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**GENERAL REGULATION FOR THE SAFEGUARDING
OF FOLKLORE**

1. In pursuance of Resolution 15.3 adopted by the General Conference of Unesco at its twenty-third session (Sofia, October-November 1985) and in accordance with paragraph 15.109 of the Work Plan relating to that resolution, the Director-General of Unesco convened a Special Committee of Technical and Legal Experts on the Safeguarding of Folklore, which met at Unesco Headquarters from 1 to 5 June 1987.
2. The Special Committee was charged with the responsibility to prepare draft international regulations in the afore-mentioned field in order to examine the measures to be taken with a view to guaranteeing, within the framework of a global approach and on an interdisciplinary basis, the safeguarding of folklore.
3. It is to be noted that taking into consideration the earlier deliberations on this subject, particularly, those in the meetings of the two Committees of Governmental Experts on the Safeguarding of Folklore, convened by Unesco in 1982 and 1985 respectively, in the resolution mentioned in paragraph 1 above, the General Conference decided, among others, that «the question of the safeguarding of folklore could be the subject of an international instrument in the form of a recommendation to Member States» and invited the Director-General to convene a special committee of governmental experts to examine the question and to report on this matter to the next session of the General Conference in 1987.
4. The Special Committee considered the 'solutions to the problems raised by the safeguarding of folklore' as proposed by the Second Committee of Governmental Experts on the Safeguarding of Folklore

meeting in 1985, in the light of the studies submitted by Mr. Pierre Sammy Mackfoy on the 'Social, economic and political implications of the safeguarding of folklore in developing countries' (UNESCO/PRS/CLT/TPC/SPL/3) and by Professor Lauri Honko on the 'Possibilities of international co-operation and regulation on the safeguarding of folklore' (UNESCO/PRS/CLT/TPC/SPL/4) and recommended that an international regulation in the form of a recommendation may be adopted to regulate the safeguarding of folklore and adopted a draft of such a recommendation.

5. As desired by the resolution cited above, the results of the Special Committee will be reported to the next (twenty-fourth) session of the General Conference (Paris, October-November 1987) for its decision regarding the desirability of the adoption of the recommendation for international regulation of the safeguarding of folklore.