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

### Thirteenth Session Geneva, October 13 to 17, 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,

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- (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 thirteenth 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 (32<sup>nd</sup> 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]

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#### **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 during its thirteenth session and whose names appear at the end of this report, held its fifth meeting from October 15 to 16, 2008 under the chairmanship of Mr. Abdellah OUADRHIRI, member *ex officio*, on the margins of the thirteenth 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. Joseph OGIERAKHI, 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/13/INF/4 dated September 23, 2008, which was distributed before the opening of the thirteenth session of the Committee and which specifies that the amount available in the Fund minus the previously committed amount was 259,041.21 Swiss francs on September 5, 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/13/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): fourteenth 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)

Mr. Babagana ABUBAKAR

Ms. Patricia ADJEI

Mrs. Ali AISHATU

Mr. Alejandro ARGUMEDO

Mr. Ani CASIMIR CHUKWUNONYELUM KINGSTON

Mr. Estebancio CASTRO DIAZ

Mr. Albert DETERVILLE

Mr. Abed DEWAN MOHD

Ms. Le'a Malia KANEHE

Mrs. Khalide KURTBELYALOVA

Mr. Arthuso MALO-AY

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Mr. Joseph OGIERIAKHI

Ms. Margaret RAVEN

Mrs. Gulvayra SHERMATOVA

Mrs. Marcia STEWART

Mr. Terry WILLIAMS

Mrs. Fawsia YOUSIF GALALELDIN

(iii) applicants whose application has been rejected:

Mr. Peter KIPLANGAT CHERUIYOT

Mr. Latari Kawadu MADAVI

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

Mr. Tomas ALARCON EYZAGUIRRE

Mr. Lindis Janina AREVALO COBOS

Mr. Phillip BIRD

Mr. Ataur Rahman CHOWDURY

Mr. Jury Alfredo GUTIERREZ MARISCAL

Mr. Preston HARDISON

Ms. Debra HARRY

Mr. Devi Prasad MAZUMDER

Mr. Miguel Angel MERLO GUTIERREZ

Mrs. Verna MILLER

Mr. Musa Usman NDAMBA

Mr. Kennedy NYONGBELA DOHJINGA

Mr. Charles SALIL KIPLAGAT

Mr. Maui SOLOMON

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, October 16, 2008

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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. Al BENOIT, representative of the *Métis National Council* [signed]

Mrs. Lucy MAHLANGU, Director, Department of Arts and Culture, South Africa [signed]

Ms. Inger HOLTEN, Senior Advisor, Ministry of Foreign Affairs, Norway [signed]

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

Mr. Joseph OGIERAKHI, representative of *West Africa Coalition for Indigenous Peoples' Rights* [signed]

Mr. Valiantsin RACHKOUSKI, Head of the Information and Methodology Division, Assistant Director General, National Center of Intellectual Property, Belarus [signed]

Mrs. Tarcila RIVERA ZEA, representative of the *Centro de Culturas Indígenas del Perú* (*CHIRAPAQ*) [signed]

Mr. Gustavo Adolfo TORRES CISNEROS, Advisor, Permanent Mission of Mexico, Geneva [signed]

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