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ADDENDUM TO RESOURCES AVAILABLE ON THE WIPO TRADITIONAL KNOWLEDGE, TRADITIONAL CULTURAL EXPRESSIONS AND GENETIC RESOURCES WEBSITE

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1. The Annex to the document WIPO/GRTKF/IC/23/INF/9, dated January 8, 2013, entitled “Resources available on the WIPO Traditional Knowledge, Traditional Cultural Expressions and Genetic Resources Website”, briefly describes the resources available on the WIPO Traditional Knowledge, Traditional Cultural Expressions and Genetic Resources website (“the WIPO TK website”), as a means to support and enhance the participation of observers in the work of the WIPO Intergovernmental Committee on Intellectual Property and Genetic Resources, Traditional Knowledge and Folklore (IGC).

2. The Annex to the present document lists two WIPO webpages that have recently been added to the WIPO TK website.

3. The IGC is invited to take note of this document and the Annex to it.

[Annex follows]
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A distinct “Indigenous Portal” has been created at: http://www.wipo.int/tk/en/indigenous/. This is part of the WIPO Secretariat’s effort to improve access to available information for and relating specifically to indigenous peoples and local communities. It offers links to relevant WIPO resources, information on accreditation to, and participation in, the IGC process and provides access to external links of interest to indigenous peoples and local communities. This initiative is pursuant to the Committee’s request as contained in Paragraph 801 (f) of WIPO/GRTKF/IC/20/10 (Report of the Twentieth Session of the Intergovernmental Committee on Intellectual Property and Genetic Resources, Traditional Knowledge and Folklore (IGC)).

A distinct webpage comprising a glossary of key terms related to intellectual property and genetic resources, traditional knowledge and traditional cultural expressions has been created at: http://www.wipo.int/tk/en/resources/glossary.html. The terms included in this glossary are taken directly from the glossary that is available as an information resource to the IGC (most recently, document WIPO/GRTKF/IC/23/INF/8). The webpage clearly indicates that the glossary is not exhaustive, that the terms may be defined differently and that the selection of terms and their proposed definitions are not necessarily agreed upon by WIPO’s Member States.

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