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

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

*Document prepared by the Secretariat*

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 a revision of the nineteenth such information note, as required by the decision of the WIPO General Assembly. The information required to be communicated to participants in the Twenty-Seventh Session of the Committee is as follows:

Level of the voluntary contributions paid to the Fund until December 7, 2013 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;

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;

15,000 Swiss francs credited on June 20, 2013 by the Government of Australia; and

4,694.40 Swiss francs credited on June 20, 2013 by the Government of New Zealand.

Total amount of the voluntary contributions paid to the Fund until February 27, 2014: 624,183.93 Swiss francs.
Amount of the resources available:

- Amount available in the Fund on February 27, 2014, including bank interest: 823.10 Swiss francs.
- Amount committed on February 27, 2014: nihil.
- Amount available in the Fund minus committed amount on February 27, 2014: 823.10 Swiss francs.

List of persons who benefited since the previous information note¹:

Applicant who was recommended for funding in view of the Twenty-Sixth Session of the Committee (in order of priority)², and for whom sufficient means were available in the Fund on January 15, 2014, but who withdrew:

Ms. Jackline Margis KURARU
Nationality: Kenya
Mailing address: Nanyuki, Kenya
Name of the accredited observer which nominates the candidate: Maasai Cultural Heritage Foundation
Seat of the accredited observer: Nanyuki, Kenya

For her participation in the Twenty-Sixth Session of the Committee (in order of priority):

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

Applicants who were recommended for funding in view of the Twenty-Sixth Session of the Committee, but for whom no sufficient means were available in the Fund on January 15, 2014 (in order of priority):

Ms. Patricia ADJEI
Nationality: Australia
Mailing address: Woolloomooloo, Australia
Name of the accredited observer which nominates the candidate: Arts Law Centre of Australia
Seat of the accredited observer: Woolloomooloo, Australia

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

¹ See document WIPO/GRTKF/IC/26/INF/4 dated December 9, 2013.
² See the list of the beneficiaries in the Annex to document WIPO/GRTKF/IC/25/INF/6 dated July 18, 2013.
Mrs. Gulvayra KUTSENKO  
Nationality: Russian Federation  
Mailing address: Biysk, Altaiskiy Kray, Russian Federation  
Name of the accredited observer which nominates the candidate:  
L’auravetl’an Information & Education Network of Indigenous Peoples (LIENIP)  
Seat of the accredited observer: Gorno-Altaisk, Russian Federation

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

Applicants who were recommended for funding in view of the Twenty-Seventh Session of the Committee

None.

Disbursed for her participation in the Twenty-Sixth Session of the Committee:

Ms. Lucia Fernanda INACIO BELFORT: 3,759.85 Swiss francs

Committed or disbursed in view of the Twenty-Seventh Session of the Committee

No commitment; no disbursement.

List of the applicants seeking support for the next Session of the Committee (in alphabetical order)

Mr. Babagana ABUBAKAR  
Nationality: Nigeria  
Mailing address: Maiduguri (Borno), Nigeria  
Name of the accredited observer which nominates the candidate: Kanuri Development Association  
Seat of the accredited observer: Maiduguri (Borno), Nigeria

Mr. Hamadi AG MOHAMED ABBA  
Nationality: Mali  
Mailing address: Nouakchott, Mauritania  
Name of the accredited observer which nominates the candidate: ADJMOR  
Seat of the accredited observer: Tombouctou, Mali

Mr. Alpha Amadou BAH  
Nationality: Guinea  
Mailing address: Conakry, Guinea  
Name of the accredited observer which nominates the candidate: Association Guinéo-Maghrebine pour la promotion économique et culturelle (AGUIMAG)  
Seat of the accredited observer: Conakry, Guinea

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See the Annex to document WIPO/GRTKF/IC/26/INF/6 dated February 6, 2014
Mrs. Edith Magnolia BASTIDAS CALDERÓN  
Nationality: Colombia  
Mailing address: Nariño, Colombia  
Name of the accredited observer which nominates the candidate: Centro de Estudios Multidisciplinarios Aymara (CEM Amayra)  
Seat of the accredited observer: La Paz, Bolivia

Mr. Estebancio CASTRO DIAZ  
Nationality: Panama  
Mailing address: Wellington, New Zealand  
Name of the accredited observer which nominates the candidate: International Indian Treaty Council  
Seat of the accredited observer: Panama City, Panama

Mr. Nelson DE LEÓN KANTULE  
Nationality: Panama  
Mailing address: Panama City, Panama  
Name of the accredited observer which nominates the candidate: Asociación Kunas Unidos por Napguana (KUNA)  
Seat of the accredited observer: Corregimiento San Felipe, Panama

Mr. Brou KOUAME  
Nationality: Côte d’Ivoire  
Mailing address: Abidjan, Côte d’Ivoire  
Name of the accredited observer which nominates the candidate: Action genre et developpement économique et social (AGEDES)  
Seat of the accredited observer: Abidjan, Côte d’Ivoire

Ms. Jackline Margis KURARU  
Nationality: Kenya  
Mailing address: Nanyuki, Kenya  
Name of the accredited observer which nominates the candidate: Maasai Cultural Heritage Foundation  
Seat of the accredited observer: Nanyuki, Kenya

Mrs. Cecilia Eneck NDIFON  
Nationality: Cameroon  
Mailing address: Ekmen-Batibo, Cameroon  
Name of the accredited observer which nominates the candidate: Association of the Reconstruction and Development of the Moko-oh People (AFTRADEMOP)  
Seat of the accredited observer: Ekmen-Batibo, Cameroon

Mrs. Dora OGBOI  
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
Mr. Dilip Singh RAI  
Nationality: Nepal  
Mailing address: Sagarmatha, Nepal  
Name of the accredited observer which nominates the candidate: Association of Nepal Kirat Kulung Language and Cultural Development (ANKKLCD)  
Seat of the accredited observer: Dharan, Nepal

Mr. Kamal Kumar RAI  
Nationality: Nepal  
Mailing address: Kathmandu, Nepal  
Name of the accredited observer which nominates the candidate: Himalayan Folklore and Biodiversity Study Program, IPs Society for Wetland Biodiversity Conservation Nepal  
Seat of the accredited observer: Kathmandu, Nepal

Mr. Stephen RWAGWERI  
Nationality: Uganda  
Mailing address: Fort Portal, Uganda  
Name of the accredited observer which nominates the candidate: Engabu Za Tooro (Tooro Youth Platform for Action)  
Seat of the accredited observer: Fort Portal, Uganda

Mrs. Chinara SADYKOVA  
Nationality: Kyrgyzstan  
Mailing address: Bishkek, Kyrgyzstan  
Name of the accredited observer which nominates the candidate: Public Association Regional Centers for Education for Sustainable Development RCE Kyrgyzstan  
Seat of the accredited observer: Bishkek, Kyrgyzstan

Ms. Tarisi VUNIDILO  
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

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

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