Intergovernmental Committee on Intellectual Property and Genetic Resources, Traditional Knowledge and Folklore

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WIPO VOLUNTARY FUND FOR ACCREDITED INDIGENOUS AND LOCAL COMMUNITIES: INFORMATION NOTE ON CONTRIBUTIONS AND APPLICATIONS FOR SUPPORT

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1. This document contains information required to be reported to the Intergovernmental Committee on Intellectual Property and Genetic Resources, Traditional Knowledge and Folklore (“the Committee”) on the operation of the Voluntary Fund for Accredited Indigenous and Local Communities (“the Fund”). The rules are set out in the Annex to document WO/GA/32/6, which was approved by the WIPO General Assembly at its 32nd session in September 2005 and subsequently amended by the General Assembly at its 39th session in September 2010.

2. Article 6(f) of the rules states:

“(f) Before each Committee session, the WIPO Director General will communicate for the information of participants an information note setting out:

(i) the level of the voluntary contributions paid into the Fund on the date on which the document was drafted;

(ii) the identity of the contributors (unless individual contributors have expressly requested to remain anonymous);

(iii) the amount of the resources available taking into account the funds disbursed;

(iv) the list of people who have benefited from the Fund’s support since the previous information memorandum;
(v) the people chosen to benefit from the Fund but who withdrew;
(vi) the amount of the support allocated to each beneficiary; and
(vii) a sufficiently detailed description of the applicants seeking support for the following session.

This document will also be addressed by name to the members of the Advisory Board for examination and deliberation."

3. The present document constitutes the thirteenth such information note, as required by the decision of the WIPO General Assembly. The information required to be communicated to participants in the Twenty-First Session of the Committee is as follows:

Level of the voluntary contributions paid to the Fund until February 29, 2012, and names of the contributors:

86,092.60 Swiss francs (the equivalent of 500,000 Swedish crowns at the date) credited on November 7, 2006, by the Swedish International Biodiversity Programme (SwedBio/CBM);

31,684 Swiss francs (the equivalent of 20,000 Euros at the date) credited on December 20, 2006, by the Government of France;

29,992.50 Swiss francs (the equivalent of 25,000 United States of America dollars at the date) credited on March 27, 2007, by the Christensen Fund;

150,000 Swiss francs credited on June 8, 2007, by the Swiss Federal Institute of Intellectual Property, Berne, Switzerland;

5,965.27 Swiss francs (the equivalent of 5,000 United States of America dollars at the date) credited on August 14, 2007, by the Ministry of Science and Technology, South Africa;

98,255.16 Swiss francs (the equivalent of 60,000 Euros at the date) credited on December 20, 2007, by the Government of Norway;

100,000 Swiss francs credited on February 7, 2008, by the Swiss Federal Institute of Intellectual Property, Berne, Switzerland; and

12,500 Swiss francs (the equivalent of 13, 441 United States of America dollars at the date) credited on March 25, 2011, by the Ministry of Science and Technology, South Africa.

500 Swiss francs (the equivalent of 573 United States of America dollars at the date) credited on May 10, 2011, by an anonymous contributor.

89,500 Swiss francs (the equivalent of 100,000 Australian dollars at the date) credited on October 20, 2011, by the Government of Australia.

Total amount of the voluntary contributions paid to the Fund until February 29, 2012: 604,489.53 Swiss francs.
Amount of the resources available:

- Amount available in the Fund on February 29, 2012 including bank interest: 68,930.67 Swiss francs.
- Amount committed on February 29, 2012: 23,420 Swiss francs\(^1\).
- Amount available in the Fund minus committed amount on February 29, 2012: 45,510.67 Swiss francs.

List of persons who benefited since the previous information note\(^2\):

For their participation in the Twentieth Session of the Committee:

Mrs. Saoudata Walet ABOUBACRINE  
Nationality: Mali  
Mailing address: Ouagadougou, Burkina Faso  
Name of the accredited observer which nominates the candidate: Tin-Hinan  
Seat of the accredited observer: Ouagadougou, Burkina Faso

Ms. Debra HARRY  
Nationality: United States of America  
Mailing address: Nixon, Nevada, United States of America  
Name of the accredited observer which nominates the candidate: Indigenous Peoples Council on Biocolonialism (IPCB)  
Seat of the accredited observer: Nixon, Nevada, United States of America

Ms. Lucia Fernanda INACIO BELFORT  
Nationality: Brazil  
Mailing address: Brasilia, Brazil  
Name of the accredited observer which nominates the candidate: Instituto Indigena Brasileiro da Propriedade Intelectual (INBRAPI)  
Seat of the accredited observer: Brasilia, Brazil

Mr. Ngwang SONAM SHERPA  
Nationality: Nepal  
Mailing address: Kathmandu, Nepal  
Name of the accredited observer which nominates the candidate: Nepal Indigenous Nationalities Preservation Association (NINPA)  
Seat of the accredited observer: Kathmandu, Nepal

Mr. Rodion SULYANDZIGA  
Nationality: Russian Federation  
Mailing address: Moscow, Russian Federation  
Name of the accredited observer which nominates the candidate: Russian Association of Indigenous Peoples of the North (RAIPON)  
Seat of the accredited observer: Moscow, Russian Federation

\(^1\) The final expenditure will be provided with the next relevant information note related to the Voluntary Fund.  
\(^2\) See document WIPO/GRTKF/IC/19/INF/5 dated December 19, 2011.
Ms. Tarisi VUNIDULO  
Nationality: Fiji  
Mailing address: Auckland, New Zealand  
Name of the accredited observer which nominates the candidate:  
Pacific Islands Museums Association (PIMA)  
Seat of the accredited observer: Port Vila, Vanuatu  

For their participation in the Twenty-First Session of the Committee:\(^3\)  
(in alphabetical order)  

Mr. Tomas ALARCON EYZAGUIRRE  
Nationality: Peru  
Mailing address: Tacna, Peru  
Name of the accredited observer which nominates the candidate:  
Comisión Jurídica para el Autodesarrollo de los Pueblos Originarios Andinos (CAPAJ)  
Seat of the accredited observer: Tacna, Peru  

Mr. Nadir BEKIROV  
Nationality: Ukraine  
Mailing address: Simferopol, Ukraine  
Name of the accredited observer which nominates the candidate:  
Foundation for Research and Support of Indigenous Peoples of Crimea  
Seat of the accredited observer: Simferopol, Ukraine  

Mr. Estebancio CASTRO DÍAZ  
Nationality: New Zealand and Panama  
Mailing address: Panama City, Panama  
Name of the accredited observer which nominates the candidate:  
International Indian Treaty Council (IITC)  
Seat of the accredited observer: San Francisco, United States of America  

Mr. Joseph O. OGIERIAKHI  
Nationality: Nigeria  
Mailing address: Benin City, Nigeria  
Name of the accredited observer which nominates the candidate:  
West Africa Coalition for Indigenous Peoples' Rights (WACIPR)  
Seat of the accredited observer: Benin City, Nigeria  

Ms. Lucky SHERPA  
Nationality: Nepal  
Mailing address: Kathmandu, Nepal  
Name of the accredited observer which nominates the candidate:  
Himalayan Indigenous Nationalities Preservation Association (HIWN)  
Seat of the accredited observer: Kathmandu, Nepal  

Ms. Tarisi VUNIDULO  
Nationality: Fiji  
Mailing address: Auckland, New Zealand  
Name of the accredited observer which nominates the candidate:  
Pacific Islands Museums Association (PIMA)  
Seat of the accredited observer: Port Vila, Vanuatu  

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\(^3\) See the list of these beneficiaries in document WIPO/GRTKF/IC/20/INF/7 dated February 17, 2012.
Disbursed for their participation in the Twentieth Session of the Committee:

Mrs. Saoudata Walet ABOUBACRINE: 4,154.85 Swiss francs
Ms. Debra HARRY: 4,159 Swiss francs
Ms. Lucia Fernanda INACIO BELFORT: 4,986.35 Swiss francs
Mr. Ngwang SONAM SHERPA: 4,102 Swiss francs
Mr. Rodion SULYANDZIGA: 3,095.35 Swiss francs
Ms. Tarisi VUNIDILLO: 4,812 Swiss francs

Committed for their participation in the Twenty-First Session of the Committee

Mr. Tomas ALARCON EYZAGUIRRE: 4,734 Swiss francs
Mr. Nadir BEKIROV: 2,684 Swiss francs
Mr. Estebancio CASTRO DÍAZ: 4,234 Swiss francs
Mr. Joseph O. OGIERIAKHI: 3,534 Swiss francs
Ms. Lucky SHERPA: 3,400 Swiss francs
Ms. Tarisi VUNIDILLO: 4,834 Swiss francs

List of the applicants seeking support for the Twenty-Second Session of the Committee (in alphabetical order)

Mr. Tomas ALARCON EYZAGUIRRE
Nationality: Peru
Mailing address: Tacna, Peru
Name of the accredited observer which nominates the candidate: Comisión Jurídica para el Autodesarrollo de los Pueblos Originarios Andinos (CAPAJ)
Seat of the accredited observer: Tacna, Peru

Mr. Casimir Chukwunonyelum Kingston ANI
Nationality: Nigeria
Mailing address: Nsukka (Enugu Enugu), Nigeria
Name of the accredited observer which nominates the candidate: Centre for Peace Building and Poverty Reduction among Indigenous African Peoples (CEPPER)
Seat of the accredited observer: Nsukka (Enugu Enugu), Nigeria

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5 Ms. Debra Harry withdrew her application on February 17, 2012.
Ms. Lucia Fernanda INACIO BELFORT  
Nationality: Brazil  
Mailing address: Brasilia, Brazil  
Name of the accredited observer which nominates the candidate:  
*Instituto Indígena Brasileiro da Propriedade Intelectual* (INBRAPI)  
Seat of the accredited observer: Brasilia, Brazil

Mr. Albert DETERVILLE  
Nationality: Saint Lucia  
Mailing address: Castries, Saint Lucia  
Name of the accredited observer which nominates the candidate:  
Indigenous People (Betechilokono) of Saint Lucia Governing Council (BCG)  
Seat of the accredited observer: Castries, Saint Lucia

Mr. Francis Xavier GICHURU  
Nationality: Kenya  
Mailing address: Nairobi, Kenya  
Name of the accredited observer which nominates the candidate:  
African Cultural Regeneration Institute (ACRI)  
Seat of the accredited observer: Nairobi, Kenya

Mrs. Fawsia Yousif GLALELDIN  
Nationality: Sudan  
Mailing address: Khartoum, Sudan  
Name of the accredited observer which nominates the candidate:  
The Sudanese Association for Archiving Knowledge (SUDAAK)  
Seat of the accredited observer: Khartoum, Sudan

Mrs. Kathy HODGSON-SMITH  
Nationality: Canada  
Mailing address: Saskatoon, Saskatchewan, Canada  
Name of the accredited observer which nominates the candidate:  
Métis National Council  
Seat of the accredited observer: Ottawa, Canada

Mr. Moussa KOSSOMI  
Nationality: Niger  
Mailing address: Agadez, Niger  
Name of the accredited observer which nominates the candidate:  
*OAOCB “Arc-en-ciel”*  
Seat of the accredited observer: Agadez, Niger

Ms. Nadejda PECHENINA  
Nationality: Russian Federation  
Mailing address: Kemerovo, Russian Federation  
Name of the accredited observer which nominates the candidate:  
Council of Elders of Shor People  
Seat of the accredited observer: Novokuznetsk, Russian Federation
Mrs. Solandry d’Alfonso SANCHEZ VALBUENA
Nationality: Colombia
Mailing address: Bogota, Colombia
Name of the accredited observer which nominates the candidate:
Organización nacional indígena de Colombia (ONIC)
Seat of the accredited observer: Bogota, Colombia

Mr. Lakshmikanta SINGH
Nationality: Bangladesh
Mailing address: Sylhet, Bangladesh
Name of the accredited observer which nominates the candidate:
Ethnic Community Development Organization (ECDO)
Seat of the accredited observer: Sylhet, Bangladesh

Ms. Nongpolklai SINHA
Nationality: Bangladesh
Mailing address: Sylhet, Bangladesh
Name of the accredited observer which nominates the candidate:
Ethnic Community Development Organization (ECDO)
Seat of the accredited observer: Sylhet, Bangladesh

Mr. Ngwang SONAM SHERPA
Nationality: Nepal
Mailing address: Kathmandu, Nepal
Name of the accredited observer which nominates the candidate:
Nepal Indigenous Nationalities Preservations Association (NINPA)
Seat of the accredited observer: Kathmandu, Nepal

Mrs. Marcia STEWART
Nationality: Jamaica
Mailing address: Lithonia (GA), United States of America
Name of the accredited observer which nominates the candidate:
Ethio-Africa Diaspora Union Millenium Council
Seat of the accredited observer: Kingston, Jamaica

Mr. Rodion SULYANDZIGA
Nationality: Russian Federation
Mailing address: Moscow, Russian Federation
Name of the accredited observer which nominates the candidate:
Russian Association of Indigenous Peoples of the North (RAIPON)
Seat of the accredited observer: Moscow, Russian Federation

Mr. Santos TZORIN JULAJUJ
Nationality: Guatemala
Mailing address: Chimaltenango, Guatemala
Name of the accredited observer which nominates the candidate:
Maya To’Onik Association
Seat of the accredited observer: Guatemala City, Guatemala

Mr. Miguel Antonio VALBUENA GUAURIYU
Nationality: Colombia
Mailing address: Manaure, Colombia
Name of the accredited observer which nominates the candidate:
Akuaipa Waimakat. Asociación por la Divulgación, Promoción y Defensa de los Derechos humanos y indígenas
Seat of the accredited observer: Manaure, Colombia

Mr. Jim WALKER
Nationality: Australia
Mailing address: Sunnybank, Australia
Name of the accredited observer which nominates the candidate: Foundation for Aboriginal and Islander Research Action (FAIRA)
Seat of the accredited observer: Woolloongabaa, Australia

Mr. Greg YOUNGING
Nationality: Canada
Mailing address: Vancouver, Canada
Name of the accredited observer which nominates the candidate: Creator’s Rights Alliance (CRA)
Seat of the accredited observer: Vancouver, Canada

4. The Committee is invited to take note of the content of this document.