

**INTERGOVERNMENTAL COMMITTEE ON INTELLECTUAL
PROPERTY AND GENETIC RESOURCES, TRADITIONAL
KNOWLEDGE AND FOLKLORE**

Nineteenth Session
July 18 to 22, 2011, Geneva

**VOLUNTARY FUND FOR ACCREDITED INDIGENOUS AND LOCAL
COMMUNITIES DECISIONS TAKEN BY THE DIRECTOR GENERAL IN
ACCORDANCE WITH THE RECOMMENDATION ADOPTED BY THE
ADVISORY BOARD**

Information Note prepared by the Director General

1. The arrangements establishing the WIPO Voluntary Fund ("the Fund"), as approved by the General Assembly, are contained in the Annex to Document WO/GA/39/11. Article 6(i) of the Decision states:

"The Advisory Board will adopt its recommendation before the end of the Committee session on the margins of which it meets. This recommendation will identify:

 - (i) the subsequent Committee session and, should the case arise, the IWG meeting(s) intended for financial support (i.e., the subsequent session of the Committee),
 - (ii) the applicants whom the Advisory Board agrees should be supported for that session and/or the IWG meeting(s), for whom funds are available,
 - (iii) any applicant or applicants whom the Advisory Board agrees should be supported in principle but for whom insufficient funds are available,
 - (iv) any applicant or applicants whose application has been rejected in accordance with the procedure in Article 10,
 - (v) any applicant or applicants whose application has been postponed until the next session of the Committee in accordance with the procedure in Article 10.

The Advisory Board will immediately forward the contents of the recommendation to the Director General who will take a decision in accordance with the recommendation. The Director General will inform the Committee immediately and, in any case, prior to the end of its current session, by means of an information note specifying the decision taken concerning each applicant."
2. Accordingly, the Secretariat wishes to communicate the report and recommendations adopted by the Advisory Board at the conclusion of its meeting held on the margins of the nineteenth session of the Committee. This Report is attached in the Annex.
3. The Committee is advised that in accordance with Article 6(d) of the Annex to document WO/GA/39/11 as approved by the General Assembly (39nd session), and in view of recommendations 1, 2, 3, 4 (iii) and 4 (iv) adopted by the Advisory Board, the Director General has adopted the decisions recommended by the Advisory Board.
4. In accordance with Article 6(d) and Article 5(a) of the Decision and in view of recommendations 4 (i) and 4 (ii) as adopted by the Advisory Board, the Director General will take the decision to fund those candidates who have been recommended in principle by the Advisory Board if and when sufficient funds become available in the Fund, in time before the next session of the Committee or the Intersessional Working Group.
5. The Director General has taken due note of the remaining contents of the report of the Advisory Board.

[Annex follows]

ANNEX
WIPO VOLUNTARY FUND
ADVISORY BOARD
REPORT

1. The Advisory Board of the WIPO Voluntary Fund, whose members were appointed by decision of the Intergovernmental Committee on Intellectual Property and Genetic Resources, Traditional Knowledge and Folklore (“the Committee”) during its nineteenth session and whose names appear at the end of this report, held its eleventh meeting from July 18 to 22, 2011, under the chairmanship of Mr. Vladimir YOSSFIOV, member *ex officio*, on the margins of the nineteenth session of the Committee.
2. The members of the Advisory Board met in accordance with Articles 7 and 9 of the Annex to document WO/GA/39/11. Ms. Debra HARRY and Mr. Ngwang Sonam SHERPA, appointed members of the Advisory Board, did not participate in the deliberations and abstained from voting on their respective applications for support by the Fund, in accordance with Article 11 of the said Annex.
3. Recalling Article 5(a) of the Annex to document WO/GA/39/11, the Advisory Board took note of the financial situation of the Fund as described in the Information Note WIPO/GRTKF/IC/19/INF/4 dated July 8, 2011, which was distributed before the opening of the nineteenth session of the Committee and which specifies that the amount available in the Fund minus the previously committed amount was 3.039.47 Swiss francs on the same date.
4. Accordingly, the Advisory Board adopted the following recommendations based on the consideration of the list of twenty-eight applicants from six geo-cultural regions as it appears in the Information Note WIPO/GRTKF/IC/19/INF/4 as well as of the content of the applications of those applicants, and in accordance with Article 6 (i) of the Annex to document WO/GA/39/11:
 - (i) future session intended for financial support in accordance with Article 5(e): next session of the Committee or the Intersessional Working Group.
 - (ii) applicants whom the Advisory Board agrees should be supported in principle for that session but for whom sufficient funds are currently unavailable: (six applicants, in order of priority)

Ms. Lucia Fernanda INACIO BELFORT

Ms. Saoudata Walet ABOUBACRINE

Ms. Debra HARRY

Mr. Rodion SULTYANDZIGA

Mr. Ngwang SONAM SHERPA

Ms. Tarisi VUNDILO

(iii) applicants whose application has been postponed for further consideration by the Advisory Board until the next session of the Committee: (in alphabetical order)

Mr. Nadir BEKIROV

Mr. Estebancio CASTRO DIAZ

Ms. Edna Maria DA COSTA E SILVA

Mr. Albert DETERVILLE
Mr. Joseph O. OGIERIAKHI
Ms. Nadejda PECHENINA
Ms. Nongpoklai SINHA
Mr. Santos TZORIN JULAJUJ

(iv) applicants whose applications have been rejected: (in alphabetical order)

Mr. Babagana ABUBAKAR
Ms. Mary ACOSTA PINILLA
Mr. Siddhartha Priya ASHOK
Mr. Francisco CARPINTERO CORTEZ
Mr. Francis GICHURU
Ms. Fawsia Yousif GLALELDIN
Ms. Cynthia Nemayian MUTARIN
Ms. Elena NECHUSHKINA
Mr. Santiago OBISPO
Mr. El Mostafa OUAZIZ
Mr. Charles SALIL KIPLANGAT
Mr. Lakshmikanta SINGH
Mr. Miguel Antonio VALBUENA GUAURIYU
Ms. Zonia Estela ZACARIAS CITALAN

The content of the present report and the recommendations it contains will be forwarded to the Director General of WIPO following its adoption by the members of the Advisory Board in accordance with Article 6(i) last paragraph of the Annex to document WIPO/GA/39/11.

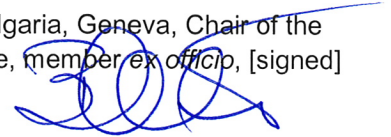
5. The Advisory Board wishes also to propose to the Director General of WIPO for consideration and approval that, with a view to facilitating examination of the applications to the Voluntary Fund by the Advisory Board, revision of the format and content of the application forms be undertaken, and that application forms completed in any of the official United Nations languages other than English be translated into English.

Done in Geneva, July 21, 2011

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The members of the Advisory Board:

Mr. Vladimir YOSSIFOV, Consultant, Permanent Mission of Bulgaria, Geneva, Chair of the Advisory Board, Vice-Chair of the Intergovernmental Committee, *member ex officio*, [signed] and in alphabetical order:

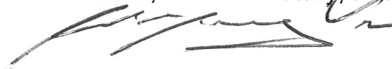


Mr. Sjamsul HADI, Deputy Director, Ministry of Culture and Tourism, Republic of Indonesia [signed]

Mr. Benny MUELLER, Legal Advisor, Legal and International Affairs, Swiss Federal Institute of Intellectual Property [signed]



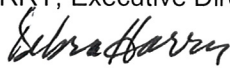
Mr. Raúl MARTÍNEZ, First Secretary, Permanent Mission of the Republic of Paraguay, Geneva [signed]



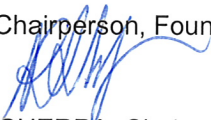
Mr. Mandixole MATROOS, Second Secretary, Permanent Mission of the Republic of South Africa, Geneva [signed]

Dr. Emin TEYMUROV, Attaché, Permanent Mission of the Republic of Azerbaijan, Geneva [absent]

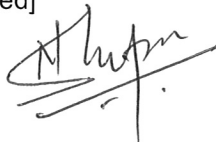
Ms. Debra HARRY, Executive Director, Indigenous Peoples Council on Biocolonialism (IPCB) [signed]



Mr. Les MALEZER, Chairperson, Foundation for Aboriginal and Islander Research Action (FAIRA) [signed]



Mr. Ngwang Sonam SHERPA, Chairperson, Nepal Indigenous Nationalities Preservation Association (NINPA) [signed]



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