

**38TH SESSION - UNESCO GENERAL CONFERENCE
DELEGATES INFORMATION BUREAU**

COMMISSION IV - CULTURE

Date	13 November 2015	Room	II
N° meeting	4	Hour	From: 3 p.m To: 6 p.m

Chairperson(s)	H. E. Mr Arūnas Gelūnas	Country	Lithuania
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SUMMARY OF DEBATE(S)

Items examined	4.11 (Continuation) 7.3 (Continuation) 4.22 6.2		
Debate no	5 6	Debate status	End End
DRs examined The definitive list of draft resolutions will be announced at the beginning of each debate.			
Countries that took floor	Canada, Brazil, Poland, France, United States of America, Italy, Syrian Arab Republic, Germany, Senegal, Tunisia, Spain, Guinea, Ecuador, Colombia, Czech Republic, Norway, Denmark, Benin, Japan, Singapore, Finland, Latvia, Algeria, New Zealand, Philippines, Greece, Lithuania, Kenya, Oman, United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland, Sweden, Hungary, Austria, Mexico, Peru, Thailand, United Arab Emirates, Turkey, Gabon, United Republic of Tanzania, Dominican Republic, Nicaragua, Cuba, Morocco, Chili, Honduras, Tunisia.		
Summary of debate	<p>Debate N° 5 – (continuation)</p> <p>- Item 4.11 (continuation). Debate N°5 continued with 13 Member States taking the floor. (DR on the <i>Reinforcement of UNESCO's action for the Protection of cultural heritage and the promotion of cultural pluralism in the event of armed conflict</i>.)</p> <p>After the comments and reply of ADG/CLT to the debate, the draft resolution was adopted with amendments</p> <p>- Item 7.3: After the introduction by the Chairperson and presentation by ADG/CLT, 3 Member States took the floor and the draft resolution on <i>the Reports on the measures taken for the implementation of the 1970 Convention on the Means of Prohibiting and Preventing the Illicit Import, Export and Transfer of Ownership of Cultural Property</i> was adopted with amendments.</p> <p>-</p>		

	<p>- The Commission took note of the 4 activity reports submitted in documents 38 C/REP/19, 38 C/REP/20, 38 C/REP/21, 38 C/REP/22) , as follows:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Report of the Intergovernmental Committee for the protection of the world cultural and natural heritage on its activities (2014-2015); • Report on the activities of the Intergovernmental Committee for Promoting the Return of Cultural Property to its Countries of Origin or its Restitution in case of illicit appropriation; • Report of the Intergovernmental Committee for the Safeguarding of the Intangible Cultural Heritage on its activities (June 2012-June 2014); • Report on the activities of the International Fund for the Promotion of Culture (IFPC). <p>Debate N° 6 -</p> <p>- Item 4.22 on <i>the Re-Design of the UNESCO-Aschberg Bursaries for Artists and amendment of the International Fund for the Promotion of Culture (IFPC)</i> was examined. After the intervention by 3 Member States, the draft resolution was adopted without amendments.</p> <p>- Item 6.2 on the <i>Proposal for a non-binding standard-setting instrument on the protection and promotion of various aspects of the role of museums and collections</i> was subject to an interesting debate where the role of museums was highlighted in safeguarding heritage in all its forms. A presentation was made by the Deputy-Permanent Delegate of Canada as rapporteur of the Intergovernmental Meeting of Legal and Technical Experts in charge of the drafting of the Recommendation (May 2015). 40 Member States and The International Council Museums (ICOM) took the floor. The Draft resolution was adopted with some amendments.</p> <p>End of the works of Culture Commission.</p>