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

**Fourteenth Session
Geneva, June 29 to July 3, 2009**

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 fourteenth 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 during its fourteenth session and whose names appear at the end of this report, held its sixth meeting from June 30 to July 2, 2009 under the chairmanship of Mr. Abdellah OUADRHIRI, member *ex officio*, on the margins of the fourteenth 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. Preston HARDISON and Mr. Joseph OGIERIAKHI, appointed members of the Advisory Board, did not participate in the deliberations and abstained from voting on their applications for support by the Fund. Mrs. Le'a Malia KANEHE, appointed member of the Advisory Board, abstained from voting on the application of Mrs. Debra HARRY. Mr. Joseph OGIERIAKHI abstained from voting on the application of Mrs. Dora OGBOI.

(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/14/INF/4 dated June 11, 2009, which was distributed before the opening of the fourteenth session of the Committee and which specifies that the amount available in the Fund minus the previously committed amount was 176,539.50 Swiss francs on June 11, 2009, 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/14/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): fifteenth 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. Lindis Janina AREVALO COBOS
Mrs. Trudie BRODERICK
Mr. Ani CASIMIR CHUKWUNONYELUM KINGSTON
Mr. Albert DETERVILLE
Mrs. Haman HAJARA
Mr. Preston HARDISON
Ms. Debra HARRY
Mrs. Lucia Fernanda INÁCIO BELFORT

Mr. Devi Prasad MAZUMDER
Mr. Musa Usman NDAMBA
Mrs. Dora OGBOI
Ms. Margaret RAVEN
Mr. Rodion SULYANDZIGA
Mr. Honor TOUDISSA MALANDA
Mr. Teanau TUIONO
Mr. Santos TZORIN JULAJUJ
Ms. Fawsia YOUSIF GALALELDIN

(iii) applicants whose application has been rejected:

Mr. Kennedy NYONGBELA DOHJINGA
Mr. Charles SALIL KIPLAGAT
Mr. Jean Augustin TSAFAK DJIAGUE

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

Mr. Babagana ABUBAKAR
Mrs. Rose ATENG MBA
Mr. Tomas ALARCON EYZAGUIRRE
Mr. Phillip BIRD
Mr. Ataur Rahman CHOWDURY
Mr. Jury Alfredo GUTIERREZ MARISCAL
Mrs. Irene LESHORE
Mrs. Christiana Saiti LOUWA
Mr. Jafarou MALAM KOSSAO
Mr. Miguel Angel MERLO GUTIERREZ
Mrs. Verna MILLER
Mr. Jebra Ram MUCHAHARY
Mr. Joseph OGIERIAKHI
Mr. Maui SOLOMON
Ms. Maxine STOWE

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 2, 2009

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. Martin GIRSBERGER, Head, *Propriété Intellectuelle et Développement Durable, Institut fédéral de la Propriété intellectuelle*, Switzerland [signed]

Mr. Preston HARDISON, representative of the *Tulalip Tribes of Washington* [signed]

Mrs. Le'a Malia KANEHE, representative of the *Indigenous Peoples Council on Biocolonialism* [signed]

Mrs. Hayet MEHADJI, First Secretary, Permanent Mission of Algeria, Geneva [signed]

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

Mr. Milan NOVAKOVIĆ, Patent Examiner, Intellectual Property Office, Republic of Serbia [signed]

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

Mr. Luis VAYAS VALDIVIESO, First Secretary, Permanent Mission of Ecuador, Geneva [signed]

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