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**INTERGOVERNMENTAL COMMITTEE
FOR PROMOTING THE RETURN OF CULTURAL PROPERTY
TO ITS COUNTRIES OF ORIGIN OR ITS RESTITUTION
IN CASE OF ILLICIT APPROPRIATION**

Seventeenth session

30 June - 1 July 2011, UNESCO Headquarters (Room XI), Paris

PROVISIONAL AGENDA

Thursday, 30 June

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| 10 – 10.15 am | Opening of the 17 th session by the Director-General of UNESCO |
| 10.15 – 10.30 am | Adoption of the Agenda and re-conduction of the Bureau* |
| 10.30 – 11.30 am | Report of the Secretariat on the follow-up of the recommendations adopted during the 16 th session and on its activities related to the fight against illicit traffic of cultural property

<i>Discussion</i> |
| 11.30 am – 1 pm | Consideration of cases pending before the Committee: <ul style="list-style-type: none">○ The Parthenon Marbles (United-Kingdom – Greece)○ The Sphinx of Boğazköy (Germany – Turkey) Follow-up of the case between the Islamic Republic of Iran against Ms Wolfcarius-Maleki

Reports by Member States and discussion |
| 1 – 3 pm | <i>Lunch break</i> |
| 3 – 3.45 pm | Continuation of the Reports by Member States and discussion |
| 3.45 – 4.45 pm | Reports of UNESCO's partner institutions: UNIDROIT, WCO, UNODC, ICOM |
| 4.45 – 5.30 pm | Work of the Committee of Experts on the preparation of model rules defining State ownership of cultural property
<i>Marc-André Renold, Professor, University of Geneva</i> |

* Composition of the Bureau : application of the article 5.1 of the Rules of Procedure of the Committee

Discussion

5.30 – 6 pm Presentation of the European Commission's invitation to tender and the 'Hermès 2011' study regarding the means to prevent and fight against the illicit trafficking of cultural property.
Representative of the European Commission

Discussion

6.30 pm *Cocktail*

Friday, 1 July

10 – 11.30 am Update concerning the activities of police and judicial forces specialized in the fight against the illicit trafficking of cultural property:

- INTERPOL
- Carabinieri (Italy)
- Office Central de lutte contre le trafic des Biens Culturels (OCBC) (France)
- Historical Heritage Brigade, National Police Forces (Spain)
- Prosecutor of the Republic of Bulgaria

Discussion

11.30 am – 12.15 pm "Les Prédateurs de l'art perdu" presentation of a study about the illicit trafficking of archaeology in the world
Fabio Isman, Journalist

Discussion

12.45 – 1 pm Presentation of the *Conseil des ventes volontaires* regarding the draft code of ethics for auction houses
Pierre Taugourdeau, Deputy Secretary-General, Conseil des ventes volontaires (France)

1 – 3 pm *Lunch break*

3 – 5 pm Legal, practical and awareness-raising tools

- Screening of the BBC film « Stealing the past» (2011)
- Database of National Cultural Heritage Laws
- UNESCO's draft database on return and restitution
- Screening of a 15-minute awareness-raising video for the general public on the fight against the illicit trafficking of cultural property in South-East Europe – produced by the UNESCO Office in Venice (BRESCE)

Discussion

5 – 6 pm Adoption of the Recommendations
Date and venue of the next ordinary session

Closure of the meeting