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

**Ninth Session
Geneva, April 24 to 28, 2006**

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, as approved by the General Assembly, are contained in the Annex to document WO/GA/32/6 (the Decision). 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 future session 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 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 cases, 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 following report and recommendation adopted by the Advisory Board at the conclusion of its meeting held on the margins of the ninth session of the Committee. This Report is attached at Annex.

3. The Committee is advised that in accordance with Article 6(d) of the Annex to document WO/GA/32/6 approved by the General Assembly (32nd session) establishing the WIPO Voluntary Fund, and in view of recommendations d(ii) and d(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 d(i) and d(iii) of the Advisory Board, the Director General will take the decision to fund those candidates who have been recommended in principle by the Advisory Board in accordance with Article 5(e) of the Decision, if and when the funds pledged to the Voluntary Fund listed in WIPO/GRTKF/IC/9/INF/8, or any other resources, are made available to the Fund, in time before the tenth session of the Committee.

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

(a) The Advisory Board of the WIPO Voluntary Fund, whose members have been appointed by decision of the Committee on the second day of its ninth session and whose names appear at the end of this report, held its first meeting under the chairmanship of Mr. Abdellah OUADRHIRI, member *ex officio*, on the margins of the ninth session of the Intergovernmental Committee on Intellectual Property and Genetic Resources, Traditional Knowledge and Folklore from April 25 to 27, 2006.

(b) The members of the Advisory Board met in accordance with Article 7 of Annex to document WO/GA/32/6.

(c) Recalling Article 5 (a) of Annex of document WO/GA/32/6, the Advisory Board took note of the financial situation of the Fund as described in the Information Note WIPO/GRTKF/IC/9/INF/8 dated April 18, 2006 which has been distributed before the opening of the ninth session of the Committee which specifies that no financial resources were available on the Voluntary Fund at that date and that 500,000 Swedish Kronas have been pledged until that date to the Voluntary Fund.

(d) Furthermore, the Advisory Board, taking into account its limited time framework, adopted the following recommendations based on the consideration of the list of applicants as it appears in the Information Note WIPO/GRTKF/IC/9/INF/8 and of the content of the applications of those candidates :

(i) future session intended for financial support in accordance with Article 5(e): tenth session of the Intergovernmental Committee.

(ii) applicants whom the Advisory Board agrees should be supported for that session and for whom funds are available: none.

(iii) applicants whom the Advisory Board agrees should be supported in principle but for whom insufficient funds are currently available : (by alphabetical order)

Mrs. Gulnara ABBASOVA

Mr. Etsa Marco CHIRIAP KUKUSH

Mr. Albert DETERVILLE

Mrs. Le'a Malia KANEHE

Mr. Joseph O. OGIERAKHI

Mr. Johnson OLE KAUNGA

Mr. Mohammad RASDI WANGSA

Mr. Maui SOLOMON

(iv) applicants whose application has been rejected :

Mr. Lazaro PARY ANAGUA

(v) applicants whose application has been postponed for further consideration by the Advisory Board until the tenth session of the Committee :

Mr. Peter Kiplangat CHERUIYOT

Mr. Divine MUMA

Mr. Musa Usman NDAMBA

Furthermore, in view of Article 6(e) of Annex to document WO/GA/32/6, the Advisory Board decided not to consider the applications, which have not been sent to the WIPO Director General at least 60 days before the opening of the ninth session of the Committee, of the following persons:

Mrs. Walet ABOUBACRINE TALKALIT

Mr. Estebancio CASTRO DIAZ

Mrs. Anastasia CHUKHMAN

Mrs. Neeti MAHANTI

Mr. Jebra Ram MUCHAHARY

Mr. Rodion SULYANDZIGA

Mr. Honor TOUDISSA MALANDA

Those applications will be considered for the first time at the next meeting of the Advisory Board which will meet on the margins of the tenth session of the Committee.

The content of the present report and the recommendations it contains have been forwarded to the WIPO Director General after its adoption by the members of the Advisory Board in accordance with Article 6 (i) last paragraph of Annex to document WIPO/GA/32/6.

Done in Geneva, April 27, 2006

The members of the Advisory Board:

Mr. Abdellah OUADRHIRI, Director General, Bureau marocain du droit d'auteur, Ministère de la Communication, Morocco, Chair of the Advisory Board, Vice-Chair of the Intergovernmental Committee, member *ex officio*: [signed]

and by alphabetical order,

Mr. Alejandro ARGUMEDO, representative of *Call of the Earth*. [signed]

Mr. Matthias AHREN, representative of the *Saami Council*. [signed]

Mr. Merle ALEXANDER, representative of the *Kaska Dena Council*. [signed]

Mr. Hekmatollah GHORBANI, Counsellor, Permanent Mission of the Islamic Republic of Iran, Geneva. [signed]

Ms. Jean W. KIMANI, Counsellor, Permanent Mission of Kenya, Geneva. [signed]

Mrs. Larissa SIMONOVA, Deputy Director, International Cooperation Department, Rospatent, Russian Federation. [signed]

Mr. Ricardo VELEZ BENEDETTI, Minister Counselor, Permanent Mission of Colombia, Geneva. [signed]

Mrs. Maria WESTMAN-CLÉMENT, Special Advisor, Ministry of Justice, Sweden. [signed]

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