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RESOLUTIONS AND RECOMMENDATIONS ADOPTED BY VARIOUS BODIES AND ORGANIZATIONS OF THE UNITED NATIONS SYSTEM CONCERNING THE WORLD DECADE FOR CULTURAL DEVELOPMENT
I. UNITED NATIONS GENERAL ASSEMBLY
RESOLUTION A/41/187 OF THE UNITED NATIONS GENERAL ASSEMBLY, AT ITS 41ST SESSION

(New York, 8 December 1986)

A/41/187 Proclamation of the World Decade for Cultural Development

The General Assembly,

Considering recommendation No 27 adopted by the World Conference on Cultural Policies convened by the United Nations Educational, Scientific and Cultural Organization at Mexico City in 1982, in which it recommended that the General Conference of the United Nations Educational, Scientific and Cultural Organization propose to the General Assembly of the United Nations the proclamation of a world decade for cultural development,

Considering also resolution 11.20 and 11.10 adopted by the General Conference of the United Nations Educational, Scientific and Cultural Organization at its twenty-second and twenty-third sessions, respectively,

Recalling Economic and Social Council resolution 1986/69 of 23 July 1986, in which the Council recommended that the General Assembly take a decision at its forty-first session on the question of the proclamation of a world decade for cultural development,

Taking into account the interest that the international community, including the organizations of the United Nations system, have shown in the proposed decade,

Recognizing that voluntary efforts at the national level by interested individuals and non-governmental and governmental organizations are principal vehicles for advancing the objectives of the decade,

Taking note of the draft plan of action for the world decade for cultural development, submitted by the Director-General of the United Nations Educational, Scientific and Cultural Organization,

1. Proclaims the period 1988-1997 the World Decade for Cultural Development, to be observed under the auspices of the United Nations and the United Nations Educational, Scientific and Cultural Organization,

2. Approves the four main objectives of the Decade: acknowledging the cultural dimension of development; affirming and enriching cultural identities; broadening

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1 E/1984/53, p. 14
2 Ibid., Annex I
3 E/1986/116, Annex
4 E/1986/L.30, Annex
participation in culture; promoting international cultural co-operation;

3. Invites all States, intergovernmental and international non-governmental organizations, and interested individuals to take an active part in the fulfilment of the objectives of the Decade and, for that purpose, to make available, on a voluntary basis and taking into consideration their particular situation, priorities and means, the necessary intellectual, human and financial resources;

4. Encourages the organs, organizations and bodies of the United Nations system participating in the fulfilment of the objectives of the Decade to do so in a manner that is in accordance with established programme priorities and does not entail additional financial implications for non-voluntarily funded programmes;

5. Requests the Secretary-General to ensure, through the Administrative Committee on Co-ordination, that activities undertaken by the United Nations system in support of the Decade are co-ordinated in such a manner as to avoid duplication and overlap;

6. Requests the Secretary-General of the United Nations and the Director-General of the United Nations Educational, Scientific and Cultural Organization to report biennially to the General Assembly, through the Economic and Social Council at its second regular session, on the progress of the World Decade for Cultural Development.
A/44/238 World Decade for Cultural Development

The General Assembly,

Recalling its resolution 41/187 of 8 December 1986, in which it proclaimed the period 1988-1997 the World Decade for Cultural Development, to be observed under the auspices of the United Nations and the United Nations Educational, Scientific and Cultural Organization,

Taking note of Economic and Social Council resolution 1989/107 of 27 July 1989,

Recognizing the importance of cultural development based on the affirmation and enrichment of the cultural identities of all countries and its close relationship to overall development,

Welcoming the progress made by Member States and by non-governmental organizations in developing activities within the framework of the Decade,


2. Invites Member States that have not yet done so to establish national committees for the Decade and otherwise to strengthen their efforts to implement the Plan of Action for the Decade;

3. Expresses its appreciation to those countries that have provided voluntary contributions in the form of consultant services to the secretariat of the Decade and encourages other countries, international organizations and other organizations to make voluntary contributions in support of the Decade;

4. Invites the organizations and programmes of the United Nations system to continue their efforts to develop activities within the framework of the Decade, in accordance with directives of the Administrative Committee on Co-ordination;

5. Requests the Secretary-General, in co-operation with the Director-General of the United Nations Educational, Scientific and Cultural Organization, to strengthen co-ordination of the activities undertaken by

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1 A/44/284-E/1989/109
2 E/1986/L.30, annex
3 ACC/1988/2/Add.3, sect.I.C.
the organizations and programmes of the United Nations system in support of the Decade;

6. **Emphasizes** the importance of taking the cultural dimension of development into account in the elaboration of the international development strategy for the fourth United Nations development decade and in the working documents for the special session of the General Assembly devoted to international economic co-operation in particular to the revitalization of economic growth and development of the developing countries, to be held in 1990;

7. **Reaffirms** its support for the recommendations of the Nairobi Forward-looking Strategies for the Advancement of Women,4 aimed at promoting women's participation in the World Decade for Cultural Development, in particular those relating to better integration and promotion of women in the objectives of the Decade;

8. **Requests** the Secretary-General, with the assistance of the Director-General of the United Nations Educational, Scientific and Cultural Organization, to obtain the views of Governments, appropriate organs and organizations of the United Nations system and relevant intergovernmental and non-governmental organizations on the objectives and scope of the global review for the purpose of evaluation, as recommended in paragraph 92 of the report of the Secretary-General and the Director-General on the Decade, and to submit those views to the General Assembly at its forty-fifth session, through the Economic and Social Council;

9. **Expresses** its support for the recommendation in paragraph 92 of the report of the Secretary-General and the Director-General for the conduct of an evaluation at the mid-point of the Decade in 1993, under the auspices of the United Nations and the United Nations Educational, Scientific and Cultural Organization, in order to evaluate the implementation of the Plan of Action for the Decade;


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The General Assembly,

Recalling its resolution 41/187 of 10 December 1986, in which it proclaimed the period of 1988-1997 the World Decade for Cultural Development,

Taking into account its resolution 44/238 of 22 December 1989, in which it expressed its support for the conduct of an evaluation at the mid-point of the World Decade for Cultural Development, in 1993, under the auspices of the United Nations and the United Nations Educational, Scientific and Cultural Organization, in order to evaluate the implementation of the Plan of Action for the Decade,

Taking into account paragraph 87 of the International Development Strategy for the Fourth United Nations Development Decade, in which it was stated inter alia that each country has to choose its approach to human resource and institutional development in accordance with its national priorities, values, traditions and culture, and stage of development,

Recalling Economic and Social Council resolution 1990/88 of 17 July 1990,

Welcoming the progress made by Member States, organizations and programmes of the United Nations system and international non-governmental organizations in the implementation of the Plan of Action for the World Decade for Cultural Development,

1. Takes note with appreciation of the report of the Secretary-General on the mid-term review of the World Decade for Cultural Development;

2. Reaffirms its support for a mid-term review to assess the progress made in implementing the Plan of Action for the Decade and to make proposals to further strengthen activities in this area, taking into account the changing circumstances and the new realities in the international community;

3. Invites the regional commissions, in consultation with Governments and intergovernmental and non-governmental organizations, to carry out, within existing resources, an evaluation of the cultural factors influencing the development of the cultural sector as a potential creator of jobs and generator of income, for consideration at the mid-term review of the Decade, in 1993;

1 Resolution 45/199, annex.
4. **Recommends** that the organs, organizations and bodies of the United Nations system consider including activities relating to the Decade in the programme for the biennium 1992-1993, and requests them to co-ordinate those activities;

5. **Invites** the Secretary-General of the United Nations and the Director-General of the United Nations Educational, Scientific and Cultural Organization to include specific proposals, taking into account the views of Governments, on the modalities of a mid-term review in the second biennial report on progress in the implementation of the World Decade for Cultural Development, to be submitted to the General Assembly at its forty-sixth session, through the Economic and Social Council;

6. **Decides** to include, on a biennial basis in its provisional agenda for subsequent sessions, a sub-item entitled "World Decade for Cultural Development" under the item entitled "Development and international economic cooperation".
RESOLUTION A/46/157 ADOPTED BY THE UNITED NATIONS
GENERAL ASSEMBLY, AT ITS 46TH SESSION

(New York, 19 December 1991)

A/46/157 World Decade for Cultural Development

The General Assembly,

Recalling its resolution 41/187 of 8 December 1986, in
which it proclaimed the period 1988-1997 the World Decade
for Cultural Development, to be observed under the auspices
of the United Nations and the United Nations Educational,
Scientific and Cultural Organization,

Taking into consideration Economic and Social Council
resolution 1991/65 of 26 July 1991,

Acknowledging with satisfaction the progress made by
Member States and intergovernmental and non-governmental
organizations in implementing the Plan of Action for the
World Decade for Cultural Development, and encouraging
them to pursue their efforts in this respect, especially in
the context of the International Development Strategy for
the Fourth United Nations Development Decade,

Taking into account resolution 26 C/3.2 adopted by the
General Conference of the United Nations Educational,
Scientific and Cultural Organization at its twenty-sixth
session,

1. Takes note of the report of the Secretary-General
of the United Nations and the Director-General of the
United Nations Educational, Scientific and Cultural
Organization on the progress of the World Decade for
Cultural Development (1988-1997) during the period 1990-
1991;

2. Approves the recommendation contained in paragraph
89(d) of the report, aimed at focusing the mid-term review
on preparing a provisional evaluation of the implementation
of the World Decade for Cultural Development, reviewing
some of its goals, selecting a more limited number of
priorities and defining specific tasks for the second phase
of the Decade, so as to give greater impetus to the
implementation of the Plan of Action for the Decade;

3. Invites the Secretary-General of the United Nations
and the Director-General of the United Nations Educational,
Scientific and Cultural Organization to undertake the
preparation of a global mid-term review of the World Decade
for Cultural Development, to be carried out by the General
Assembly at its forty-ninth session, in 1994; the
preparation should include the following:

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1 E/1986/L.30, annex
2 Resolution 45/199,
3 A/46/160-E/1991/66
(a) Written consultations with Member States and appropriate international governmental and non-governmental organizations, to be carried out by the United Nations Educational, Scientific and Cultural Organization in 1992, with the aim of evaluating the implementation of the Decade, including an evaluation of the cultural factors influencing the development of the cultural sector as a potential creator of jobs and generator of income, to be carried out by the regional commissions in 1993, as specified by the Assembly in paragraph 3 of its resolution 45/189 of 21 December 1990;

(b) The elaboration of a summary evaluation report based on the results obtained from the written consultations with Member States, intergovernmental and non-governmental organizations, as well as on the contributions from the regional commissions; the summary evaluation report would serve as the main working document for the mid-term review and would be prepared by the Director-General of the United Nations Educational, Scientific and Cultural Organization;

(c) An examination of the summary evaluation report by the Intergovernmental Committee of the World Decade for Cultural Development, established by the General Conference of the United Nations Educational, Scientific and Cultural Organization in its resolution 24 C/11.13;

4. Invites all States, intergovernmental and non-governmental organizations, as well as organs, organizations and bodies of the United Nations system, to contribute actively to the mid-term review of the implementation of the Plan of Action for the Decade.
The General Assembly,

Recalling its resolution 41/187 of 8 December 1986, in which it proclaimed the period 1988-1997 the World Decade for Cultural Development,

Recalling also Economic and Social Council resolution 1991/65 of 26 July 1991, in which the Council noted the suggestion made at the 11th meeting of the First (Economic) Committee, on 18 July 1991, that the United Nations and the United Nations Educational, Scientific and Cultural Organization jointly establish an international commission to prepare a report on culture and development,


1. Takes note of resolution 26 C/3.4 of the General Conference of the United Nations Educational, Scientific and Cultural Organization on the establishment of a World Commission on Culture and Development;

2. Requests the Secretary-General to cooperate with the Director-General of the United Nations Educational, Scientific and Cultural Organization as the latter proceeds in:

(a) Establishing an independent World Commission on Culture and Development comprising women and men drawn from all regions and eminent in diverse disciplines, to prepare a world report on culture and development and proposals for both urgent and long-term action to meet cultural needs in the context of development;

(b) Appointing, after such consultations as they deem necessary, the Chairperson of the Commission and, in cooperation with the Chairperson, selecting the other twelve members of the Commission;

3. Expects the World Commission to submit its final report to the General Conference of the United Nations Educational, Scientific and Cultural Organization and to the United Nations General Assembly no later than three years after it begins its work, and to direct its report to intergovernmental, governmental and non-governmental forums, to individuals and to the general public in order to promote wide dissemination and follow-up;

4. Decides to consider the report of the World Commission on Culture and Development at an appropriate future session.
RESOLUTION A/49/105 ADOPTED BY THE UNITED NATIONS
GENERAL ASSEMBLY AT ITS 49TH SESSION

New York, 19 December 1994

A/49/105 - Cultural development

The General Assembly,

Recalling its resolution 41/187 of 8 December 1986, in which it proclaimed the period 1988–1997 the World Decade for Cultural Development, to be observed under the auspices of the United Nations and the United Nations Educational, Scientific and Cultural Organization,

Recalling also its resolution 46/157 of 19 November 1991, in which it invited the Secretary-General of the United Nations and the Director-General of the United Nations Educational, Scientific and Cultural Organization to undertake the preparation of a global mid-term review of the Decade, including an examination by the Intergovernmental Committee of the World Decade for Cultural Development of the summary evaluation report to be prepared by the Director-General of the United Nations Educational, Scientific and Cultural Organization,

Taking into account resolution 27 C3.2 of 13 November 1993, adopted by the General Conference of the United Nations Educational, Scientific and Cultural Organization at its twenty-seventh session,

Recalling its resolution 46/158 of 19 December 1991, in which it endorsed the establishment of an independent World Commission on Culture and Development,

Taking into consideration Economic and Social Council resolution 1994/32 of 27 July 1994,


2. Also takes note of the examination of the mid-term summary evaluation report of the Director-General of the United Nations Educational, Scientific and Cultural Organization on the Plan of Action for the Decade; ²


3. **Acknowledges** the progress made by Member States and intergovernmental and non-governmental organizations in implementing the Plan of Action for the World Decade for Cultural Development,¹ and encourages them to pursue their efforts in this respect during the second part of the Decade;

4. **Welcomes** the establishment of the independent World Commission on Culture and Development and looks forward to its report as requested in resolution 46/158;

5. **Invites** all States and intergovernmental and non-governmental organizations, and, within existing budgetary resources, organs, organizations and bodies of the United Nations system:

(a) When undertaking activities in connection with the Decade, to concentrate efforts on interdisciplinary projects of a regional and interregional scope and to encourage the formation of different types of partnerships for their implementation;

(b) To find appropriate ways to integrate cultural factors into all endeavours aimed at social and economic development and at the same time to promote intercultural understanding and appreciation;

6. **Invites** the regional commissions to consider undertaking, as a contribution to the final evaluation report on the Decade, in consultation with Governments and intergovernmental and non-governmental organizations, a study of the cultural factors influencing development as a potential creator of jobs and generator of income;

7. **Decides** to include in the provisional agenda of its fifty-first session a sub-item entitled "Cultural development", and requests the Secretary-General of the United Nations and the Director-General of the United Nations Educational, Scientific and Cultural Organization to submit a further progress report on the implementation of the Decade to the General Assembly through the Economic and Social Council in 1996.

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¹ E/1986/L.30, annex.
II. UNITED NATIONS SYSTEM
SUMMARY OF CONCLUSIONS


The Committee considered a working paper submitted by the United Nations Educational, Scientific and Cultural Organization (UNESCO) concerning proposed activities to be undertaken by the organizations of the United Nations in relation to the World Decade for Cultural Development.

The Committee, on behalf of ACC, noted that the Consultative Committee on Substantive Questions (Programme Matters) (CCSQ) (PROG) had expressed its support for the measures proposed by UNESCO, which were as follows:

(a) Organizations of the United Nations system should consider including in their next medium-term plans, as well as in the first biennial period of those plans, two or three activities specifically designed to further the first two objectives of the Decade;

(b) In order to collect practical knowledge of what is meant by acknowledgement of the cultural dimension of development, the concerned organizations of the system should consider identifying a small number of projects for which they are the executing agency and which lend themselves to a careful study of the interaction between the tangible and non-tangible factors involved. The selection of the projects should be preceded by a study of the socio-cultural factors likely to play a role in the implementation of the projects, which should be monitored closely during the period of implementation;

(c) UNESCO will provide, through consultancy arrangements, the necessary expertise for such pre-studies and for the follow-up and evaluation of the projects and will, in certain cases, finance the extra costs entailed. UNESCO will collect and systematize the experience gained from the projects in order to examine the extent to which the conclusions could be generalized and result in practical guidelines for the planning of future projects;

(d) In order to promote the integration of the cultural dimension into development projects, resident co-ordinators and resident representatives should be provided with a brochure explaining the objectives of such an exercise and providing some provisional advice. Such a brochure could be produced rapidly by UNESCO in collaboration with the United Nations Development Programme (UNDP).

The Committee encouraged UNESCO to contact the organizations of the system with a view to the implementation of the above-mentioned proposals, and noted that ACC, at its second regular session of 1988, would be informed of the progress made to date in the achievement of the objectives of the Decade.
E/RES/1989/107 - World Decade for Cultural Development

The Economic and Social Council,

Recalling General Assembly resolution 41/187 of 8 December 1986, in which the Assembly proclaimed the period 1988-1997 the World Decade for Cultural Development, to be observed under the auspices of the United Nations and the United Nations Educational, Scientific and Cultural Organization,

Noting that, in addition to the regional meetings listed in the report of the Secretary-General of the United Nations and of the Director-General of the United Nations Educational, Scientific and Cultural Organization, 1 the National Committees for the United Nations Educational, Scientific and Cultural Organization in the Arab States met in Nouakchott, Mauritania, in June 1989 to co-ordinate their efforts to implement the Decade,


2. Invites Member States, intergovernmental organizations and non-governmental organizations to strengthen their efforts, as appropriate, in the implementation of the World Decade for Cultural Development;

3. Requests the Secretary-General, in co-operation with the Director-General of the United Nations Educational, Scientific and Cultural Organization, to take the measures necessary to reinforce the co-ordination of the activities undertaken by the organizations of the United Nations system in support of the Decade through the Administrative Committee on Co-ordination; such measures might include the establishment of a steering committee, if appropriate.

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1 see A/44/284-E/1989/109, par. 35 to 37
2 A/43/341-E/1988/80, annex, appendix I
RESOLUTION E/RES/1990/88 ADOPTED BY
THE ECONOMIC AND SOCIAL COUNCIL (ECOSOC)
AT ITS SECOND REGULAR SESSION OF 1990
(Geneva, 4-27 July 1990)

E/RES/1990/88 - World Decade for Cultural Development

The Economic and Social Council,

Recalling General Assembly resolution 44/238 of 22 December 1989,
in which the Assembly expressed its support for the conduct of
an evaluation at the mid-point of the World Decade for Cultural
Development in 1993, under the auspices of the United Nations and
the United Nations Educational, Scientific and Cultural
Organization,

Taking into account its own resolution 1989/107 of 27 July 1989,

1. Takes note of the report of the Secretary-General on the
   mid-term review of the World Decade for Cultural
   Development;¹

2. Invites the Secretary-General and the Director General of
   the United Nations Educational, Scientific and Cultural
   Organization to continue their inquiry into the appropriate
   means for undertaking a mid-term review of the World Decade
   for Cultural Development.

¹ A/45/277-E/1990/77
E/RES/1991/65 - World Decade for Cultural Development

The Economic and Social Council,

Recalling General Assembly resolution 41/187 of 8 December 1986, in which the Assembly proclaimed the period 1988-1997 the World Decade for Cultural Development,

Taking into account General Assembly resolution 45/189 of 21 December 1990, in which the Assembly invited the Secretary-General of the United Nations and the Director-General of the United Nations Educational, Scientific and Cultural Organization to include specific proposals on the modalities of a mid-term review, taking into account the views of Governments, in the second biennial report on progress in the implementation of the World Decade for Cultural Development to be submitted to the General Assembly at its forty-sixth session through the Economic and Social Council,

Welcoming the progress achieved and the efforts made by Member States, organizations and programmes of the United Nations system and intergovernmental and international non-governmental organizations to implement the Plan of Action for the Decade, and encouraging the continuation of such efforts,

Noting proposals that the United Nations and the United Nations Educational, Scientific and Cultural Organization jointly establish an international commission to prepare a report on culture and development,


2. Invites Governments, organizations and programmes of the United Nations system and intergovernmental organizations to accord greater priority to the cultural factors affecting development, particularly in the implementation of the International Development Strategy for the Fourth United Nations Development Decade;²

3. Expresses support for a global mid-term review of the World Decade for Cultural Development based upon the proposals outlined in paragraph 89 of the report of the Secretary-General of the United Nations and the Director-General of

¹ A/46/160-E/1991/66
² General Assembly resolution 45/199, annex
the United Nations Educational, Scientific and Cultural Organization, on the understanding that the special debate on the Decade should take place at the forty-ninth session of the General Assembly, to be held in 1994, and the work involving the regional commissions should be undertaken in 1993.
RESOLUTION 1994/32 ADOPTED BY THE ECONOMIC AND SOCIAL COUNCIL AT ITS SUBSTANTIVE SESSION OF 1994

New York, 27 July 1994

E/RES/1994/32 – Cultural development

The Economic and Social Council,

Recalling General Assembly resolution 41/187 of 8 December 1986, in which the Assembly proclaimed the period 1988–1997 the World Decade for Cultural Development,

Recalling also General Assembly resolution 46/157 of 19 November 1991, in which the Assembly invited the Secretary-General of the United Nations and the Director-General of the United Nations Educational, Scientific and Cultural Organization to undertake the preparation of a global mid-term review of the Decade, including an examination by the Intergovernmental Committee of the World Decade for Cultural Development of the summary evaluation report to be prepared by the Director-General of the United Nations Educational, Scientific and Cultural Organization.

Recalling further resolution 27 C/3.2 of 13 November 1993 of the General Conference of the United Nations Educational, Scientific and Cultural Organization in which the Conference set out the guidelines for the second half of the Decade,

Acknowledging the progress made by Member States and intergovernmental and non-governmental organizations in implementing the Plan of Action for the World Decade for Cultural Development and encouraging them to pursue their efforts in this respect during the second part of the Decade,


2. Also takes note of the examination of the mid-term summary evaluation report of the Director-General of the United Nations Educational, Scientific and Cultural Organization on the Plan of Action for the Decade;

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3. **Invites** all States and intergovernmental and non-governmental organizations, as well as organs, organizations and bodies of the United Nations system:

   (a) When undertaking activities in connection with the Decade, to concentrate efforts on interdisciplinary projects of a regional and interregional scope and to encourage the formation of different types of partnerships for their implementation;

   (b) To find appropriate ways to integrate cultural factors into all endeavours aiming at social and economic development;

4. **Invites** the regional commissions to undertake, as a contribution to the final evaluation report on the Decade, in consultation with Governments and intergovernmental and non-governmental organizations, a study of the cultural factors influencing development as a potential creator of jobs and generator of income.
III. UNESCO
WORLD CONFERENCE ON CULTURAL POLICIES  
(Mexico City, 26 July-6 August 1982)  
Recommendation No. 27

World Decade for Cultural Development

The Conference,

Noting with satisfaction the achievements of the cultural policies and practices of the Member States over the last ten years,

Emphasizing that culture constitutes a fundamental part of the life of each individual and of each community and that, consequently, development - whose ultimate aim should be focused on man - must have a cultural dimension,

Noting that efforts to promote cultural development form part of the peoples' aspirations to achieve political liberation and socio-economic development,

Considering that action to promote culture should be considered in the international perspective, as an imperative of world development conducive to peace,

Recognizing the work UNESCO has undertaken to promote culture and the equality of the cultures of different peoples,

Recalling Article I of the Charter of the United Nations,

1. Recommends that the General Conference of UNESCO propose to the General Assembly of the United Nations the proclamation of a World Decade for Cultural Development and that it authorize the Director-General to take the appropriate measures in this connection;

2. Requests the General Assembly of the United Nations to study the possibility of including among its objectives for the Third Development Decade the implementation of a Plan of Action within the framework of a World Decade for Cultural Development in order to eradicate illiteracy, ensure broad participation in culture and emphasize the cultural dimension of development and the affirmation of the cultural identity of each nation.
DECISION 5.3.2 ADOPTED BY THE EXECUTIVE BOARD
AT ITS 122ND SESSION

(Paris, September-October 1985)

5.3.2 - Report by the Director-General on the World Decade for Cultural Development
(122 EX/14 and 122 EX/39)

The Executive Board,

1. Recalling the fundamental problems of culture as defined by the World Conference on Cultural Policies (Mexico City, 1982),

2. Recalling resolution 11.20 adopted by the General Conference at its twenty-second session concerning the proclamation by the United Nations General Assembly of a World Decade for Cultural Development, which would be observed under the auspices of the United Nations and UNESCO,

3. Having examined the report of the Director-General on the results of the notification of the proposed Decade to the Secretary-General of the United Nations and of the consultation of organizations of the United Nations system concerning the preparation of a draft plan of action for the Decade,

4. Notes with satisfaction the major lines of approach formulated in connection with the four major objectives assigned to the Decade,

5. Recalls in this connection that, at its 120th and 121st sessions, on the occasion of the examination of the Draft Programme and Budget for 1986-1987, it expressed the wish that special attention might be paid to the objectives concerned with the acknowledgement of the cultural dimension of development and the promotion of international cultural co-operation,

6. Welcomes the favourable reception given by many organizations of the United Nations system to the proposed Decade and the contribution that they may make to the implementation of the Decade's plan of action, the draft of which the Director-General will submit to the General Conference at its twenty-third session,

7. Takes note of the report of the Director-General.

(122 EX/SR.16)
5.4.1 - Report by the Director-General on the World Decade for Cultural Development
(124 EX/18 and 124 EX/51)

The Executive Board,

1. Recalling resolution 11.10 adopted by the General Conference at its twenty-third session, following the Director-General's presentation of a Draft Plan of Action for the World Decade for Cultural Development (23 C/16),

2. Recalling in particular that through this resolution, the General Conference approved the main points and major proposals of the Plan and invited the Director-General to submit to the Executive Board at its 124th session a revised version of the Plan, taking account of the observations made at the twenty-third session of the General Conference and the consultations subsequently held with the various parties concerned,

3. Welcomes the favourable reaction of Member States, the organizations of the United Nations system and the international and non-governmental organizations to the proposed Decade,

4. Emphasizes the importance of the contribution that each of the participants can make to the success of the proposed Decade,

5. Affirms the special competence of UNESCO by virtue of its constitution to prepare for and implement the World Decade for Cultural Development,

6. Notes with satisfaction the revised version of the Plan of Action submitted by the Director-General (124 EX/18),

7. Invites the Director-General to highlight, under the four major objectives assigned to the Decade, the importance of science and artistic creation as essential components of a dynamic cultural life in the contemporary world,

8. Approves the lines of emphasis proposed by the Director-General concerning the types of activity to be provided for under the Decade in UNESCO's Draft Programme and Budget for 1988-1989 (24 C/5) and requests the Director-General to amplify them in the light of the observations formulated by the Board,

9. Likewise approves the Director-General's proposals concerning the machinery to be set up for co-ordinating the implementation of the Plan of Action,
10. **Invites** the Director-General:

(a) to transmit the Plan of Action together with this decision to the United Nations General Assembly in accordance with established procedure, so that the Assembly may proclaim the World Decade for Cultural Development at its 41st session, in order to make it possible for the Decade to be launched in 1988 under the auspices of the United Nations and UNESCO;

(b) to continue consultations or negotiations with a view to expanding the Draft Programme of Action and encouraging the active participation of as many people as possible in its implementation.
DECISION 5.4.5. ADOPTED BY THE EXECUTIVE BOARD
AT ITS 126TH SESSION

(Paris, May 1987)

5.4.5 - Report by the Director-General on the proposed setting up of an Intergovernmental Committee to be responsible for following and evaluating the implementation of the World Decade for Cultural Development
(126 EX/24 and 126 EX/43, Part I)

The Executive Board,


2. Recalling that, in adopting 23 C/Resolution 11.10, the General Conference session approved the main points and major proposals set forth in the report of the Director-General on the Draft Plan of Action for the World Decade for Cultural Development, relating in particular to the machinery for co-ordination,

3. Also recalling 124 EX/Decision 5.4.1, whereby it approved, in particular, the Director-General's proposals concerning the machinery to be set up for co-ordinating the implementation of the Plan of Action,

4. Emphasizing that, in the Plan of Action contained in document 124 EX/18, it was proposed that an Intergovernmental Committee be set up, with responsibility for following and evaluating the implementation of the Plan,

5. Takes note with satisfaction of the report submitted by the Director-General in document 126 EX/24 on the proposed setting-up of this Committee and of the draft statutes annexed to that report,

6. Invites the Director-General to finalize the report and the draft statutes in the light of the observations reflected in the report of the Programme and External Relations Commission, and to transmit them, with this decision, to the General Conference, in order to enable it to take a decision on the setting-up of the Intergovernmental Committee and, possibly, to proceed to elect its members.
DECISION 5.5.2 ADOPTED BY THE EXECUTIVE BOARD
AT ITS 129TH SESSION
(Paris, 25 May-10 June 1988)

5.5.2 - Progess of work on the implementation of the World Decade for Cultural Development
(129 EX/25 and 129 EX/37)

The Executive Board,

1. Recalling resolution 41/187 by which the United Nations General Assembly, at its forty-first session, proclaimed the World Decade for Cultural Development, and 24 C/Resolution 11.12 adopted by the General Conference on the Decade,

2. Noting with satisfaction the measures taken by the Director-General to launch the implementation of the Plan of Action for the Decade,

3. Taking into consideration the growing interest of Member States in meeting the objectives and purposes of the Decade, as reflected in the establishment of national committees for the Decade, and in the solemn proclamation of the Decade in a number of countries,

4. Stressing once more the special significance and the profound importance of the World Decade for Cultural Development in:
   (a) shaping a new outlook in the world based on mutual confidence and understanding;
   (b) enhancing co-operation for development and strengthening international cultural co-operation;

5. Emphasizing that the World Decade for Cultural Development should promote recognition of intellectual and moral solidarity among peoples as a value common to all mankind,

6. Considering it urgent in this regard to give fresh impetus to the preparation and rapid launching of the Plan of Action for the Decade, both within UNESCO and the whole United Nations system and at national and regional levels,

7. Appeals to Member States:
   (a) to take measures for the wide dissemination among cultural, scientific and educational communities of the ideals, objectives and purposes of the Decade;
   (b) to establish national committees for the World Decade for Cultural Development, where they do not yet exist,
which would mobilize broad participation by scientific and cultural communities in the implementation of the Decade's projects and programmes;

(c) to encourage international cultural exchanges in every way, especially by making the cultural heritage and cultural life of all countries and all peoples more widely known;

(d) to ensure respect for the standards that guarantee the maintenance of international cultural relations by basing them on moral principles;

8. **Recommends** that the Director-General:

(a) pay special attention to the implementation of the activities in the UNESCO Programme and Budget for 1988-1989 aimed at implementing the objectives and purposes of the Decade;

(b) enlist wide support from international and national non-governmental organizations and representatives of the world of science and culture for the execution of the Decade's programmes;

(c) draw the attention of the UNESCO Regional Offices to the need for systematic efforts to popularize the Decade's objectives and programmes among scientific and cultural communities and non-governmental organizations co-operating with UNESCO, and to encourage these communities and organizations to help to achieve them,

(d) inform public opinion as widely as possible of the activities undertaken by UNESCO in connection with the Decade, and to study the possibility of reflecting in UNESCO's existing publications the major cultural events of Member States and the exchanges Member States carry out with one another; or envisage bringing out a new biannual publication with a view to making them known.

*(129 EX/SR 1 and 14)*
DECISION 5.4.3 ADOPTED BY THE EXECUTIVE BOARD
AT ITS 131ST SESSION

(Paris, 17 May-22 June 1989)

5.4.3 - Interim Report by the Intergovernmental Committee
of the World Decade for Cultural Development
(131 EX/41 and 131 EX/48)

The Executive Board,

1. Recalling resolution 41/187, in which the United Nations
   General Assembly, at its forty-first session, proclaimed
   the World Decade for Cultural Development and the Plan of
   Action for the Decade (E/1986/L.30),

2. Recalling likewise 24 C/Resolution 11.12 adopted by the
   General Conference, particularly operative paragraph 1,
   inviting Member States to implement significant activities
   drawn up along interdisciplinary lines, having an
   innovatory character; to co-ordinate the human and
   financial resources available for this purpose; to create
   national committees and co-operate with the
   Intergovernmental Committee for the Decade,

3. Bearing in mind 129 EX/Decision 5.5.2, concerning the
   progress of work on the implementation of the World Decade
   for Cultural Development, in particular paragraph 7, in
   which Member States are invited to promote the Decade by
   establishing national committees, encouraging international
   cultural exchanges and ensuring respect for the standards
   that guarantee the maintenance of international cultural
   relations by basing them on moral principles,

4. Emphasizing once more that the success of the Decade will
   depend essentially on the political will of all the
   interested partners, most of all the Member States and
   those responsible for development planning, and on their
   determination to take into consideration the cultural
   dimension in development,

5. Noting the interim report of the Intergovernmental
   Committee of the World Decade for Cultural Development (131
   EX/41),

6. Endorses the concerns expressed by the Bureau of the
   Intergovernmental Committee regarding the need to provide
   adequate resources to ensure the proper functioning of the
   Decade secretariat and to improve the functioning of the
   decision-making, evaluation and co-ordinating bodies and
   units set up for the Decade;

7. Invites Member States that have not already done so to
   establish their national committees or appropriate bodies
within their national structures and inform UNESCO of the composition of those bodies and their activities;

8. **Invites** the Director-General to study the possibility of drawing on extra-budgetary sources and private funds through a specific fund-raising effort for the implementation of the Plan of Action for the Decade;

9. **Further invites** the Director-General to establish closer intersectoral links between the activities provided for in Major Programme Area III in respect of the World Decade for Cultural Development and all the other major programme areas.

(131 EX/SR 1 and 29)
DECISION 4.3.2 ADOPTED BY THE EXECUTIVE BOARD
AT ITS 134TH SESSION

(Paris, 9-18 May 1990)

4.3.2 - Report by the Director-General on an International Programme for the World Decade for Cultural Development and recommendations of the Intergovernmental Committee of the World Decade for Cultural Development thereon
(134 EX/13 and Corr. and 134 EX/34)

The Executive Board,

1. Recalling 25 C/Resolution 3.4 adopted by the General Conference,

2. Having examined the revised Report of the Director-General on the possible setting-up of an International Programme for the World Decade for Cultural Development,

3. Takes note of the revised Report of the Director-General,

4. Invites the Director-General to take into account the recommendations on the revised Report on an International Programme adopted by the Intergovernmental Committee of the World Decade for Cultural Development at its second regular session 5-9 February 1990,

5. Approves the proposal to set up an International Programme for the World Decade for Cultural Development,

6. Invites the Director-General to make proposals thereon in document 26 C/5, with a view to their being transmitted for examination and a decision to the General Conference at its twenty-sixth session.

(134 EX/SR 1 and 7)
5.3.3 - Report by the Intergovernmental Committee of the World Decade for Cultural Development  
(135 EX/13 and 135 EX/30)

The Executive Board,

1. Recalling 24 C/Resolution 11.13 by which the General Conference decided to set up the Intergovernmental Committee of the World Decade for Cultural Development,

2. Also recalling 25 C/Resolution 3.4 concerning the Decade, in which the General Conference stresses the need to strengthen the programmes planned for the Decade and, more specifically:

   (a) reaffirms (para. 3) the importance of taking the cultural dimension of development into account in the international development strategy for the Fourth United Nations Development Decade and in technical assistance programmes implemented by UNESCO,

   (b) invites Member States (para. 4(d)) to encourage the general public to play an active part in the implementation of the Decade,

   (c) invites the Director-General (para. 6) to undertake the necessary measures within the context of the regular programme and the Participation Programme in order to ensure the provision of adequate assistance for Decade activities proposed by Member States, to provide appropriate support for the Intergovernmental Committee of the Decade and to define, in co-operation with the Secretary-General of the United Nations, the modalities for a mid-Decade evaluation, to take place in 1993,

3. Noting with satisfaction the report of the Intergovernmental Committee of the Decade on its activities, and its recommendations regarding its functioning and the activities involved in implementing the Plan of Action and in promoting and co-ordinating the Decade (135 EX/13),

4. Further recalling 134 EX/Decision 4.3.2 regarding the Director-General's report on the setting up of an International Programme for the World Decade for Cultural Development,

5. Requests the Intergovernmental Committee of the World Decade for Cultural Development to continue to examine the possibility of preparing a report on culture in the world,
6. **Recommends** to the Director-General that he encourage international organizations, especially those of the United Nations system, to incorporate the cultural dimension into their development projects, and that he place very particular emphasis on taking the cultural dimension of development into account during the implementation of the strategy for the Fourth United Nations Development Decade.

7. **Recommends** to the Director-General that he propose to the General Conference at its twenty-sixth session that the Intergovernmental Committee be mandated to guide and monitor the planning and implementation of the proposed International Programme.

8. **Further recommends** to the Director-General that he submit to the General Conference at its twenty-sixth session for consideration and decision the question of proclaiming 31 May 'World Day for Cultural Development' (Day of All the World's Cultures).

9. **Invites** the Director-General:

   (a) to study the possibility of providing greater support under the regular programme and the Participation Programme in the 1992-1993 biennium with a view to:

      (i) providing even more transparent, more efficient and more adequate assistance for activities proposed by Member States, in particular in the framework of their regional and interregional cooperation;

      (ii) contributing to the preparation of major projects corresponding to the areas adopted under the International Programme for the World Decade for Cultural Development;

      (iii) preparing joint activities with other institutions of the United Nations system in the framework of the strategy for the Fourth United Nations Development Decade;

      (iv) preparing the 1993 mid-Decade evaluation; and

      (v) continuing to ensure the effective functioning of the Intergovernmental Committee of the Decade and its subsidiary bodies;

   (b) to submit proposals on these various questions to the General Conference at its twenty-sixth session for consideration and decision.

(135 EX/SR 1 and 13)
DECISION ADOPTED BY THE EXECUTIVE BOARD
AT ITS 137TH SESSION
(Paris, 30 September-5 November 1991)

5.1.1 Report on the activities of the Organization since the
136th session (137 EX/INF.3, Part II,
137 EX/INF.3 Add. and 137 EX/33, Part I)

The Executive Board,

1. Bearing in mind UNESCO's mandate for culture and also for
social science as applied to development strategies and the
responsibility of the United Nations system for economic
and social development,

2. Recalling the agreement by the international community on
the proclamation of the World Decade for Cultural
Development with a view to strengthening the cultural
dimension of development,

3. Recalling the reference in paragraph 03013 of UNESCO's
Programme and Budget for 1990-1991 to the preparation of a
report on culture in the world,

4. Recalling the deliberations at its 135th, 136th and 137th
sessions concerning the importance of the linkage between
culture and development,

5. Taking into account the recommendation made to it by the
Intergovernmental Committee for the World Decade (February
1991) to ask the Director-General to take appropriate
measures for the preparation of a world report on culture
and development,

6. Appreciating the clarifications provided by the Director-
General in his oral report (137 EX/INF.3, Part II),

7. Recognizes the advisability of preparing a world report on
culture and development, to be prepared by an independent
international commission of eminent personalities
established by the Director-General of UNESCO in co-
operation with the Secretary-General of the United Nations,
it being understood that the elaboration of the report is
to be financed by extra-budgetary resources and that UNESCO
should provide all necessary technical support;

8. Recommends that this question be placed on the agenda of
the General Conference at its twenty-sixth session so that
it may take a decision as to the scope, framework, budget
and time frame of such a report on the basis of a
background document prepared by the Director-General in the
light of the deliberations referred to above.

(137 EX/SR 1 and 9)
RESOLUTION 11.20 ADOPTED BY THE GENERAL CONFERENCE
AT ITS TWENTY-SECOND SESSION
(Paris, 1983)

11.20 - World Decade for Cultural Development

The General Conference,

Observing that each nation and each people has the right to affirm its own cultural identity while fostering the expression of its internal diversities and its contacts with other cultures,

Emphasizing that development, whose ultimate aim should be focused on the human being, possesses an essential cultural dimension for individuals and communities,

Emphasizing also that the participation of the greatest possible number of people in the creation of culture and in the future of societies is a prerequisite for genuine cultural development,

Considering that broader subregional, regional, interregional and international co-operation and understanding in cultural matters are essential to the creation of a climate of respect, confidence, dialogue and peace among nations,

Recalling the adoption by the World Conference on Cultural Policies (Mexico City, 1982) of Recommendation № 27, in which it proposed the proclamation by the United Nations of a World Decade for Cultural Development,

Noting with satisfaction the arrangements proposed by the Director-General in the Draft Programme and Budget for 1984-1985 (22 C/5) concerning the preparatory work on the formulation of a plan of action for the World Decade for Cultural Development and the means of implementing it,

1. Approves the principle of such a Decade, which would be observed under the auspices of the United Nations and UNESCO;

2. Invites the Director-General:

(a) to inform the Economic and Social Council of this proposal and to contact other institutions in the United Nations system as necessary;

(b) to report to the Executive Board on the results of this notification and of this consultation;

(c) to submit to it at its twenty-third session a draft plan of action for the World Decade for Cultural Development.
RESOLUTION 11/10 ADOPTED BY THE GENERAL CONFERENCE
AT ITS TWENTY-THIRD SESSION

(Sofia, 8 November 1985)

11.10 - World Decade for Cultural Development

The General Conference,

Recalling that the human person both acts upon and is acted upon by economic developments, and emphasizing that this is an essential and concrete aspect of human rights,

Emphasizing that an analysis of the imbalances characterizing the world situation clearly shows economic factors to be no longer the sole term of reference in development matters,

Considering the functions conferred on UNESCO by its Constitution, especially Article I thereof, and consequently considering that UNESCO should endeavour, in its fields of competence, to stimulate research or implement specific projects, so as to make its contribution to the models and strategies to be adopted for development,

Recalling resolution 11.20 concerning the World Decade for Cultural Development adopted by consensus at its twenty-second session,

Further recalling that the proposed World Decade for Cultural Development, because it concerns all the organizations of the United Nations system, entails a procedure which should culminate in its adoption by the United Nations General Assembly at its forty-first session (autumn 1986),

Welcoming the highly positive results of the consultations conducted by the Director-General with the organizations of the United Nations system and taking note of the decision adopted by the Executive Board at its 122nd session after consideration of the Director-General's report (122 EX/14),

Also taking note of the declaration of the Heads of State and Government of the Organization of African Unity at their twenty-first summit (Addis Ababa, July 1985) and of the recommendation of the Eighth Regional Conference of National Commissions for UNESCO of Latin America and the Caribbean (July 1985), both of which support that enterprise and emphasize its importance,

Having examined the report of the Director-General on the Draft Plan of Action for the Decade (23 C/16),

1. Approves the main points and major proposals set forth therein;

2. Emphasizes that the active participation of Member States, organizations of the United Nations system and international governmental and non-governmental
organizations, as well as individuals and the public in the broad sense of the word, is particularly important for the success of the proposed Decade;

3. **Invites** Member States:

   (a) to contribute in a concrete manner to the fulfilment of the objectives assigned to the Decade;

   (b) to promote all forms of regional and interregional cooperation so as to foster, in collaboration with the competent regional and international organizations, the strengthening of international cultural cooperation and the emergence of new strategies for development;

4. **Invites** the Director-General:

   (a) to take the necessary steps, in accordance with established procedure, for the question of the proclamation of the World Decade for Cultural Development to be submitted to the United Nations General Assembly so as to enable the Decade to be launched in 1988;

   (b) to continue throughout 1986 the necessary consultations and negotiations with Member States and international governmental and non-governmental organizations, with a view to the preparation and implementation of the Plan of Action;

   (c) to take into account, when finalizing the Plan of Action for the Decade, the observations made at its twenty-third session and the consultations referred to in paragraph (b) above, and to submit a revised version of the Plan of Action to the Executive Board at its 124th session;

   (d) to include in the Draft Programme and Budget for 1988-1989 (24 C/5) provisions relating to the implementation of the Decade;

5. **Also invites** Member States and the Director-General to ensure within UNESCO's fields of competence, that the implementation of the Decade is linked with that of the next Medium-Term Plan and the Fourth United Nations Development Decade.
RESOLUTION 11.12 ADOPTED BY THE GENERAL CONFERENCE
AT ITS TWENTY-FOURTH SESSION

(Paris, 20 October-20 November 1987)

11.12 - World Decade for Cultural Development

The General Conference,

Recalling recommendation No 27 of the World Conference on Cultural Policies (Mexico City, 1982), 23 C/Resolution 11.10 on the World Decade for Cultural Development, and resolution 187 by which the forty-first session of the General Assembly of the United Nations proclaimed that Decade,

Taking into account paragraph 3(b) of 23 C/Resolution 11.10 inviting Member States 'to promote all forms of regional and interregional co-operation so as to foster, in collaboration with the competent regional and international organizations, the strengthening of international cultural co-operation and the emergence of new strategies for development',

Aware of the eminent role that the acknowledgement of the cultural dimension of development, the affirmation and enrichment of cultural identities, the broadening of participation in culture and the promotion of international cultural co-operation can play as regards overall development and as regards UNESCO's own programme in general,

Conscious of the need to focus and concentrate the relevant activities of UNESCO's programme on the major objectives of the World Decade for Cultural Development,

Aware of the important task of co-ordinating the various activities of Member States and of inter-agency, intergovernmental and non-governmental organizations,

Welcoming, in particular, the results of the meeting of the National Commissions for UNESCO in the Europe region, held in Budapest from 24 to 27 June 1987 with a view to formulating proposals concerning joint activities and projects - regional or interregional - which might be carried out with the participation of the European Member States of UNESCO,

1. Invites Member States:

   (a) to continue, intensify and multiply their efforts so as to contribute effectively to the acknowledgement of the cultural dimension of development, the affirmation and enrichment of cultural identities, the broadening of participation in cultural life and the

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strengthening of peace and understanding between peoples through the promotion of international cultural co-operation;

(b) to implement, to this end, at the national, regional and international levels, significant activities and projects, drawn up along interdisciplinary lines, having an innovatory character and an enduring and multiplier effect, catering for the priority issues of their economic, social and cultural development and involving the active participation of creative workers and the people at large;

(c) to provide the necessary means for this purpose through, more especially, the rational and co-ordinated use of the available human and financial resources;

(d) to co-operate actively in the implementation of the specific activities planned as the Organization's contribution to the Decade in UNESCO's regular programme;

(e) to promote their contribution to the Decade by establishing national committees as proposed in the Plan of Action;

(f) to collaborate with the Intergovernmental Committee, in order to co-ordinate and evaluate through that body the attainment of the four main objectives of the Decade;

2. Invites the Director-General:

(a) to take the necessary steps, within the context of the regular programme, the participation programme and extra-budgetary projects, to ensure the provision of effective assistance, through UNESCO's various major programmes, for the activities undertaken by Member States with a view to implementing the Plan of Action for the Decade;

(b) to devote special attention in this context to support for the joint projects of the National Commissions for UNESCO;

(c) to take steps, during the preparation of the third Medium-Term Plan, to secure the co-ordination of its objectives with those of the Decade;

(d) to strengthen the Permanent Secretariat of the World Decade so as to enable it to co-ordinate the action of UNESCO's sectors and to co-operate closely with the Intergovernmental Committee.
RESOLUTION 11.13 ADOPTED BY THE GENERAL CONFERENCE
AT ITS TWENTY-FOURTH SESSION

(Paris, 20 October-20 November 1987)

11.13 - Establishment of the Intergovernmental Committee of the World Decade for Cultural Development

The General Conference,


Also recalling 124 EX/Decision 5.4.1 by which the Executive Board approved, in particular, the Director-General's proposals concerning the machinery to be set up for co-ordinating the implementation of the Plan of Action,

Emphasizing that, in the Plan of Action (124 EX/18), it was proposed that an Intergovernmental Committee be set up, with responsibility for following and evaluating the implementation of the Programme,

Recalling that the Executive Board, in 126 EX/Decision 5.4.5, took note, with satisfaction, of the report submitted by the Director-General on the proposed setting-up of this Committee and of the draft statutes annexed to that report (126 EX/24),

1. Decides to set up this Committee and approves its statutes annexed to this resolution;

2. Elects, in accordance with paragraph 1 of Article II of the Statutes of the Intergovernmental Committee of the World Decade for Cultural Development, the following Member States to be members of the Committee:

   Angola                            Iran (Islamic Republic of)
   Antigua and Barbuda              Italy
   Argentina                         Japan
   Austria                            Kenya
   Benin                              Kuwait
   Cameroon                          Libyan Arab Jamahiriya
   Central African Republic          Luxembourg

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1 This part of the resolution was adopted on the report of the Nominations Committee at the thirty-fourth plenary meeting, on 16 November 1987
3. **Decides,** in accordance with Paragraph 3 of Article II of the Statutes of the Committee, that the term of office of the following members of the Committee shall cease at the end of the twenty-fifth session of the General Conference:

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Annex

Statutes of the Intergovernmental Committee of the
World Decade for Cultural Development

Article I: Establishment

An Intergovernmental Committee of the World Decade for Cultural Development, hereafter called 'the Committee', is hereby established, for a period of ten years, within UNESCO.

Article II: Membership

1. The Committee shall be composed of thirty-six Member States of UNESCO, elected by the General Conference on the basis of equitable geographical distribution and appropriate rotation.

2. The term of office of members of the Committee shall extend from the end of the ordinary session of the General Conference during which they are elected until the end of its second subsequent ordinary session.

3. Notwithstanding the provisions of paragraph 2 above, the term of office of half of the members designated at the first election shall cease at the end of the first ordinary session of the General Conference following that at which they were elected. These members shall be chosen by lot according to regional group, after the first election, by the President of the General Conference; outgoing members shall be replaced by members belonging to the same regional group.

4. Members of the Committee may be immediately eligible for re-election.

5. The persons designated by the Member States as their representatives on the Committee should, preferably, be eminent persons who are competent in the fields covered by the Plan of Action for the Decade - in particular education, the sciences, the spread of ideas, the arts and literature - or specialists possessing the required experience in the preparation and implementation, in the Member States, of the activities of the Decade.

Article III: Functions

1. The Committee shall be responsible, in UNESCO's fields of competence, for stimulating, following and evaluating the implementation of the Plan of Action for the Decade and for recommending, in particular to the General Conference and to the various parties concerned with the Decade, any measures which in its opinion are of such a kind as to ensure its orderly progress and success. It shall endeavour, in particular:
(a) to help to marshal intellectual and material resources and to enlist the support of international opinion for the Decade, making inter alia any relevant recommendations;

(b) to gather and analyse information relating to the implementation of the Plan of Action, with a view to evaluating the results obtained, identifying the difficulties encountered and recommending any measures whereby they may be overcome;

(c) to put forward any recommendations whereby the Plan of Action may be improved during its implementation;

(d) to recommend any measures which would ensure better co-ordination of the efforts made in the implementation of the Plan of Action for the Decade, and, in particular, those making it possible to strengthen the co-ordination of the activities undertaken by UNESCO under the various major programmes, as well as the co-ordination of such activities with those of the other institutions and organs of the United Nations;

(e) to make any proposals of such a nature as would strengthen the contribution of UNESCO to the implementation of the Plan of Action and to advise on the preparation, implementation, financing and evaluation of any national, subregional, regional or international project coming within the framework of the Decade.

2. The Committee shall be kept regularly informed of the activities undertaken by the National Committees which may be set up by the Member States, in keeping with the Plan of Action for the World Decade for Cultural Development, and of the activities undertaken by other parties involved.

3. The Committee may seek the views of appropriate international non-governmental organizations with which UNESCO maintains official relations, so as to secure their active support.

Article IV: Sessions

1. The Committee shall meet in regular plenary session once every two years. Extraordinary sessions may be convened, in agreement with the Director-General, taking into account the resources available and under the conditions which shall be established by its Rules of Procedure.

2. Each member of the Committee shall have one vote; a member may be assisted, during the sessions of the Committee, by a limited number of experts or advisers.
3. The Committee shall adopt its own Rules of Procedure. These Rules shall not contradict any of the provisions of the present Statutes nor those of Unesco's Constitution.

**Article V: Bureau**

1. At the beginning of its first session and, subsequently, whenever the membership of the Committee is modified by the General Conference, in accordance with Article II, the Committee shall elect a Chairman, four Vice-Chairmen and a Rapporteur; these shall form the Committee's Bureau. The membership of the Bureau shall reflect equitable geographical distribution. The members of the Bureau, who shall be representatives of Member States of UNESCO, shall remain in office until a new Bureau has been elected.

2. The Bureau shall discharge the following functions:

   (a) it shall establish, in agreement with the Director-General, the date and place of the sessions of the Committee, in accordance with the general directives drawn up by the Committee;

   (b) it shall prepare, in agreement with the Director-General, the sessions of the Committee, including its provisional agenda;

   (c) it shall examine the follow-up action taken on the recommendations and conclusions of the Committee and shall make a report to each session of the Committee;

   (d) it shall prepare for the Committee the reports requested of it by the General Conference;

   (e) it shall discharge all such other functions as the Committee may confer upon it, within the framework of the Committee's terms of reference.

3. Meetings of the Bureau may be convened between meetings of the Committee, at the request of the Committee itself, or of the Director-General or of the majority of the members of the Bureau. The Bureau may also be consulted by correspondence by the Director-General or by the Chairman of the Committee.

**Article VI: Observers**

1. The representatives of Member States and Associate Members of UNESCO which are not members of the Committee may attend all the meetings of the Committee as observers, without the right to vote. The Committee may invite States which are not members of UNESCO but which are members of the United Nations or of other institutions of the United Nations system to send observers to its meetings.

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2. Representatives of the United Nations and other institutions of the United Nations system shall be invited to take part, without the right to vote, in all meetings of the Committee.

3. The Committee shall establish the conditions under which other international governmental or non-governmental organizations belonging to categories A and B might be invited to send observers, without the right to vote, to its meetings, when specific issues of common interest are submitted for its consideration.

**Article VII: Secretariat**

1. The secretariat of the Committee shall be provided by the Director-General of UNESCO, who shall place at the Committee's disposal the means required for its operation, within the limit of the appropriations approved by the General Conference.

2. The secretariat designated by the Director-General shall provide the services for the sessions of the Committee and meetings of the Bureau, including their convocation.

3. The Director-General shall submit for consideration by the Committee the information, reports and proposals received by him from the Member States of UNESCO and international organizations in regard to the implementation of the Plan of Action for the Decade. He shall inform the Member States and the National Committees that they have established (cf. Article III, paragraph 2, above) of the appropriate recommendations of the Committee.

4. The Director-General shall ensure the co-ordination of the implementation of the recommendations of the Committee.

**Article VIII: Expenses**

1. The Committee may address to the Director-General and to the organizations mentioned in Article VI, paragraph 2, any recommendations it deems appropriate with a view to supporting Member States' efforts to strengthen or implement projects for co-operation among Member States within the framework of the World Decade for Cultural Development.

2. Member States shall bear all the expenses of the participation of their representatives in sessions of the Committee. The running expenses of the Committee shall be covered by an appropriation voted for this purpose by the General Conference.

3. Voluntary contributions may be accepted in accordance with the Financial Regulations of UNESCO; such contributions shall be administered by the Director-General. The
Committee shall submit to the Director-General recommendations concerning the allocation of these contributions to international projects coming under the Plan of Action for the Decade. Voluntary contributions may take the form of trust funds, to be used for purposes determined by the donor.

Article IX: Reporting

1. The Committee shall report on its activities to the General Conference of UNESCO at each of the Conference's ordinary sessions. These reports, which shall be examined by the Executive Board as well, shall also be communicated by the Director-General, together with his comments, to the United Nations General Assembly, the other international organizations mentioned in Article VI, paragraphs 2 and 3 above, and to Member States.

2. The Committee may receive reports concerning the implementation of the Plan of Action for the Decade from the other international organizations.
RESOLUTION 3.4 ADOPTED BY THE GENERAL CONFERENCE
AT ITS TWENTY-FIFTH SESSION
(Paris, 17 October-16 November 1989)

3.4 - World Decade for Cultural Development

The General Conference,

Recalling recommendation N° 27 of the World Conference on Cultural Policies (Mexico City, 1982), 23 C/Resolution 11.10 on the World Decade for Cultural Development, and resolution 41/187 by which the United Nations General Assembly at its forty-first session proclaimed the Decade, to be celebrated under the auspices of the United Nations and of UNESCO,

Taking into account paragraph 2(a) of 24 C/Resolution 11.12, inviting the Director-General to take the necessary steps, within the context of the regular programme, the Participation Programme and extra-budgetary projects, to ensure the provision of effective assistance, through UNESCO's various major programmes, for the activities undertaken by Member States with a view to implementing the Plan of Action for the Decade,

Also taking into account 24 C/Resolution 11.13 by which it decided to set up the Intergovernmental Committee of the Decade,

Recognizing the need to strengthen the programmes for the Decade in order to create lasting development through greater sensitivity to local cultural realities and expanded participation of local people; to stimulate greater artistic creativity and participation, especially by young people and children, in cultural life in a period of rapid scientific and technological change; and to foster respect for cultural diversity in the interests of peace and international understanding and cultural co-operation,

Also recalling 131 EX/Decision 5.4.3 by which the Executive Board invited the Director-General:

(a) to establish closer intersectoral links between the activities provided for in Major Programme Area III in respect of the World Decade for Cultural Development and all the other major programme areas,

(b) to study the possibility of drawing on extra-budgetary sources and private funds through a specific fundraising effort for the implementation of the Plan of Action for the Decade,

Taking into account the experience of the first stage of implementation of the aims of the World Decade for Cultural Development,
Noting with interest the Report of the Intergovernmental Committee of the World Decade for Cultural Development (25 C/92),

1. Welcomes the progress made by Member States, organizations and programmes of the United Nations and international intergovernmental and non-governmental organizations in activities within the framework of the Decade during 1988 and 1989,

2. Expresses appreciation to those countries which have provided voluntary contributions in the form of consultant services to the Decade secretariat and encourages other countries and international organizations to make voluntary contributions to support the implementation of the Decade Plan of Action,

3. Reaffirms the importance of taking the cultural dimension of development into account in the elaboration of the international development strategy for the Fourth United Nations Development Decade and in technical assistance programmes implemented by UNESCO,

4. Invites Member States:
   (a) to continue and further strengthen their efforts to implement the Plan of Action for the Decade and to establish national committees or other co-ordinating mechanisms where they do not already exist,
   (b) to take socio-cultural factors into account in the planning and implementation of development activities,
   (c) to encourage encounters between those active in the field of culture and other spheres of community life, and with specialists in cultural and environmental education,
   (d) to encourage the general public to play an active part in the implementation of the Decade,

5. Invites non-governmental organizations:
   (a) to strengthen their efforts to implement the Plan of Action for the World Decade for Cultural Development,
   (b) to undertake promotional activities in support of the Decade,
   (c) to set up an inter-organization working group within their Standing Committee to collaborate with the Intergovernmental Committee and the Secretariat in the implementation of the Decade activities and to assist in developing promotional activities and mobilizing financial resources for the Decade activities,
6. **Invites** the Director-General:

(a) to undertake the necessary measures within the context of the regular programme and the Participation Programme to ensure the provision of adequate assistance for Decade activities proposed by Member States and for the Decade secretariat,

(b) to seek, in co-operation with the Secretary-General of the United Nations, enhanced co-ordination of activities undertaken by the organizations and programmes of the United Nations system in support of the Decade,

(c) to take all the necessary measures, with the means at his disposal, to ensure the implementation of the World Decade for Cultural Development and provide appropriate support for the Intergovernmental Committee of the Decade and the United Nations Inter-Agency Steering Committee for the Decade,

(d) to take the necessary steps, in co-operation with the Secretary-General of the United Nations, to define the modalities for a mid-Decade evaluation, in the form of a global review to take place in 1993,

(e) to keep the Executive Board and the General Conference regularly informed of progress in the implementation of the aims and programmes of the World Decade for Cultural Development,

7. **Approves** the Strategy for the implementation of the Plan of Action for the World Decade for Cultural Development prepared by the Intergovernmental Committee of the Decade (Annex to document 25 C/92),

8. **Thanks** the Director-General for the presentation of his report on the feasibility study on the possible setting up of an international programme for the World Decade for Cultural Development (25 C/95),

9. **Approves** in principle the idea of setting up such an international programme,

10. **Invites** the Director-General, taking into account existing mechanisms and the views expressed by Member States at its twenty-fifth session, to submit a revised draft for such an international programme at the next session of the Intergovernmental Committee of the Decade, with a view to transmitting it, with the appropriate recommendations, to the Executive Board for consideration.
RESOLUTION 3.5 ADOPTED BY THE GENERAL CONFERENCE
AT ITS TWENTY-FIFTH SESSION
(Paris, 17 October-16 November 1989)

3.5 - Election of members of the Intergovernmental Committee of the World Decade for Cultural Development

The General Conference,

Recalling 24 C/Resolution 11.13 in which it decided to set up the Intergovernmental Committee of the World Decade for Cultural Development and approved its Statutes,

Elects, in accordance with Article II, paragraphs 1 and 2, of the Statutes, the following Member States to be members of the Committee:

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1 Resolution adopted on the report of the Nominations Committee at the twenty-eighth plenary meeting, on 9 November 1989

2 The other members of the Intergovernmental Committee of the World Decade for Cultural Development, who were elected at the twenty-fourth session and whose term of office expires at the close of the twenty-sixth session of the General Conference, are: Antigua and Barbuda, Argentina, Austria, Cameroon, Finland, France, Guatemala, India, Japan, Kuwait, Mauritius, Philippines, Poland, Syrian Arab Republic, Union of Soviet Socialist Republics, United Republic of Tanzania, Yemen and Zambia.
RESOLUTION 3.2 ADOPTED BY THE GENERAL CONFERENCE
AT ITS TWENTY-SIXTH SESSION

(Paris, 15 October-7 November 1991)

3.2 - World Decade for Cultural Development

The General Conference,

Recalling the resolutions adopted by the United Nations General Assembly with regard to the World Decade for Cultural Development, and more particularly resolution 41/187 whereby the Decade was proclaimed and placed under the auspices of the United Nations and of UNESCO, and resolution 45/189 regarding a mid-term review of the Decade,

Recalling 22 C/Resolution 11.20, 23 C/Resolution 11.10, 24 C/Resolution 11.12 and 25 C/Resolution 3.4 adopted by the General Conference in regard to the World Decade for Cultural Development,

Taking into consideration the relevant recommendations formulated by the Executive Board, particularly in 134 EX/Decision 4.3.2, 135 EX/Decision 5.3.3 and 136 EX/Decision 4.1,

Taking note with satisfaction of the report of the Intergovernmental Committee of the World Decade for Cultural Development (26 C/93),

1. Thanks the Director-General for his constant support for the implementation of the activities of the Decade and more particularly the major intercultural projects,

2. Takes note with interest of the report by the Director-General on progress in the implementation of the aims and programmes of the Decade (26 C/94),

3. Emphasizes the quality of the work accomplished by the Intergovernmental Committee of the World Decade for Cultural Development,

4. Decides to proclaim, within the framework of the Decade, a World Day for Cultural Development to be celebrated each year on 21 May,

5. Invites the Member States to participate actively in the implementation of the Decade, in the celebration of the World Day for Cultural Development and in the mid-term review of the Decade,

Resolution adopted on the report of Commission IV at the twenty-sixth plenary meeting, on 6 November 1991
6. **Invites** the Director-General:

(a) to pursue his efforts with a view to encouraging the implementation of the Decade by continuing to provide appropriate support, within the framework of the regular programme and the Participation Programme, for the activities proposed by the Member States and the international governmental and non-governmental organizations and for the work of the Intergovernmental Committee,

(b) to take such steps as he may deem appropriate, in close co-operation with the Secretary-General of the United Nations, to ensure the preparation of the mid-term review of the Decade in accordance with the decision to be taken in this regard by the United Nations General Assembly at its forty-sixth session,

(c) to strengthen co-operation with the organs and programmes of the United Nations system with a view to their increased participation in the execution of the Plan of Action for the Decade, particularly in the framework of the implementation of the International Strategy for the Fourth United Nations Development Decade (1991-2000),

(d) to encourage joint inter-agency projects along those lines, inter alia with a view to fostering greater awareness of the cultural dimension of development.
RESOLUTION 3.3 ADOPTED BY THE GENERAL CONFERENCE
AT ITS TWENTY-SIXTH SESSION

(Paris, 15 October-7 November 1991)

3.3 - Election of members of the Intergovernmental Committee
of the World Decade for Cultural Development

The General Conference,

Recalling 24 C/Resolution 11.13 by which it decided to set up the
Intergovernmental Committee of the World Decade for Cultural
Development and approved its Statutes,

1. Elects, in accordance with Article II, paragraphs 1 and 2,
of the Statutes, the following Member States to be members
of the Committee:

Bulgaria
Colombia
Côte d'Ivoire
Cuba
Guatemala
India
Japan
Madagascar
Malaysia
Morocco
Mozambique
Nigeria
Norway
Romania
Spain
Sudan
Switzerland
Union of Soviet Socialist Republics
Yemen

2. Also elects Belgium, Greece and Turkey to replace Italy,
Portugal and Switzerland following their resignation.

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1 Resolution adopted on the report of the Nominations Committee at the twenty-first plenary meeting, on 31 October 1991

2 The other members of the Committee, who were elected at the twenty-fifth session and whose term of office expires at the end of the twenty-seventh session of the General Conference, are: Algeria, Angola, Bangladesh, Brazil, Chile, Guinea, Indonesia, Lebanon, Netherlands, Niger, Peru, Senegal, Thailand and Zaire
RESOLUTION 3.4 ADOPTED BY THE GENERAL CONFERENCE
AT ITS TWENTY-SIXTH SESSION

(Paris, 15 October-7 November 1991)

3.4 - World Report on Culture and Development

The General Conference,

Recalling resolution 41/187 by which the General Assembly proclaimed the World Decade for Cultural Development under the joint auspices of UNESCO and the United Nations,

Bearing in mind ECOSOC resolution 91/65 on the World Decade for Cultural Development, which takes note of proposals for the establishment of an international commission to prepare a report on culture and development,

Taking into account 137 EX/Decision 5.1.1 of the Executive Board, which inter alia recognizes the advisability of preparing a World Report on Culture and Development,

1. Requests the Director-General, in co-operation with the Secretary-General of the United Nations:

(a) to establish an independent World Commission on Culture and Development comprising women and men drawn from all regions and eminent in diverse disciplines, to prepare a World Report on Culture and Development and proposals for both urgent and long-term action to meet cultural needs in the context of development,

(b) to appoint, after such consultations as they deem necessary, the Chairperson of the Commission and, in co-operation with the Chairperson, to select the other 12 members of the Commission,

2. Further requests the Director-General:

(a) to establish a special account under the terms of the Financial Regulations of UNESCO to accept voluntary contributions and from which disbursements would be made to underwrite all costs of the Commission, including those of its secretariat and publications,

(b) in consultation with the Chairperson, to appoint the Executive Secretary and the members of the Commission secretariat, who should constitute an interdisciplinary team,

Resolution adopted on the report of Commission IV at the twenty-sixth plenary meeting, on 6 November 1991
(c) to make the necessary provisions to house the secretariat at UNESCO and provide appropriate administrative, scientific and technical support for the conduct of the work of the Commission,

3. **Invites** Member States, international financial institutions, development agencies and private foundations and corporations to contribute financial and in-kind support for the Commission's activities, including the preparation of the report,

4. **Suggests** that the World Commission should focus mainly on identifying, describing and analysing basic questions, concerns and new challenges related to:

   (a) the cultural and socio-cultural factors that affect development,

   (b) the impact of social and economic development on culture.

   (c) the interrelatedness of culture and models of development,

   (d) the ways in which cultural development, and not only economic conditions, influence individual and collective well-being,

   (e) the cultural sector as such and as an important area for development and for international co-operation,

5. **Suggests** that the World Commission, in specifying its mandate, take into consideration the areas cited in the annex to this resolution,

6. **Further suggests** that, in fulfilling its mandate, the World Commission should, *inter alia*:

   (a) organize regional and subregional consultations, in order to grasp the specificities of each region and to give a realistic description of achievements, problems and trends in the field of culture and development,

   (b) seek active participation by all parties concerned, at both governmental and non-governmental level and through contacts with leading national and international personalities,

   (c) ensure involvement by UNESCO Regional Offices, UNESCO National Commissions and National Committees for the World Decade for Cultural Development,

   (d) maintain links with other intergovernmental bodies within and outside the United Nations system,
particularly the Intergovernmental Committee of the World Decade for Cultural Development as appropriate,

7. **Expects** the World Commission to:

   (a) prepare a policy-oriented World Report on Culture and Development, based on the collection and analysis of information from all regions and from diverse sources,

   (b) arrange for the publication of particularly noteworthy studies and other materials submitted to the Commission,

   (c) design the report so that it can engage the general public and assist those responsible for formulating and implementing cultural and development policies at both national and international levels, including the different multilateral banks and United Nations organizations and programmes,

   (d) submit its final report to the General Conference of UNESCO and to the United Nations General Assembly no later than three years after it begins its work, also addressing its report to intergovernmental, governmental and non-governmental fora, to individuals and to the general public in order to promote wide dissemination and follow-up,

8. **Recommends** that the World Commission, which will be financed from extra-budgetary resources, be established in 1992 and that it begin its work when sufficient resources have been received, or firmly committed, it being understood that an initial meeting of the World Commission will be convened on the basis of extra-budgetary funding, at which time it will specify its mandate, tentative work plan and budget,

9. **Decides** that in the event of sufficient funding not being committed, UNESCO Member States will be informed that it has proved impossible to pursue the work of the World Commission on Culture and Development.

Annex: **Suggested areas of consideration for the World Commission on Culture and Development**

Cultural continuity, cultural diversity and identity, and the problem of the progressive loss of indigenous knowledge, traditions and languages, and of entire cultures threatened with extinction,

Positive results of growing indigenous and regional self-esteem,
Potential benefits of more widespread use of local languages in literature and newspapers,

Enrichment derived from the growing interchange between different cultures and the creative impetus to the international community gained from the rich diversity of different traditions,

Aspirations to an improved quality of life and the way in which cultural development, and not only economic conditions, affects individual and collective well-being and the cohesiveness of societies,

Participation in cultural life of various segments of the population, taking into account their cultural specificities as well as their access to contemporary global society,

Contribution of women and men to culture and development, both in their everyday activities and as artists and artisans,

Current, and diverse, conditions for creativity and productivity in the cultural sector (the visual arts, music, dance, literature, theatre, film, architecture and crafts), and the sector as a generator of income,

Relationships between culture and governance, exploring the concepts of tolerance, pluralism and a 'culture of democracy',

Links between environment and culture and the parallels between the safeguarding of the natural and the cultural heritage,

Importance of cultural factors as key variables in overall development planning and implementation, taking into account the ethical challenges to scientific advancement and economic growth.
RESOLUTION 3.1 ADOPTED BY THE GENERAL CONFERENCE
AT ITS TWENTY-SEVENTH SESSION

3.1 - Major Programme Area III: 'Culture: past, present and future'

The General Conference,

1. Authorizes the Director-General to implement the programmes and subprogrammes of this major programme area;

2. Invites the Director-General, in particular:

A. under the Plan of Action for the World Decade for Cultural Development:

(a) to co-ordinate and promote initiatives taken by Member States, institutions of the United Nations system and intergovernmental and international non-governmental organizations within the framework of the Decade, and to conduct a mid-term review of its implementation;

(b) to encourage the launching in the various regions of interdisciplinary projects covering key fields of the Decade;

(c) to continue methodological work concerning the acknowledgement of the cultural dimension in development projects and give the Organization's full support to the World Commission on Culture and Development;

B. [...]
3.2 - World Decade for Cultural Development

The General Conference,


Further recalling 26 C/Resolution 3.2 on the World Decade for Cultural Development,

Taking note with satisfaction of the report by the Intergovernmental Committee of the World Decade for Cultural Development (27 C/103), together with its recommendations concerning its functioning and certain activities for the implementation and co-ordination of the Plan of Action and for the promotion of the Decade in the international community,

Expressing its satisfaction at the greater participation by Member States and international organizations in the implementation of the Plan of Action for the Decade, thanks to the increasing number of activities,

Stressing the importance of giving greater priority to innovative, interdisciplinary and intersectoral projects of a regional or interregional nature that give particular attention to linking culture with another objective of development within the framework of the Plan of Action so as to promote the spirit of the World Decade for Cultural Development within the international community,

Taking into account the recommendations of the Bureau of the Intergovernmental Committee to the effect that the international programme should not be extended beyond the experimental period, 1992-1993,

1. Invites Member States and international organizations to implement large-scale projects on the following themes: (i) tourism, culture and development; (ii) culture, development and technology: cultural industries; (iii) cultural pluralism looking towards the year 2000;

Recalling the recommendation concerning the Participation Programme referred to in paragraph 7 of document 27 C/103 made to the Director-General by the Bureau of the Intergovernmental Committee at its ninth session,

2. Invites Member States:

(a) to increase their support for the implementation of the Plan of Action for the Decade, giving precedence to interdisciplinary and innovative regional or interregional projects corresponding primarily to the first objective of the Decade: 'acknowledging the cultural dimension of development';

(b) to contribute, with the assistance of their National Committees for the Decade or equivalent institutions, to the mid-term review of the Decade, by participating actively in its preparation and taking measures likely to give new impetus, in their respective countries, to the implementation of the Decade after its mid-term review;

3. Invites the Director-General:

(a) to take those budgetary measures that he deems most appropriate under the regular programme and the Participation Programme to provide increased and appropriate financial and technical assistance for the interdisciplinary, large-scale activities proposed by Member States as part of the Decade, giving precedence to those that set an example as regards the linking of culture with another development objective;

(b) to ensure:

(i) the proper preparation of the mid-term review of the Decade, in conjunction with the National Committees for the Decade, the Intergovernmental Committee, and the agencies and programmes of the United Nations system, in particular the regional economic and social commissions, in accordance with resolution 46/157 of the United Nations General Assembly;

(ii) to this end, that the budgetary measures that he deems appropriate are taken within the framework of the programme and budget of the Organization;

(iii) the mobilization of supplementary extra-budgetary resources;
(c) to take those measures necessary for:

(i) the procedure for administering that part of

the Participation Programme ($1,500,000) foreseen for Decade activities to be changed so that the responsibility for its disbursement is entrusted to the Culture Sector, with a view to providing a more prompt response to the requests from Member States;

(ii) priority to be given in the choice of projects to be financed under the regular programme of the Decade to those of an innovative nature capable of having a catalytic effect, and directed towards creating future-oriented cultural activities;

(d) to continue to encourage the efforts of the various partners, by conferring upon implemented projects of an exemplary nature medals and prizes offered by Member States, institutions or world-famous personalities as a way of supporting the Decade.
RESOLUTION 3.3 ADOPTED BY THE GENERAL CONFERENCE
AT ITS TWENTY-SEVENTH SESSION


3.3 - Election of members of the Intergovernmental Committee
of the World Decade for Cultural Development

The General Conference,

Recalling 24 C/Resolution 11.13 by which it decided to set up the
Intergovernmental Committee of the World Decade for Cultural
Development and approved its Statutes,

Elects, in accordance with Article II, paragraphs 1 and 2 of the
Statutes, the following Member States to be members of the
Committee:

- Belgium
- France
- Republic of Korea
- Botswana
- Italy
- Slovakia
- Brazil
- Malawi
- Thailand
- Cameroon
- Mexico
- Togo
- Ecuador
- Philippines
- Tunisia
- Egypt
- Portugal
- Uganda

1. Resolution adopted on the report of the Nominations Committee at the
   thirtieth plenary meeting, on 15 November 1993.

2. The other members of the Intergovernmental Committee of the World
   Decade for Cultural Development, elected at the twenty-sixth session
   and whose term of office expires at the end of the twenty-eighth
   session of the General Conference, are: Bulgaria, Colombia, Côte
d'Ivoire, Cuba, Guatemala, India, Japan, Madagascar, Malaysia, Morocco,
Mozambique, Nigeria, Norway, Romania, Russian Federation, Spain, Sudan,
Switzerland and Yemen.
RESOLUTION 3.4 ADOPTED BY THE GENERAL CONFERENCE
AT ITS TWENTY-SEVENTH SESSION


3.4 - World Commission on Culture and Development

The General Conference,

Noting with satisfaction that the World Commission on Culture and Development has been established in accordance with 26 C/Resolution 3.4,

Noting also that the World Commission has drawn up its agenda and work plan, and is now engaged in a series of hearings, meetings and seminars,

Gratefully acknowledging the extra-budgetary contributions made by several Member States to the World Commission,

Expecting more Member States and agencies to contribute financially or in kind to the World Commission,

Recalling the many references to the importance of this Commission for the activities of the United Nations, and particularly for UNESCO,

Referring to paragraph 03012 of document 27 C/5, which specifies UNESCO's support for the independent World Commission on Culture and Development,

1. Decides that UNESCO shall contribute to the work of the World Commission on Culture and Development by:

   (a) providing all relevant assistance from its Secretariat, including Regional Offices, required for the completion of its task;

   (b) inviting National Commissions for UNESCO to provide the World Commission on Culture and Development with relevant information, research findings, analysis, and practical examples from their respective countries or regions;

2. Authorizes the Director-General to provide the World Commission on Culture and Development, as an advance, with sufficient additional support for it to complete its mandate.

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RESOLUTION 3.2 ADOPTED BY THE GENERAL CONFERENCE
AT ITS TWENTY-EIGHTH SESSION

3.2 World Decade for Cultural Development

The General Conference,
Recalling 26 C/Resolution 3.2 on the World Decade for Cultural Development,
Recalling the conclusions of the mid-term summary evaluation report on the World Decade for Cultural Development based on replies to the questionnaire sent to Member States by the Director-General of UNESCO, and the examination of that report by the Intergovernmental Committee of the World Decade for Cultural Development at its fourth regular session and subsequently by the United Nations General Assembly at its forty-ninth session,
Recalling the Recommendation concerning the follow-up to the Decade, adopted at the fourth regular session of the Intergovernmental Committee of the World Decade for Cultural Development, in which the Committee recommended that the Director-General do everything possible to follow up the Decade,
Recalling the decision adopted by the Executive Board at its 145th session, in November 1994, and in particular the paragraph therein stating that the interactions between culture and development must be emphasized in the Medium-Term Strategy (145 EX/Decision 4.1.A.II(b) (xiii)),
Recalling resolution A/49/105 of 19 December 1994 adopted by the United Nations General Assembly concerning the implementation of the second part of the Decade and inviting all States and other participants in the Decade to foster the integration of cultural factors into all endeavours aimed at social and economic development,
Observing the great convergence of views expressed during the mid-term review of the Decade regarding the results of the first half of the Decade, its achievements and shortcomings, and also the initiatives to be taken to strengthen the programme and foster the more effective mobilization of all those involved during the second part of the Decade,
Noting with satisfaction the report of the Intergovernmental Committee of the World Decade for Cultural Development (28 C/99) and its recommendations concerning the implementation and the follow-up of the Decade, co-operation with organizations of the United Nations system and certain major projects,
Also noting the identification of six priority fields of action for activities during the remainder of the Decade, namely:
- the cultural dimension of development,
- culture and sustainability,
- culture, tourism and development,
- cultural pluralism,
- investing in culture,
- culture, science, technology and the media,
1. Expresses its satisfaction at the acceleration observed in the implementation of projects whose relevance to the theme of acknowledging cultural factors in development projects and policies has increased;
2. Also expresses its satisfaction with the implementation of interdisciplinary projects of regional scope that link culture to fields such as the environment, local communities and tourism;

with the progress being made on the project concerning the methods to be used to integrate cultural factors into development, and with the growing success of the World Day for Cultural Development, celebrated each year on 21 May;

2. Invites Member States, intergovernmental and non-governmental organizations, and the agencies and organizations of the United Nations system to mobilize in support of the Plan of Action for the Decade, the aims of which are:

(a) to increase understanding of the relations between culture and development and to encourage closer integration of the cultural dimension into projects and policies for sustainable development in order to ensure that such policies reach families and population groups in situations of extreme poverty and social exclusion in the sense of United Nations General Assembly resolution 46/121;

(b) to concentrate efforts on large-scale interdisciplinary projects launched and implemented in each region;

(c) to strengthen co-operation with other partners in the United Nations system with a view to undertaking joint studies and projects aimed at preparing the integration of the cultural dimension of development into the strategy for the fifth United Nations Development Decade;

(d) to promote and co-ordinate the work of those involved in the Decade for the purpose of implementing its Plan of Action;

4. Requests the Director-General to take appropriate measures:

(a) to provide the human and financial resources necessary to continue the Plan of Action and, in particular, to maintain for the 1996-1997 biennium the measures taken during the preceding biennium concerning the Participation Programme; namely, the setting aside of a separate amount of $1.5 million for projects to be undertaken within the framework of the World Decade for Cultural Development, and the possibility of allowing, in addition to the number of Participation Programme requests authorized for each country, two further requests per Member State in respect of Decade projects, within the limit of that amount; and to pay particular attention in so doing to the new orientations;

(b) to programme the fifth and last regular session of the Intergovernmental Committee of the World Decade for Cultural Development for April 1997 so that the session will coincide with the conclusion of the Decade;

(c) to ensure that acknowledgement of the cultural dimension in the process of sustainable development for all, reaching families and population groups in situations of extreme poverty and social exclusion, remains a priority in UNESCO’s post-Decade programmes and that this is reflected, concretely and specifically, in the structure and activities of the Organization envisaged for the period after the end of the World Decade for Cultural Development.
RESOLUTION 3.3 ADOPTED BY THE GENERAL CONFERENCE
AT ITS TWENTY-EIGHTH SESSION

3.3 Election of members of the Intergovernmental Committee of the World
Decade for Cultural Development

The General Conference,
Recalling 24 C/Resolution 11.13 by which it decided to set up the Intergovernmental Committee of
the World Decade for Cultural Development and approved its Statutes,
Elects, in accordance with Article II, paragraphs 3 and 4 of the Statutes of the Committee, as
amended by 28 C/Resolution 22, the following Member States to be members of the
Committee:

Angola Angola Malaysia Sweden
Armenia Mali Switzerland Turkmenistan
Chile Mauritania Tunisia Uruguay
Georgia Pakistan Ukraine
Haiti Romania Uzbekistan
Japan Sierra Leone
Jordan Sudan

1. Resolution adopted on the report of the Nominations Committee at the twenty-third plenary meeting, on 15 November 1995.

2. The other members of the Intergovernmental Committee of the World Decade for Cultural Development, elected at the
twenty-seventh session and whose term of office expires at the end of the twenty-sixth session of the General Conference,
are: Belgium, Botswana, Brazil, Cameroon, Ecuador, Egypt, France, Italy, Malawi, Mexico, Philippines, Portugal,
Republic of Korea, Slovakia, Thailand, Togo, Tunisia and Uganda.
IV. INTERGOVERNMENTAL COMMITTEE OF THE WORLD DECADE FOR CULTURAL DEVELOPMENT
The Intergovernmental Committee of the World Decade for Cultural Development,

Recalling resolution 3.4 adopted by the General Conference at its twenty-fifth session, particularly paragraphs 8 to 10 of the resolution,

Expressing appreciation to the Director-General for the revised version of his report on the possible setting up of an International Programme for the World Decade for Cultural Development (CC-90/CONF.203/6), having in mind that this programme will be financed by extra-budgetary resources,

Approves the four project areas proposed in the document, which correspond to key areas of the Decade Strategy, with the understanding that later in the Decade other important project areas, such as a 'World Culture Report', the 'impact of the media on society' and the 'financing of culture' might be taken into consideration,

Emphasizes the importance of an intersectoral approach and the co-ordination of the proposed International Programme with all other relevant programmes, including the International Fund for the Promotion of Culture,

Underlines the importance, within the context of the Intergovernmental Committee's role to stimulate, follow and evaluate Decade activities, for the Committee also to be empowered to guide and supervise the proposed International Programme,

Recommends that the Executive Board of UNESCO:

(a) examine and endorse the proposed Programme, taking into account these recommendations of the Intergovernmental Committee,

(b) invite the Director-General to undertake all necessary measures to,

(i) prepare significant projects based upon the themes outlined in the International Programme,
(ii) raise funds to finance the International Programme,

(iii) disseminate information about the guidelines for the preparation of projects and the mechanisms available for their financing,

(c) propose to the General Conference at its twenty-sixth session that it mandate the Intergovernmental Committee to guide and supervise the planning and implementation of the proposed International Programme.
The Intergovernmental Committee,

Recalling decision 5.3 adopted by the Executive Board at its 135th session, which inter alia invites the Director-General, 'to study the possibility of providing greater support under the regular programme and the Participation Programme in the 1992-1993 biennium...';

Noting with appreciation the important impetus given to the World Decade for Cultural Development by the allocation by the Director-General of US $1 million in the Participation Programme for Decade activities,

Recognizing the need to launch significant projects that are interdisciplinary in character, capable of having a visible and lasting impact and that address the priority objectives of the Decade,

Recommends that the Director-General consider setting aside US $1.5 million for Decade activities, of which US $500,000 would be available for small grants under the provisions of the Participation Programme and US $1 million would be used in the regular programme for significant regional, interregional, or global projects consistent with the key areas for Decade projects outlined in the Strategy and the priorities expressed by Member States.
RECOMMENDATION ADOPTED BY THE
INTERGOVERNMENTAL COMMITTEE OF THE WORLD DECADE
FOR CULTURAL DEVELOPMENT AT ITS FIRST EXTRAORDINARY SESSION

(Paris, 4-8 February 1991)

CLT/MD/14 - Recommendation on the Cultural Dimension of
Development in the International Development
Strategy for the Fourth United Nations
Development Decade

The Intergovernmental Committee,

Recognizing the need for greater coherence within the United
Nations system so as to reflect the cultural dimension of
development in development priorities and modalities adopted by
the governing bodies in various United Nations agencies and
programmes,

Expressing concern that the international development strategy
for the Fourth United Nations Development Decade has not
adequately taken into account the cultural dimension of
development,

Recommends that:

1. the Director-General, in co-operation with the Secretary-
General of the United Nations, further strengthen his
efforts to improve co-ordination among the agencies and
programmes of the United Nations system with respect to the
recognition of the cultural dimension of development,

2. Member States be urged to continue their efforts towards
the fulfilment of this key objective of the World Decade
for Cultural Development.
RECOMMENDATION ADOPTED BY THE
INTERGOVERNMENTAL COMMITTEE OF THE WORLD DECADE
FOR CULTURAL DEVELOPMENT AT ITS FIRST EXTRAORDINARY SESSION

(Paris, 4-8 February 1991)

CLT/MD/14 - Recommendation on the World Culture Report

The Intergovernmental Committee,

Recalling that the introduction of the cultural dimension of development is one of the foremost aims of the Plan of Action of the World Decade for Cultural Development,

Recognizing that the difficulty in including the cultural dimension of development is, among other reasons, the result of insufficient understanding in the international community about the importance of cultural factors in development,

Bearing in mind that a world report on culture and development could help overcome this unsatisfactory situation and concluding that an authoritative, well-researched and convincing world report on culture and development, which should be made available to the international community in the second half of the World Decade for Cultural Development, is required,

Recalling decision 5.3.3, adopted by the Executive Board at its 135th session which, inter alia, 'recommends to the Intergovernmental Committee of the World Decade for Cultural Development that it continue to examine the possibility of preparing a report on the situation of culture in the world',

Recommends to the Executive Board:

1. that it invite the Director-General to take appropriate measures, in consultation with Member States and in recognition of the UNESCO mandate for culture and the United Nations responsibility for economic and social development, to outline the terms of reference and the modalities required for the realization of a world report on culture and development,

2. that it further invite the Director-General to present a full report on the questions referred to in paragraph 1 to the twenty-sixth session of the General Conference.
RECOMMENDATION ADOPTED BY THE
INTERGOVERNMENTAL COMMITTEE OF THE WORLD DECADE
FOR CULTURAL DEVELOPMENT AT ITS FIRST EXTRAORDINARY SESSION

(Paris, 4-8 February 1991)

CLT/MD/14 - Recommendation on the mid-term evaluation of the
World Decade for Cultural Development

The Intergovernmental Committee,

Recalling paragraph 6(d) of 25 C/Resolution 3.4 inviting the
Director-General to take the necessary steps, in co-operation
with the Secretary-General of the United Nations, to define the
modalities for a mid-Decade evaluation,

Taking into account United Nations General Assembly resolution
45/189 on the World Decade for Cultural Development, which inter
alia reaffirms its support for a mid-term review to assess the
progress made in implementing the Plan of Action for the Decade
and to make proposals to further strengthen activities in this
area, taking into account the changing circumstances and the new
realities in the international community and invites the
Secretary-General of the United Nations and the Director-General
of UNESCO to include specific proposals, taking into account the
view of governments, on the modalities of a mid-term review in
the second biennial report on the progress in the implementation
of the World Decade for Cultural Development, to be submitted to
the General Assembly at its forty-sixth session through the
Economic and Social Council,

Recognizing the need to increase the level of awareness and
understanding of the importance of culture for economic and human
development, to publicize the strategies for the World Decade for
Cultural Development and to assess the implementation of the
Decade Plan of Action in the light of the changing international
context,

Recommends that the Director-General, when making his proposals,
in consultation with the Secretary-General of the United Nations,
on the modalities of the mid-term review of the World Decade for
Cultural Development consider the following suggestions:

(a) that the purpose of the mid-term review should be to
    assess the implementation of the Decade Plan of
    Action, to increase the level of awareness and
    understanding of the importance of culture for
    economic and human development and to review the
    priorities of the Decade in the light of changing
    international realities,

(b) that preparatory work for the mid-term review begin
    with a series of five regional meetings on the theme
    'culture and development' under the auspices of UNESCO
and the regional economic commissions of the United Nations in 1993, designed to prepare a document for each region for the mid-term review that takes into account the views of Member States, regional governmental and non-governmental organizations and experts,

(c) that a working document for the mid-term review, based upon the regional inputs, be prepared in early 1994 by a working group including the five rapporteurs from the regional meetings,

(d) that two to three days during the forty-eighth session of the United Nations General Assembly be devoted to a mid-term review of the World Decade for Cultural Development at which time the document prepared by the working group and other appropriate documents should be considered.
CLT/MD/3 Annex II-A

Recommendation concerning the implementation of the World Decade for Cultural Development

The Intergovernmental Committee,

Recalling its Recommendation on Decade implementation, adopted at its first extraordinary session, which recommended that the Director-General consider 'setting aside US$1.5 million for Decade activities, of which $500,000 would be available for small grants under the provisions of the Participation Programme and $1 million would be used in the regular programme for significant regional, interregional or global strategies consistent with the key areas for Decade projects...','

Noting that the above-mentioned sum of $1 million has been reduced to $400,000 and that, furthermore, the present arrangements made by the secretariat provide for the total financing of the other projects under the Participation Programme, without distinguishing between Decade projects proper and other activities under the Participation Programme,

Bearing in mind that these measures have a considerable effect on the real possibility of financing the Decade projects,

Considering also that there is a Decade recommendation to set up in each Member State a National Committee for the World Decade for Cultural Development to be responsible, inter alia, for establishing priorities among the Decade projects,

Invites Member States that can afford to do so to make extra-budgetary contributions to the Decade so that it can be implemented better;

Urges the Director-General of UNESCO to:

1. take the recommendation on Decade implementation approved by the Intergovernmental Committee at its first extraordinary session into account when preparing the Draft Programme and Budget for 1994-1995 (27 C/5);

2. examine the possibility of reinstating the special fund for Decade projects, clearly differentiated from other existing funds under the Participation Programme.
Annex II-B

Recommendation concerning the mid-term evaluation of the World Decade for Cultural Development

The Intergovernmental Committee,

Recalling United Nations General Assembly resolution 45/189 on the World Decade for Cultural Development, which inter alia reaffirms its support for a mid-term review to assess the progress made in implementing the Plan of Action of the Decade and to make proposals to further strengthen activities in this area,

Recalling General Conference resolution 26 C/Resolution 3.2 (para. 6(b)), on the World Decade for Cultural Development, which invites the Director-General to take such steps as he may deem appropriate, in close co-operation with the Secretary-General of the United Nations, to ensure the preparation of the mid-term review of the Decade in accordance with the decision to be taken in this regard by the United Nations General Assembly at its forty-sixth session,

Noting that the Plan of Action of the Decade has a twofold goal, namely to revitalize the notion of culture for contemporary societies and raise it to the same level of concern as economic growth and social well-being, and to make the cultural dimension of development generally acknowledged among the decision-makers of the world,

Welcoming the progress made by Member States, international organizations and non-governmental organizations in developing activities within the framework of the Decade,

Noting that, while the importance of culture and its interaction with development over the years have been widely accepted by the international community through efforts by the United Nations, UNESCO and others concerned, the cultural dimension has yet to be given its due place and importance in the policies of Member States and international organizations,

Bearing in mind that the simultaneous mobilization of Member States, of the United Nations and its Specialized Agencies, of international governmental and non-governmental organizations, of private bodies and foundations and of individuals will make it possible to realize the ideals of the Decade,

Recognizing the need to ensure that the impact of the World Decade be reflected in the long-term policies of both Member States and the international organizations concerned,

Recommends that the Director-General, when he makes his proposals in consultation with the Secretary-General of the United Nations to further strengthen activities in this field, consider the possibility of suggesting the following action:
1. an appeal to Member States to establish comprehensive long-term policies for cultural development that underline the importance of the 'humanization' of development and pay due attention to its interaction with overall development;

2. the establishment of a firmer financial basis for cultural development in the light of its significance in overall development. The measures to achieve this objective may include:
   
   (a) an appeal to Member States and international organizations to give higher priority to cultural policies and programmes;
   
   (b) an appeal to the private sector, in particular businesses, to expand their support for culture;
   
   (c) an appeal to governments and public institutions to strengthen co-operation with the private sector, both at national and international level, in cultural development;
   
   (d) the establishment of closer ties between UNESCO and organizations that promote support for culture;

3. an appeal to Member States to strengthen their cultural administration and, if necessary, the relevant legislation;

4. the strengthening of networks of governmental agencies, international organizations, NGOs and other institutions concerned with cultural and economic development, and co-ordination of their efforts to further interaction between culture and development;

5. the collection, analysis and dissemination of information concerning the role of culture in overall development, in particular economic development, in co-operation with Member States and the organizations concerned; and

6. the implementation, in co-operation with Member States and the organizations concerned, of carefully selected programmes to assist Member States to develop a basis for cultural development, in particular the training of administrators, management personnel and cultural animators who will ensure that there is interaction between culture and socio-economic development.
Recommendation concerning the functioning of the
Intergovernmental Committee of the World Decade
for Cultural Development

The Intergovernmental Committee,

Considering 24 C/Resolution 11.12, paragraph 2(d),

Considering 135 EX/Decision 5.3.3, paragraph 9(v),

Considering the need to improve the functioning of the Committee,
particularly:

by maintaining the ad hoc working groups between sessions,

by ensuring a measure of continuity between the different
working sessions of the Committee and the Secretariat,

Recommends that the Director-General:

make provision in the forthcoming C/5 document for separate
budgetary resources for the Intergovernmental Committee of
the World Decade for Cultural Development, thus enabling
members of its Bureau to have and to develop periodic
contacts with the Secretariat and, through the Chairperson,
with the other members of the Committee, to attend certain
regional meetings and events relating to the Decade, and to
participate in prospecting for budgetary resources;

make swift financial arrangements so that, within the
present biennium, that measure of continuity and
effectiveness is present in the activities of the Bureau of
the Committee.

Recommendation concerning the implementation of
the International Programme of the World Decade
for Cultural Development

The Intergovernmental Committee,

Taking note with interest of the document concerning the
International Programme submitted for its consideration by the
Secretariat,

Giving its full support to the best possible implementation of
this programme in the prospect of its definitive establishment
by the General Conference at the latter's twenty-seventh session
(1993),

Noting the strong interest expressed by the regional groups in
three of the programme's four main themes: (a) tourism, culture
and development; (b) culture, development and technology: cultural industries; and (c) cultural pluralism towards the year 2000,

Recommends to the Member States, to UNESCO and other international organizations:

that they continue consultations and preparatory work with a view to finalizing programmes relating to these three themes and identifying possible partners for their coordination, execution and financing;

Recommends to the Bureau of the Committee:

that it review the progress of each of these three programmes at its next meeting (1993) as regards the means available for their implementation and their state of advancement;

that it inform the Committee as soon as possible, and later on the General Conference, about its recommendations on this matter;

Notes with interest the offers already made to co-ordinate, implement and finance these programmes, especially by the International Fund for the Promotion of Culture, and the possibility of co-operation with UNDP.

CLT/MD/3 Recommendation concerning the feasibility study on the 'Roads of Faith' project

The Intergovernmental Committee,

Considering 26 C/Resolution 3.7, adopted by consensus by the General Conference at its twenty-sixth session, inviting the Director-General 'to carry out a feasibility study on this matter and to submit it to the Intergovernmental Committee of the World Decade for Cultural Development at its next session',

Considering the importance and unique significance of the City of Jerusalem in human history,

Having taken note of the study by Professor John Bowker (CLT-92/CONF.201/7),

Considering that this project is consistent with the ideals of the Constitution and is integrated with the objectives of the World Decade for Cultural Development,

Takes note with satisfaction of document CLT-92/CONF.201/7;

Expresses its gratitude to Professor John Bowker for his
excellent study;

Thanks the Director-General for the efforts made to implement 26 C/Resolution 3.7;

Invites him to pursue his consultations with the international intellectual community and particularly with eminent representatives of the three monotheistic faiths concerned, with a view to the preparation of the Roads of Faith project as part of the implementation of 26 C/Resolution 3.7;

Requests the Director-General to submit the results of those consultations in a report to the General Conference at its twenty-seventh session.
RECOMMENDATIONS ADOPTED BY THE INTERGOVERNMENTAL COMMITTEE
OF THE WORLD DECADE FOR CULTURAL DEVELOPMENT
AT ITS FOURTH REGULAR SESSION

(Paris, 11–15 April 1994)

CLT/MD/4
Annex II–A
Recommendation concerning the Secretariat's report on the
implementation of the World Decade for Cultural Development
during the period 1992–1993

The Intergovernmental Committee,

Recalling resolution 3.12 adopted by the General Conference at its twenty-seventh session
on the 'Integral Study of the Silk Roads: Roads of Dialogue',

Recalling also that at the same session the General Conference took note of, and allocated
funds for, a resolution related to developing tourism circuits based on several pilgrim routes
and requested the Director-General to formulate a special regional programme for fostering
and developing environment-friendly tourism along ancient and medieval pilgrim routes
especially in South Asia, to be developed later into a regional programme covering East Asia,
Central Asia and South-East Asia,

Noting with satisfaction paragraphs 75 to 80 of document CLT–94/CONF.202/3 of
25 February which report on the implementation of the above-mentioned major intercultural
project under the World Decade for Cultural Development,

Invites the Director-General to prepare, for consideration at the next meeting of the Bureau
of the Intergovernmental Committee and if appropriate at the next meeting of the Committee
itself, a document evaluating the fall-out from each of the four Silk Routes expeditions
successfully organized under UNESCO auspices as well as indicating the financial
arrangements made for each expedition;

Recognizes that this experience would be of value in other major intercultural projects during
the remaining part of the Decade;

Further invites the Director-General to include in his report details of a plan to use the Silk
Roads to best advantage by developing a programme of environment-friendly cultural tourism
in co-operation with the World Tourism Organization;

Invites the Director-General also to inform the Bureau of the Intergovernmental Committee
on progress with regard to: (1) developing a tourist circuit based on pilgrim routes in South
Asia; and (2) mobilizing financial resources from the UNESCO budget as well as extra-
budgetary resources for the next Silk Route expedition planned.
The Intergovernmental Committee,

Bearing in mind United Nations General Assembly resolution A/45/189, of 21 December 1990, inviting the regional commissions, in consultation with governments and intergovernmental and non-governmental organizations, to carry out, within existing resources, an evaluation of the cultural factors influencing development, as a potential creator of jobs and generator of income;

Bearing in mind United Nations General Assembly resolution A/46/157, of 19 December 1991, inviting the Secretary-General of the United Nations and the Director-General of UNESCO to provide, in preparation for the global mid-term review, for 'an evaluation of the cultural factors influencing development as a potential creator of jobs and generator of income, to be carried out by the regional commissions in 1993';

Considering that identification of the influence of cultural factors on the creation of wealth, which is the subject of the evaluations requested, would make an important contribution to the Decade programme,

Noting that only one regional economic and social commission of the United Nations has carried out the evaluation requested,

Recommends that the regional economic and social commissions undertake the evaluations requested for 1 March 1997 so that their findings may be included in the final report on the World Decade for Cultural Development.
Recommendation concerning the follow-up to the Decade
Annex II-C

The Intergovernmental Committee,

Recalling that, after a slow and difficult start, the Decade has registered noteworthy progress in the course of the last biennium and found its cruising speed,

Noting with great satisfaction that various agencies and bodies in the United Nations system have participated in various ways in the implementation of the Decade, but regretting that the overall commitment to the Decade shown by these institutions remains very inadequate,

Welcoming the active commitment to the Decade of many non-governmental organizations,

Welcoming also the establishment in many Member States of national committees for the Decade, and recalling the importance of these structures for making decision-makers and civil society alive to the objectives of the Decade,

Considering the extent of the results to date and the need to ensure not only their development but also their continuation and long-term consolidation,

Observing none the less that the first objective of the Decade, the acknowledgement of the cultural dimension of development, is still often poorly understood or interpreted, probably because what is involved is a new multidisciplinary approach having numerous implications, the full potential of which can be grasped only through explanation and demonstration over a long period of time,

Noting that this ignorance of the objectives of the Decade is often reflected in projects that are mainly backward-looking, instead of innovative and forward-looking, and also in projects promoting the development of culture, instead of harnessing culture as a vector of development,

Recommends that the Director-General do everything possible to follow up the Decade, and in particular to place on the agenda of the extraordinary session of the Intergovernmental Committee of the World Decade for Cultural Development in 1995 an item relating to consideration of the possibility of a follow-up to the Decade.
CLT/MD/4 Recommendation concerning participation by the excluded and the deprived in cultural and economic life

The Intergovernmental Committee,

Recalling that the main objective of the World Decade for Cultural Development is to promote a fuller acknowledgement of the cultural dimension of development,

Recalling that cultural development forms part of all development efforts,

Noting with concern that the population groups excluded from society, within the meaning of United Nations General Assembly resolution A/46/121, adopted on 17 December 1991, are hardly affected by efforts to achieve development and that their situation calls for sustained attention and effort in every field,

Stressing the importance of culture in ensuring full and complete participation by such population groups in the social, economic and cultural development of their country,

Recommends that the Director-General encourage States members of the Intergovernmental Committee of the World Decade for Cultural Development, organizations of the United Nations system and all those involved in the World Decade for Cultural Development, particularly non-governmental organizations:

1. to give their full support to such excluded population groups so that they may attain the objectives set out in the resolution adopted by the United Nations General Assembly establishing an International Day for the Eradication of Poverty (A/47/196);

2. to promote, during the second half of the Decade, the implementation of measures to ensure increased participation in cultural life by those economically and culturally deprived or excluded from such participation.
RECOMMENDATIONS ADOPTED BY THE INTERGOVERNMENTAL COMMITTEE
OF THE WORLD DECADE FOR CULTURAL DEVELOPMENT
AT ITS SECOND EXTRAORDINARY SESSION
(Paris, 3-7 April 1995)

CLT/MD/5
Annex II-A

Recommendation concerning the Follow-up to the Decade

The Intergovernmental Committee,

Recalling the conclusions of the Mid-Term Summary Evaluation Report on the World Decade for Cultural Development based on replies received to a written consultation of Member States by the Director-General of UNESCO and the examination of that report by the Intergovernmental Committee of the World Decade for Cultural Development at its fourth regular session and subsequently by the United Nations General Assembly at its 49th session.

Recalling the recommendation concerning the follow-up to the Decade adopted by the Intergovernmental Committee of the World Decade for Cultural Development at its fourth regular session, by which the Committee recommends that the Director-General do everything possible to follow up the Decade.

Recalling the decision adopted by the Executive Board at its 145th session, in November 1994, notably the paragraph stating that 'the interactions between culture and development must be emphasized' in the Medium-Term Strategy (145 EX/Decision 4.1.II(b)).

Recalling resolution A/49/105, adopted by the United Nations General Assembly on 19 December 1994, concerning the implementation of the second part of the Decade and inviting all States and other partners of the Decade to promote the integration of cultural factors into all endeavours aimed at social and economic development.

Aware of the large concordance of views expressed at the time of the mid-term evaluation of the first half of the Decade, its achievements and its failings, and the measures to be taken to strengthen the programme and encourage increased mobilization of the Decade's partners during its second half,

Invites Member States, intergovernmental and non-governmental organizations, and institutions and agencies of the United Nations system, to mobilize their efforts in support of the Plan of Action of the Decade, which aims:

(a) to increase understanding of the relations between culture and development and encourage better integration of the cultural dimension in development projects and policies;

(b) to concentrate efforts on large-scale interdisciplinary projects launched and implemented in each region;

(c) to strengthen co-operation with the other partners of the United Nations system for the implementation of joint studies and projects with a view to including the cultural dimension of development in the planning of the fifth United Nations Development Decade;

(d) to promote and co-ordinate the efforts of the Decade's partners for the implementation of the Plan of Action of the Decade;
Requests the Director-General to take appropriate measures:

(a) to guarantee the necessary financial and human resources for the implementation of the Plan of Action and, in particular, requests him to maintain in the 1996-1997 biennium the measures applied during the last biennium with regard to the Participation Programme: an amount of US $1.5 million allocated exclusively for projects undertaken within the framework of the World Decade for Cultural Development, as well as the possibility of receiving, in addition to the authorized number of Participation Programme requests per country, two supplementary requests per Member State for Decade projects under this allocation, paying particular attention to the new orientations (CLT-95/CONF.207/5):

(b) to schedule the fifth and last regular session of the Intergovernmental Committee of the World Decade for Cultural Development in April 1997 so as to make that session coincide with the conclusion of the Decade:

(c) to ensure that taking the cultural dimension into account in the development process remains a priority in UNESCO’s programmes after the close of the Decade in 1997 and that this be concretely and specifically reflected in both the Organization’s structure and its activities in the period following the end of the World Decade for Cultural Development.
Recommendation concerning the Regional Cultural Capitals project

The Intergovernmental Committee,

Considering the value that the Regional Cultural Capitals project represents for cultural creativity and the promotion of the importance of culture in all human undertakings relating to development,

Considering the reflection on this subject initiated at the fourth regular session of the Intergovernmental Committee of the World Decade for Cultural Development and extended by a letter requesting the opinions of Member States,

Considering information document CLT/95/CONF.207/INF.4,

Takes note of the conclusions reached at the sixth Meeting of Ministers of Culture and Those Responsible for Cultural Policy in the Countries of Latin America and the Caribbean (La Serena, Chile, 1993) and of 144 EX/Decision 4.4.3, which constitute the basis for the implementation in the Latin America and Caribbean region (which has already been begun in the GRULAC countries) of the Regional Cultural Capitals project;

Invites Member States to implement the Regional Cultural Capitals project in accordance with the following principles:

(i) the objective of the project is to promote intercultural dialogue and to make better known the culture of the city chosen as cultural capital of its region;

(ii) the concept of the project is to organize a series of cultural events, festivals or symposia illustrating the above-mentioned objective;

(iii) the Member States, within any regional or subregional group structure of their choice, will decide on the selection process for the cultural capitals, and the programmes of events and their funding. UNESCO will make its contribution in the form of technical support and extra-budgetary fund-raising.
Recommendation concerning the World Cultural Atlas project

The Intergovernmental Committee.

Recalling 27 C/Resolution 3.2, in which the General Conference invited the Director-General to take those budgetary measures that he deemed most appropriate under the regular programme and the Participation Programme to provide increased and appropriate financial and technical assistance for the interdisciplinary, large-scale activities proposed by Member States as part of the World Decade for Cultural Development,

Noting that in that same resolution the General Conference invited the Director-General to take those measures necessary for priority to be given in the choice of projects to be financed under the regular programme of the Decade to those of an innovative nature capable of having a catalytic effect and entailing future-oriented cultural activities,

Stressing the need to ensure not only acknowledgement but also utilization of the work of the World Decade within the framework of the long-term policies of Member States and the international organizations concerned.

Considering that one of the two priority objectives of the Plan of Action for the Decade is to get decision-makers all over the world to acknowledge the cultural dimension of development,

Recalling too that one of the tasks assigned to the Decade is the collection, analysis and dissemination of information relating to the role of culture in development,

Recalling further that in 1993 the Bureau of the Committee approved the carrying out of a feasibility study on the publication of a regional atlas of the cultures of the world and supported the request for funding for it submitted by Switzerland under the 1994-1995 Participation Programme,

Having taken cognizance with great interest of the study duly carried out by Professor Hans-Peter Müller, of the Institute of Ethnology of the University of Zurich,

Considering that this atlas would show the diversity and wealth of cultures all over the world and raise the reader's awareness of the legitimacy of this diversity, and that it would therefore make an important contribution to the programme for the Decade,

Stressing in particular that the atlas would be a choice instrument for visualizing and analysing in a pragmatic manner the numerous links between culture and development and that it could thus support in a particularly useful way the Report of the World Commission on Culture and Development, a major product of the Decade,

Recommends that the Director-General:

1. consult specialists from every region of the world, including publishers and possible funding sources, in order to consider the findings of the feasibility study and look at possible follow-up action, and to report on the matter to this Committee at its next session;
2. draw the attention of Member States to this important project and invite them to support it through extra-budgetary contributions or by any other means available to them;

3. invite all the agencies of the United Nations system participating in the World Decade for Cultural Development to support the project, in particular by furnishing free of charge any details requested for production of the atlas.
Recommendation concerning the Silk Roads project

The Intergovernmental Committee,

Considering 27 C/Resolution 3.12 on the Integral Study of the Silk Roads: Roads of Dialogue, adopted by the General Conference at its twenty-seventh session, in which support was expressed for the setting up of the International Institute for Central Asian Studies (IICAS),

Considering the importance of giving support to Central Asian countries in establishing this Institute, whose mandate will be to co-ordinate and undertake research and multidisciplinary studies on the region, including inter alia the preservation and protection of the physical and non-physical heritage, archaeology, ethnography and the social sciences,

Having taken note with satisfaction of the results of the consultative meeting of experts held in Samarkand in October 1994, which agreed in principle on the creation of IICAS as a regional network with its centre in Samarkand and specialized branches in other Central Asian countries (CLT-95/CONF.207/3),

Invites the Director-General to pursue consultations with the countries of the region and the international intellectual community engaged in Central Asian studies, and to continue to provide the technical support necessary to render the Institute rapidly operational;

Requests him to report to the General Conference at its twenty-eighth session with a view to ensuring the continued support of the Organization to the Institute in the next biennium and henceforth as a post-Decade activity;

Takes note of and transmits the following resolution for consideration through the 146th session of the Executive Board to the General Conference at its twenty-eighth session:

The General Conference:

Noting with satisfaction the establishment of the International Institute for Central Asian Studies (IICAS) in Samarkand in August 1995,

Recognizing that Central Asia is a coherent unit of the study with important common civilizational features,

Realizing that it offers considerable scope for further documentation for comparative research as a collaborative international effort,

Realizing the need to make its heritage more accessible to scholarship worldwide,

Noting that its heritage lies scattered in numerous institutions, in various countries around the world,

Noting further that single items of this heritage are often fragmented and distributed in museums and other institutions in these countries,
Recognizing the need to make copies of these fragments and to assemble the originals in electronic and print formats,

Recognizing further the need to map the locations where these items were found,

Invites Member States to collaborate with the International Institute for Central Asian Studies (IICAS) in the documentation of this heritage, the reconstruction of originals from fragments, and the identification of the locations of their creation and the routes of their dissemination, all in print and electronic formats;

Recommends that participating Member States should seek to identify institutions for assuming the responsibility and networking in this collaborative venture;

Requests the Director-General to formulate a regional programme covering Central Asia which will:

(a) document the location of Central Asian antiquities and items of its heritage now scattered in various institutions worldwide;

(b) publish the information in catalogues in print and electronic formats;

(c) reconstitute the originals in print and electronic formats; and

(d) identify and map the sites where these items were originally found;

Invites him further to initiate a feasibility study for this regional programme for the documentation of Central Asian Antiquities, a heritage now dispersed through the world.

CONCEPT NOTE CONCERNING ANNEX II-D

Central Asia has commanded attention in the past as a civilization that was of seminal importance to others and for distinctive features of its own. UNESCO's Silk Road project has focused worldwide attention on the area in recent years. As with so many other great civilizations its heritage now lies scattered in repositories around the world. It is therefore essential to know what exists globally, where the various items are, and, in particular, where the fragments of any single original item are located, so that an effort may be made to reconstruct this material eventually in print or electronic media. As part of such a strategy of reconstituting a fragmented heritage, the original sites would also have to be identified, mapped and reconstructed for research purposes in multimedia and other forms.

The multi-ethnic and multi-national region of Central Asia has been of critical import, both historically and in the world of today. Its peoples have bequeathed a rich artistic legacy that is available for study. Knowledge of its components is not, unfortunately, available in any unified or conveniently accessible form for scholarly enquiry. Documenting and cataloguing this vast and diverse corpus of historical material is essential for an appreciation of the importance of this civilization. This can be accomplished only by the combined efforts of experts drawn from different countries and disciplines.
Recommendation concerning the theme
Culture, science, technology and the media

The Intergovernmental Committee.

Considering the importance assumed by the mass media in the spread of culture, and noting its beneficial and adverse effects.

Considering also the involvement of the power of the media in modifying behaviour and cultural practices in different societies and cultures.

Recommends the urgent inclusion of the theme 'Culture, science, technology and media' as one of the priority fields selected for the next biennium and proposes the initiation of a process of reflection and the organization of a symposium on this important issue.

Recommendation concerning an international agreement
on culture and development

The Intergovernmental Committee.

Recalling decision 5.5.8 of the Executive Board (145th session), which requests from the Secretariat a study on the feasibility of an international instrument on culture and development.

Invites Member States to contribute with the Secretariat to the in-depth study which is to be submitted to the Executive Board on the feasibility of an international agreement on culture and development.