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INTELLECTUAL PROPERTY AND GENETIC RESOURCES,
TRADITIONAL KNOWLEDGE AND FOLKLORE**

**Eleventh Session
Geneva, July 3 to 12, 2007**

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 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 eleventh 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(iii) 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(ii) of the Advisory Board, the Director General will take the decision to fund those candidates who have been recommended by the Advisory Board in accordance with Article 5(e) of the Decision, provided that the mandate of the Committee be renewed by the WIPO General Assembly, in its current form or in a different form.

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 were appointed by decision of the Intergovernmental Committee on Intellectual Property and Genetic Resources, Traditional Knowledge and Folklore on the second day of its eleventh session and whose names appear at the end of this report, held its third meeting from July 5 to 6, 2007 under the chairmanship of Mr. Abdellah OUADRHIRI, member *ex officio*, on the margins of the eleventh session of the Intergovernmental Committee.

(b) The members of the Advisory Board met in accordance with Articles 7 and 11 of the Annex to document WO/GA/32/6. Mr. Musa Usman NDAMBA, appointed member of the Advisory Board, did not participate in the deliberations and abstained from voting on his application for support by the Fund. Mrs. Anastasia CHUKHMAN, appointed member of the Advisory Board, abstained from voting on the applications for support by the Fund of Mr. Rodion SULYANDZIGA and Mr. Mikhail TODYSHEV.

(c) Recalling Article 5(a) of Annex to 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/11/INF/4 dated June 18, 2007, which was distributed before the opening of the eleventh session of the Committee and which specifies that the amount available in the Fund minus the previously committed amount was 185,469.85 Swiss francs on June 11, 2007, and that 30,000 United States dollars have been pledged to the Fund.

(d) Furthermore, the Advisory Board adopted the following recommendations based on consideration of the list of applicants as it appears in the Information Note WIPO/GRTKF/IC/11/INF/4 and of the content of the applications of those applicants:

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

(ii) applicants whom the Advisory Board agrees should be supported for that session and for whom funds are available, provided that the mandate of the Intergovernmental Committee be renewed by the WIPO General Assembly, in its current form or in a different form: (in alphabetical order)

Mr. Rodrigo DE LA CRUZ ILAGO

Mr. Albert DETERVILLE

Ms. Debra HARRY

Mrs. Neeti MAHANTI

Mr. Musa Usman NDAMBA

Mr. Santiago OBISPO

Mr. Rodion SULYANDZIGA

Mr. Greg YOUNGING

Mrs. Fawsia YOUSIF GLALELDIN

(iii) applicant whose application has been rejected:

Mr. Talkalit WALET ABOUBACRINE

(iv) applicants whose application has been postponed for further consideration by the Advisory Board until the twelfth session of the Committee, provided that the mandate of the Intergovernmental Committee be renewed by the WIPO General Assembly, in its current form or in a different form:

Mrs. Mehnaz AJMAL

Mr. Preston HARDISON

Mrs. Marguerite MBOUSNOUM

Mr. Charles SALIL KIPLAGAT

Mr. Mikhail TODYSHEV

Mr. Jean Augustin TSAFAK DJIAGUE

Mr. Arturo Marcos VALENCIA PAIVA

Mr. Terry WILLIAMS

The content of the present report and the recommendations it contains were 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/32/6.

Done in Geneva, July 6, 2007

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 in alphabetical order:

Mr. Estebancio CASTRO DIAZ, representative of the International Indian Treaty Council [signed]

Ms. Anastasia CHUKHMAN, representative of the Russian Association of Indigenous Peoples of the North (RAIPON) [signed]

Ms. Susanna CHUNG, Second Secretary, Permanent Mission of South Africa, Geneva [signed]

Mr. Michael EPOKO, Senior Planner, National Cultural Commission, Port Moresby, Papua New Guinea [signed]

Mrs. Marie KRAUS-WOLLHEIM, Legal Advisor, Swiss Federal Institute of Intellectual Property, Bern, Switzerland [signed]

Mr. Musa Usman NDAMBA, representative of the Mbororo Social Cultural Development Association (MBOSCUDA) [signed]

Mr. Alejandro NEYRA, First Secretary, Permanent Mission of Peru, Geneva [signed]

Mrs. Larisa SIMONOVA, Deputy Director, International Cooperation Department, Federal Service for Intellectual Property, Patents and Trademarks (ROSPATENT), Moscow, Russian Federation [signed]

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