PROPOSALS BY MEMBER STATES FOR THE CELEBRATION OF ANNIVERSARIES IN 2006-2007 WITH WHICH UNESCO COULD BE ASSOCIATED

OUTLINE

**Source:** 171 EX/Decision 46 and 172 EX/Decision 44.

**Background:** At its 159th session (May 2000) the Executive Board, by 159 EX/Decision 7.5, adopted the criteria and procedure for examining proposals for the celebration of anniversaries in the Member States with which UNESCO could be associated. Pursuant to that decision, the Director-General submitted to the Executive Board at its 171st and 172nd sessions the 63 proposals set out below, which have been chosen and are recommended by the Board to the General Conference.

**Purpose:** The Director-General submits to the General Conference for approval the recommendations made by the Executive Board with regard to the 63 anniversaries with which UNESCO could be associated in 2006-2007.

**Decision required:** paragraph 3.

1. According to the procedure adopted by the Executive Board at its 159th session (159 EX/Decision 7.5) with regard to the proposals of Member States concerning the celebration of anniversaries with which UNESCO could be associated, the Executive Board at its 171st session initially recommended to the General Conference for approval 59 anniversaries proposed by 44 Member States (171 EX/Decision 46).
2. At its 172nd session, the Executive Board examined appeals submitted by Member States in accordance with the above procedure and recommended to the General Conference that four more anniversaries proposed by five Member States (three which had been the subject of an appeal and one substitution request) be included in the list of anniversaries to be celebrated by UNESCO in 2006-2007 (172 EX/Decision 44). The final list of anniversary celebrations with which UNESCO could be associated is presented below.

3. The General Conference may wish to adopt the following resolution:

The General Conference,

Having examined document 33 C/12,

1. Encourages the Member States of all regions to make proposals with a view to ensuring an improved geographical distribution and gender balance, by also selecting eminent women, as far as possible, according to the criteria approved by the governing bodies;

2. Decides that UNESCO will be associated with the celebrations of the following 63 anniversaries in 2006-2007 (listed in French alphabetical order of Member States):

   1. 150th anniversary of the death of Heinrich Heine (Germany);
   2. 100th anniversary of the birth of Dietrich Bonhoeffer (Germany);
   3. 50th anniversary of the death of Bertolt Brecht (Germany);
   4. 100th anniversary of the birth of Jean Carzou (Garnik Zoulumian) (Armenia);
   5. 100th anniversary of the birth of Norair Sisakyan (Armenia);
   6. 250th anniversary of the birth of Wolfgang Amadeus Mozart (Austria);
   7. 150th anniversary of the birth of Sigmund Freud (Austria);
   8. 100th anniversary of the award of the Nobel Prize to Bertha von Suttner (Austria);
   9. 100th anniversary of the birth of Letif Kerimov (Azerbaijan);
  10. 200th anniversary of the birth of Napoleon Orda (Belarus);
  11. 500th anniversary of the birth of Lambert Lombard (Belgium);
  12. 100th anniversary of the death of King Gbehanzin of Abomey (Benin);
  13. 100th anniversary of the death of Marin Drinov (Bulgaria);
  14. 100th anniversary of the birth of Emilian Stanev (Bulgaria);
  15. 150th anniversary of the birth of Nikola Tesla (Croatia);
  16. 150th anniversary of the birth of Dragutin Gorjanovic Kramberger (Croatia);
  17. 100th anniversary of the birth of Vladimir Prelog (Croatia);
18. 100th anniversary of the birth of Alejandro García Caturla (Cuba);
19. 100th anniversary of the birth of Jorge Icaza (Ecuador);
20. 100th anniversary of the creation of the Committee for the Promotion of Studies and Scientific Research (Spain);
21. 250th anniversary of the foundation of the Russian Academy of Fine Arts (Russian Federation);
22. 200th anniversary of the foundation of “The Moscow Kremlin” State Historical and Cultural Museum-Reserve (Russian Federation);
23. 150th anniversary of the State Tretyakov Gallery (Russian Federation);
24. 300th anniversary of the birth of Georges-Louis Leclerc, known as (comte de) Buffon (France);
25. 100th anniversary of the death of Paul Cézanne (France);
26. 50th anniversary of the death of Irène Joliot-Curie (France);
27. 1,500th anniversary of the construction of the Jvari Church in Mtskheta (Georgia);
28. 900th anniversary of the construction of the Gelati Monastery (Georgia) architectural complex and cultural center;
29. 100th anniversary of the beginning of Bartók’s and Kodály’s systematic field research to collect traditional folk music (Hungary);
30. 400th anniversary of the first performance of Claudio Monteverdi’s Orfeo (Italy);
31. 300th anniversary of the birth of Carlo Goldoni (Italy);
32. 100th anniversary of the birth of Luchino Visconti (Italy);
33. 100th anniversary of the birth of Hideki Yukawa (Japan);
34. 500th anniversary of the death of Aisha al-Baounieh (Jordan);
35. 100th anniversary of the birth of Akhmet Zhubanov (Kazakhstan);
36. 100th anniversary of the birth of Akzhан Zhaksybekuly Mashani (Kazakhstan);
37. 100th anniversary of the birth of Abdylas Maldybaev (Kyrgyzstan);
38. 800th anniversary of the foundation of Cesis city (Latvia);
39. 50th anniversary of the First International Congress of Negro Writers and Artists (Mali);
40. 200th anniversary of the birth of Benito Juárez (Mexico);
41. 150th anniversary of the death of Danzanravjaa Duldüitiin (Mongolia);
42. 100th anniversary of University Evening Classes in West Africa (Nigeria);
43. 1,300th anniversary of the birth of al-Khalil Bin Ahmed al-Farahidi (Oman);
44. 2,750th anniversary of the foundation of the city of Samarqand (Samarkand) (Uzbekistan);
45. 2,000th anniversary of the foundation of the city of Marg’ilon (Margilan) (Uzbekistan);
46. 150th anniversary of the birth of Joseph Conrad Korzeniowski (Poland);
47. 100th anniversary of the birth of Jerzy Giedroyc (Poland);
48. 100th anniversary of the establishment of the city of Mbandaka and the Zoo and Botanical Garden of Eala (Democratic Republic of the Congo);
49. 300th anniversary of the death of Jirí Josef Kamel (Czech Republic);
50. 150th anniversary of the establishment of the Secondary School of Glassmaking in Kamenický Šenov (Czech Republic);
51. 100th anniversary of the birth of Jaroslav Ježek (Czech Republic);
52. 50th anniversary of the establishment of St. Joseph’s Kaengesa Seminary (United Republic of Tanzania);
53. 100th anniversary of the first flight of a heavier-than-air aircraft entirely propelled by an on-board engine, produced and earlier used by the Wright Brothers in their 1903 flight, performed by Traian Vuia (Romania);
54. 50th anniversary of the death of Constantin Brancusi (Brâncusi) (Romania);
55. 100th anniversary of the birth of Grigore Moisil (Romania);
56. 100th anniversary of the birth of Léopold Sédar Senghor (Senegal);
57. 100th anniversary of the birth of Ladislav Hanus (Slovakia);
58. 100th anniversary of the birth of Ludovit Rajter (Slovakia);
59. 100th anniversary of the birth of the Venerable Buddhadasa Bhikkhu (Thailand);
60. 600th anniversary of the death of Abdurrahman Ibn Khaldun (Tunisia, Morocco, Egypt, Algeria and Afghanistan);
61. 800th anniversary of the birth of Mevlana Celaleddin-i Belhi-Rumi (Maulana Jalal-ud-Din Balkhi Rumi) (Turkey, Egypt and Afghanistan);
62. 150th anniversary of the birth of Ivan Franko (Ukraine);
63. 100th anniversary of the birth of Ivan Bahriany (Ukraine);
3. **Also decides:**

   (a) that any contribution by the Organization to these celebrations will be financed under the Participation Programme, in accordance with the rules governing that programme;

   (b) that the list of anniversaries with whose celebration UNESCO will be associated in 2006-2007 be hereby closed.