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Ministry of Culture, Arts and Heritage
Heritage Dept.



Dear Mrs. Ce`cile Duvello,
Secretary, Convention for the Safeguarding
Of the Intangible Cultural Heritage
Chief, intangible Cultural Heritage Section
UNESCO- Paris

Kindly be informed that Qatar National Inventory of Intangible Cultural Heritage (ICH) is composed of Intangible Heritage elements covering the five domains of ICH. This inventory is deposited at Qatar Ministry of Culture, Arts and Heritage.

Falconry has been included in this inventory (18th August 2009) with the active participation of communities and individuals. Qatar was the host of the Gulf Cooperation Folklore Center for 22 years, and a large corpus of ICH data has been collected, classified, archived and published. All the data of the GCC Folklore Center is deposited now with the Heritage Department and provide the base of Qatar National ICH Inventory.

Additional data was collected by Qatar Ministry of Culture, Arts and Heritage and Qatar University. Qatar Radio and TV, Qatar National Museum, the Cultural Village, and Qatar Tourism Authority. All these entities provided heritage information. Civil societies and organizations, mainly Al Qanas (Falconer) Society, Qatar Olympic Committee, Qatar Foundation, Performing Arts Organizations and Committees as well as numerous individuals also participated in the process of inventory making and the inclusion of falconry and other ICH element on this inventory list which is currently in progress. The inventory will be monitored and updated every four years.

The inventory is regularly updated whenever new fieldwork is carried out. Further, it is planned that the inventory will be updated every four years.

With Best Regards,

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Director of Heritage Department

