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**Rabindranath Tagore, Pablo Neruda and Aimé Césaire
for a reconciled universal**

The General Conference,

1. *Having examined* document 35 C/53 which highlights the interdisciplinary and intersectoral contents of the works of Rabindranath Tagore (1861-1941), Pablo Neruda (1904-1973) and Aimé Césaire (1913-2008), emphasizing the originality of each set of works while exploring the close relations between them, for the development of a universal which matches the expectations of peoples in particular through the strengthening of bridges between cultures and civilizations,
2. *Recognizes* the importance of these three sets of works and the pivotal, pioneering and topical exemplarity of their message, for enhancing UNESCO's efforts towards a reconciled universal;
3. *Emphasizes* the relevance of this programme whose innovative character updates UNESCO's interdisciplinary action in response to the context of the global crisis, recommending the attachment to it of authors, creative workers and scientists whose message could enrich and expand the envisaged set of themes;
4. *Taking into consideration* the celebration of the International Year for the Rapprochement of Cultures in 2010, which provides a favourable context for the launch of a programme of activities focused on the works of Tagore, Neruda and Césaire, and of the constellation around them;
5. *Encourages* Member States and public and private institutions to implement 180 EX/Decision 58 and, in particular, to initiate publishing, translation and research

programmes in national languages, in order to enhance the tangible and intangible heritage of these works, in strict observance of the rights of copyright holders and their legal successors, given the need to act as national, regional and international intermediaries able to give effect to the programme and its theme, in all the required dimensions, with special emphasis on youth;

6. *Endorses* 180 EX/Decision 58 of the Executive Board and *adopts* the launch of this programme in the 2010-2011 biennium and its integration in the Medium-Term Strategy (C/4) with a particular interdisciplinary operational framework appropriate for sustained action;
7. *Invites* the Director-General to submit to the Executive Board at its 184th session specific proposals for the implementation of interdisciplinary and intersectoral programmes in connection with the work of these three authors, providing it with resources from the regular budget, and to mobilize, with the support of a high-level sponsoring committee, the additional extrabudgetary funds required for major international mobilization.