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Digital Preservation Costs

1. The Bureau, at its 7th meeting, noted the high costs of digital storage (hardware and software), especially for multimedia materials. The Secretariat was asked to investigate this issue, including identifying work being carried out by other agencies, and report back to the next Bureau meeting.
2. The Secretariat has examined the subject and presents a map outlining the framework for possible action, main issues and suggestions for UNESCO's role (Annex).
3. The Bureau may wish to suggest that this issue be further discussed by the Memory of the World Sub-Committee on Technology during its forthcoming meeting, in Amsterdam, the Netherlands, 17-18 May 2005.

