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

**Twelfth Session
Geneva, February 25 to 29, 2008**

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 twelfth session of the Committee. This Report is attached at Annex.

3. The Committee is advised that in accordance with Article 5(a) and 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(i), d(ii), d(iii) and d(iv) adopted by the Advisory Board, the Director General has adopted the decisions recommended by the Advisory Board.

4. 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 twelfth session and whose names appear at the end of this report, held its fourth meeting from February 25 to 28, 2008 under the chairmanship of Mr. Abdellah OUADRHIRI, member *ex officio*, on the margins of the twelfth 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. Albert DETERVILLE, appointed member of the Advisory Board, did not participate in the deliberations and abstained from voting on his application for support by the Fund.

(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/12/INF/4 dated February 13, 2008, 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 341,671.09 Swiss francs on February 7, 2008, and that 25,000 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/12/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): thirteenth session of the Intergovernmental Committee.

(ii) applicants whom the Advisory Board agrees should be supported for that session and for whom funds are available: (in alphabetical order)

Ms. Patricia ADJEI
Mrs. Mehnaz AJMAL
Mr. Albert DETERVILLE
Mrs. Lucia Fernanda INÁCIO BELFORT
Mrs. Le'a Malia KANEHE
Mr. Peter KIPLANGAT CHERUIYOT
Mrs. Irene LESHORE
Mrs. Christiana LOUWA
Mr. Arthuso MALO-AY
Mr. Danil MAMYEV
Mr. Joseph OGIERAKHI

Mrs. Tarcila RIVERA ZEA
Mr. Maui SOLOMON
Mr. Mikhail TODYSHEV
Mrs. Saoudata WALET ABOUBACRINE
Mr. Terry WILLIAMS

(iii) applicants whose application has been rejected: (in alphabetical order)

Mrs. Marguerite MBOUSNOUM
Mr. Charles SALIL KIPLAGAT
Mr. Arturo Marcos VALENCIA PAIVA

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

Mr. Babagana ABUBAKAR
Mrs. Ali AISHATU
Mr. Phillip BIRD
Mr. Ani CASIMIR CHUKWUNONYELUM KINGSTON
Mr. Estebancio CASTRO DIAZ
Mr. Jury Alfredo GUTIERREZ MARISCAL
Mr. Preston HARDISON
Mrs. Debra HARRY
Mrs. Khalide KURTBELYALOVA
Mr. Latari Kawadu MADAVI
Mr. Miguel Angel MERLO GUTIERREZ
Mr. Kennedy NYONGBELA DOHJINGA
Mrs. Gulvayra SHERMATOVA
Mr. Jean Augustin TSAFAK DJIAGUE
Mr. Teanau TUIONO

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, February 28, 2008

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. Albert DETERVILLE, representative of *Indigenous People (Bethechilokono) of Saint Lucia Governing Council*. [signed]

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

Mrs. Neeti MAHANTI, representative of *Jigyansu Tribal Research Centre*. [signed]

Mr. Yazdan NADALIZADEH, Counsellor, Permanent Mission of the Islamic Republic of Iran, Geneva, Switzerland. [signed]

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

Mrs. Rodica PÂRVU, Director General, Romanian Office for Copyright, Bucharest, Romania. [signed]

Ms. Margaret RAVEN, representative of the *Foundation for Aboriginal and Islander Research Action*. [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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