
OF STATES PARTIES TO THE CONVENTION CONCERNING THE PROTECTION
OF THE WORLD CULTURAL AND NATURAL HERITAGE**

1. Opening of the General Assembly by the Director-General or his representative
2. Election of the Chairperson
3. Adoption of the Agenda
4. Election of the Vice-Chairpersons and Rapporteur
5. Report of the Chairperson of the World Heritage Committee
6. Examination of the statement of accounts of the World Heritage Fund
7. Determination of the amount of the contributions to the World Heritage Fund in accordance with the provisions of Article 16 of the Convention
8. Monitoring and reporting on the state of conservation of properties inscribed on the World Heritage List
9. Elections to the World Heritage Committee
10. Other business