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ADDENDUM TO ACCREDITATION OF CERTAIN ORGANIZATIONS

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1. The Annex to document WIPO/GRTKF/IC/6/2, entitled “Accreditation of Certain Organizations,” lists a number of non-governmental organizations which requested, before January 15, 2004, to be granted observer status in sessions of the Intergovernmental Committee on Intellectual Property and Genetic Resources, Traditional Knowledge and Folklore, according to the Rules of Procedure (see paragraph 8 of document WIPO/GRTKF/IC/1/2).
2. The Annex to the present document lists additional organizations, which, subsequent to January 15, 2004, have also requested observer status.
3. *The Intergovernmental Committee is invited to approve the representation in sessions of the Committee of the organization referred to in the Annex to this document, together with the organizations listed in the Annex to document WIPO/GRTKF/IC/6/2, entitled “Accreditation of Certain Organizations.”*

[Annex follows]

ANNEX

NON-GOVERNMENTAL ORGANIZATIONS WHICH HAVE REQUESTED
REPRESENTATION AS OBSERVERS IN SESSIONS OF
THE INTERGOVERNMENTAL COMMITTEE

Australian Folklore Association Inc.

Foundation for Research and Support of Indigenous Peoples of Crimea

Indian Council of South America (CISA)

Indigenous Peoples (Bethechilokono) of Saint Lucia Governing Council, BCG

La Diablada Juventud Tradicional "Union de Bordadores"

Unisféra International Centre

Australian Folklore Association Inc.

Main aims and objectives of the Organization:

- To promote the collection, preservation and study of folklore in Australia;
- To foster the discussion and dissemination of information about folklore in Australia; and
- To promote understanding and appreciation of the important social and cultural role of folklore in Australia's multicultural society.

Description of Activities of Organization:

- Answering public and specialist inquiries about folklore in Australia;
- Lobbying government and public organizations in support of folklore research and preservation;
- Representing the interests of folklorists at meetings and inquiries;
- Organizing or sponsoring national and international conferences and seminars, including the bi-annual National Folklore Conferences, e.g., holding of a very successful International Conference on Artistic & Cultural expressions, Traditional Knowledge, and Protection of Heritage at University of Queensland, Brisbane, in September 1996.
- Offering support and expertise for folklore research programs, especially for researchers new to the field;
- Engaging in special projects, such as the development of a code of ethics for Australian folklorists; and,
- Facilitating communications between researchers, including through Association's flagship journal, Australian Folklore, which is published annually.

Countries in which Organization is primarily active:

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Foundation for Research and Support of Indigenous Peoples of Crimea

Brief Description of the Organization:

- To organize the training, workshops and seminars with the view of raising awareness on human rights, advocacy, conflict prevention etc.
- To provide the most vulnerable ethnic groups in the Crimea with the legal assistance.
- To protect cultural heritage of the indigenous peoples of the Crimea. To reach this end the foundation elaborates the laws on protection and return of the cultural heritage of the indigenous peoples of the Crimea to submit them to the government.
- To conduct research on history, culture of the indigenous peoples of the Crimea.
- To help with dissemination of information about the indigenous peoples of the Crimea within Ukraine as well as outside.
- To write shadow reports to the international organizations, supplying additional information to the state report. The Organization was the first one in Europe to submit the shadow report to the Council of Europe on the state report on Framework Convention on the Protection of National Minorities.
- To translate the information concerning the Crimean Tatars and place it in the website.

Main aims and objectives of the Organization:

The main purpose of the Foundation for Research and Support of Indigenous Peoples of Crimea is to promote cultures, traditions and customs of the indigenous peoples (Crimea Tatars, Karais, Krimchaks) and Crimean ethnic groups as well as their full economic, political, social and spiritual life.

To meet the Foundation's principle purpose it is necessary to fulfil the following objectives:

- revival of language, culture, ethnic self-determination, traditions and customs, economic, social and spiritual life of the indigenous peoples and national minorities of Crimea;
- charity;
- health, maternity and childhood care, development of fitness culture;
- research and education;
- environmental conservation of Crimea;
- to secure, preserve and multiply cultural and historical values of Crimea;
- to assist those whose legal rights and interests are violated, human rights monitoring; to provide legal consultations for the formerly deported peoples and their descendants, refugees, repatriates, forcibly replaced persons and their families;
- to elaborate and participate in socio-economic and socio-political programs;
- to assist people with education, retraining and occupation;
- to organize leisure time, entertaining programs; to develop international non-governmental links, international, economic and humanitarian exchange;
- to raise awareness in different fields of people's life;
- to issue informational bulletins for raising awareness; and, to work on the above-mentioned activities in cooperation with other physical and legal entities to unite people as outside as well as abroad.

Relationship of the Organization with Intellectual Property matters:

The Organization set up the Working Group on the Protection of Cultural Heritage and Intellectual Property of the Indigenous Peoples of the Crimea. Three members of the Working Group have already participated in the WIPO Forum held in Moscow in 2003.

The Working Group deals with the return of intellectual property (books, manuscripts, ethnic artifact) of the Crimean Tatars as well as other indigenous peoples of Crimea to the Crimea from different museums scattered all over the world.

To this end the Organization elaborates proposals to the Ukrainian government, stays in contact with the museums (for example one in Saints Petersburg) to return them to Crimea.

In cooperation with other organizations they try to restore the Crimean Tatar national embroidery, carpet making, and other kinds of national crafts.

Countries in which Organization is primarily active:

Ukraine, The Autonomous Republic of the Crimea.

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Indian Council of South America (CISA)

Main Objectives of the Organization.

The Indian Council of South America (*Consejo Indio de Sud America* or CISA) was created at the Congress of Indian Movements of South America in Ollantaytambo-Cusco, Peru, in March 1980. In 1983, CISA obtained consultative status with the Economic and Social Council of the United Nations (the UN). It represents the Mapuche, Aymara, Qhichwa, Tupi Warani, Arawaku, Wajiru and other Indian peoples. Its mandate has included involvement in the development of international norms such as Convention No.169 on Indigenous and Tribal Peoples of the International Labour Organization, the Draft Declaration on the Rights of Indigenous Peoples under consideration by the Commission on Human Rights, and others. These international instruments address such issues as the status of indigenous peoples, self-determination, land, philosophy, cosmologies, history and language.

Relationship of the Organization with Intellectual Property matters:

From the days of its establishment at Ollantaytambo, CISA has encouraged the restoration of native languages, and the conservation and protection of indigenous patrimony, together with the relationship with their territory, its biodiversity, and the present and past intellectual productions of the people.

CISA proposals concern the need to take greater account of the cultural wealth of indigenous peoples, not only as a record of these peoples but also a potential source of benefits and returns. This requires the creation of a right of collective authorship in order to recognize the intellectual property of the indigenous community. That is also recognized the representatives of peoples, communities, nations and indigenous organizations that seek to protect their cultural wealth through representation in organizations such as the United Nations, UNESCO and WIPO. This organization cooperates with representatives of different indigenous organizations from the different continents, that are encouraging the defense, maintenance, promotion, classification and study of indigenous cultural expressions.

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Indigenous People (Bethechilokono) of Saint Lucia Governing Council, BCG

The Indigenous People (Bethechilokono) of Saint Lucia have established a participatory mechanism under Article 8(j) of the Convention on Biological Diversity (CBD). The Bethechilokono of Saint Lucia is now playing a lead role in the organization of effective mechanisms for the membership of the Caribbean Indigenous Peoples Caucus comprising of Cuba, Haiti, Dominican Republic, Puerto Rico (Taino), Dominica, Saint Lucia, Saint Vincent, Grenadines, and Trinidad and Tobago (Bethechilokono and Kariafodo). The Saint Lucia initiative is being used as a pilot project and it is to be executed in the other above mentioned territories.

The Indigenous People (Bethechilokono) of Saint Lucia have since 2000 participated and contributed to a number of UN and OAS initiatives: World Conference Against Racism; Permanent Forum on Indigenous Issues; Convention on Biological Diversity (CBD); and the Inter-American Convention on the Rights of Indigenous Issues. The Organization has also contributed to the CBD-ABS and CBD Article 8 (j) Working Groups during December 1 to 3, 2003.

Description of Activities of the Organization

- Governance of the Bethechilokono;
- Dialogue with the State in National Issues;
- Co-administration of Bethechilokono sacred and cultural and other properties;
- Protection and Promotion of Bethechilokono cultural, civil, economic, political and social rights;
- Capacity building;
- Protection, preservation of the history and traditional knowledge of Bethechilokono;
- Protection of indigenous languages (Kweyol) in national affairs;
- Income generating and sustainable development projects;
- Registration of Bethechilokono.

Main Aims and Objectives of the Organization:

- To provide visibility for the Indigenous People (Bethechilokono) of Saint Lucia.
- To provide leadership for the Indigenous People (Bethechilokono) of Saint Lucia, nationally, regionally and internationally.
- To administer the affairs of the Indigenous People (Bethechilokono) of Saint Lucia.

Relationship of the Organization with Intellectual Property matters:

At its first Indigenous People (Bethechilokono) of Saint Lucia Consultation under Article 8(j) of the Convention of Biological Diversity on July 17, 2003, the Governing Council was mandated, with immediate effect to commence work on a Database of the Bethechilokono genetic resources, traditional knowledge and folklore. Participation as an ad hoc observer to the WIPO Intergovernmental Committee on Intellectual Property and Genetic Resources, Traditional Knowledge and Folklore, is expected to provide guidance to the Governing Council of the Indigenous People (Bethechilokono) of Saint Lucia.

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La Diablada Juventud Tradicional “Union de Bordadores”

Main Objectives of the Organization.

An association of *mascareros* (mask-making) craftsmen and embroiders. From parents to children, the Organization has been devoted to music, art and culture for more than 75 years. The Organization has taken part as experts in international undertakings such as the Committee of Governmental Experts on Aspects of Intellectual Property Protection of Expressions of Folklore (WIPO, Geneva, 1982) and the Committee of Government Experts on Safeguarding of Folklore (UNESCO, Paris 1982). The Organization has been faithful to the principles of their culture, and to the *Aymara* district of Chijini, where their association was created and has grown. The Organization has remained an important attraction for tourism and for income. From 1968 their *diablada* was officially recognized to head the entrance of the Great Power of each year.

Relationship of the Organization with Intellectual Property matters:

Due to the fact that the intellectual property of their performances, handicrafts, music and the dance of *diablada* are not clearly protected, the Organization along with their fraternity, the Folkloric Federation are together trying to preserve autochthonous dances and traditional costumes. Both aim to promote the recognition of protection of intellectual property rights.

Countries in which Organization is primarily active:

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Unisféra International Centre

Brief Description of the Organization:

Unisféra International Centre is an independent not-for-profit research center based in Montreal, Canada. *Unisféra* was established in 2002. Its mission is to contribute to the advancement of knowledge on sustainable development law and policy, with a focus on the links between socio-economic development and the environment. *Unisféra's* work is policy-oriented with a view to assisting public and private entities in the development and implementation of policies at the national and international levels.

Unisféra's vision is to promote mutually supportive, coherent and realistic economic, social and environmental policy options that are consistent with sustainable development. *Unisféra* applies academic standards to its research projects and aims to provide neutral, empirical or literature-based analysis on public policy issues related to sustainable development.

Unisféra builds its research on a network of researchers and associates from various fields, including law, economics and political science. It works in close cooperation with government agencies, inter-governmental and non-governmental organisations, universities and research centres and private sector organisations in North America, Latin America, Europe and Africa.

Main aims and objectives of the Organization:

Its mission is to contribute to the advancement of knowledge on sustainable development law and policy, with a focus on the links between socio-economic development and the environment.

Relationship of the Organization with Intellectual Property matters:

The objective of the Intellectual Property Law and Policy Programme is to contribute to the analysis and understanding of the linkages between intellectual property (IP) law and sustainable development policies, at the national and international levels. In this context, *Unisféra* carries out research on international IP negotiations and on the scope of international IP law. *Unisféra* has published a series of studies on bilateral negotiations involving developing countries and on the linkages between IP law and biodiversity. In cooperation with partner institutions, it has also contributed to a number international conferences and workshops on IP law.

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