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DRAFT RESOLUTION

Submitted by **ARGENTINA**

Proposal for the establishment in Villa Ocampo, Buenos Aires, Argentina, of a regional centre for arts and culture, as a category 2 centre under the auspices of UNESCO

The General Conference,

1. Recalling 35 C/Resolution 103,
2. Having examined document 37 C/COM.CLT/DR.3,
3. Welcomes the proposal of the Government of Argentina to establish, in the premises of the Villa Ocampo, a regional centre for arts and culture, as a category 2 centre under the auspices of UNESCO;
4. Invites the Executive Board to examine, at its 194th session, the related draft agreement and to approve, if it deems it appropriate to do so, the establishment, in the premises of the Villa Ocampo, of a regional centre for arts and culture, as a category 2 centre under the auspices of UNESCO;
5. Also invites the Executive Board to authorize the Director-General to sign the agreement establishing, in the premises of the Villa Ocampo in Buenos Aires, Argentina, a regional centre for arts and culture, as a category 2 centre under the auspices of UNESCO.

EXPLANATORY NOTE

1. Following the request of UNESCO to improve cost-efficiency in the use made of the Villa Ocampo (owned by UNESCO since 1973), situated in the province of Buenos Aires, and taking into account the difficult financial situation currently faced by the Organization, UNESCO has requested the collaboration of the Government of the Republic of Argentina in relation to the situation. Subsequently, on 26 December 2012, Argentina requested the Director-General to conduct a feasibility study on the proposal to establish, in the premises of the Villa Ocampo, a regional centre for arts and culture, as a category 2 centre under the auspices of UNESCO.
2. This has led, in 2013, to the near finalization of a draft agreement between UNESCO and the Republic of Argentina.
3. Owing to the time required to fine-tune some administrative details in order to finalize the wording of the above-mentioned draft agreement, the latter could not be submitted to the Executive Board at its 192nd session. Argentina therefore wished to place the item on the provisional agenda of the 37th session of the General Conference and proposes that the latter invite the Executive Board to examine the finalized draft agreement at its 194th session and to decide, should it be considered appropriate to do so, to grant category 2 status to the centre.