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**SECOND PROTOCOL TO THE HAGUE CONVENTION OF 1954
FOR THE PROTECTION OF CULTURAL PROPERTY
IN THE EVENT OF ARMED CONFLICT**

**COMMITTEE FOR THE PROTECTION OF CULTURAL PROPERTY
IN THE EVENT OF ARMED CONFLICT**

**Seventh meeting
UNESCO Headquarters, Paris
20 to 21 December 2012**

**Item 7 of the Provisional Agenda:
Report of El Salvador on the use of the financial assistance granted from the Fund
for the Protection of Cultural Property in the Event of Armed Conflict**

1. At its sixth Meeting, the Committee approved by its decision 6.COM 6 the request submitted by El Salvador for financial assistance from the Fund for the Protection of Cultural Property in the Event of Armed Conflict in the amount of US\$ 23,500.
2. By this decision, the Committee invited El Salvador to prepare a report on the use of the financial assistance approved herein for its seventh Meeting, with a view to ensuring its appropriate monitoring and evaluation.
3. Such a report was submitted by El Salvador on 6 November 2012 and is annexed to the present document.
4. The Committee may wish to adopt the following decision:

DRAFT DECISION 7.COM 5

The Committee,

1. Having examined document CLT-12/7.COM/CONF.201/5 together with its annex,
2. Recalling Decision 6.COM 6 approving the request for financial assistance from El Salvador in the amount of US\$ 23,500 from the Fund for the Protection of Cultural Property in the Event of Armed Conflict,
3. Further recalling that the same decision invited El Salvador to prepare a report on the use of the financial assistance approved herein for its seventh Meeting, with a view to ensuring its appropriate monitoring and evaluation,
4. Takes note with satisfaction of the report submitted by El Salvador;
5. Commends El Salvador for its commitment to meet its obligations regarding the financial assistance granted;
6. Invites El Salvador to continue its efforts in raising awareness on the importance of protecting cultural property and in strengthening its engagement in the protection of its cultural property in general;
7. Further invites El Salvador to prepare a final report on the use of the financial assistance for its eighth Meeting, with a view to ensuring its appropriate monitoring and evaluation.

Annex

Report of El Salvador on the use of the financial assistance granted from the Fund for the Protection of Cultural Property in the Event of Armed Conflict

Implementation of Phase III of dissemination, sensitization, and identification of cultural property with the Blue Shield emblem of protection in the event of armed conflict

This third phase aspires to accomplish the following objectives:

- Ensure the marking with the Blue Shield emblem of 5 sites considered as cultural heritage and that have great historical and cultural value for the Salvadoran population;
- Disseminate the purpose of the Blue Shield emblem among the Salvadoran general population, highlighting the importance of the preservation and identification of cultural property;
- Capacity-building on international humanitarian law and particularly on the 1954 Hague Convention for the different sectors of the population;
- Awareness-raising among the integrated networks of local actors in order to create links and appropriation with regard to the cultural property.

At the same time, this effort will also include a publication of the report of the Third Phase of identification and the elaboration of promotional material, as well as the development of several workshops for active members of the local communities and national authorities directly responsible for the protection and conservation of the five cultural properties, which are: (i) "La Casona" (The Museum Forma) (ii) San Miguel Arcángel Parish Church, Huizúcar, department of La Libertad; (iii) Corinto Cave or Cave of the Holy Spirit, in Corinto Morazan, (iv) Barrientos Family House in Izalco, Sonsonate, (v) Monument of the Memory and Truth, located in the Cuscatlán Park in San Salvador.

Methodology:

The methodology that has been implemented for the development of the activities, is the same one used in Phase I of identification of cultural property that has evolved through the experience and for which it was necessary to give more flexibility to our methods in order to adapt them to each geographical region or specific situation, allowing us to establish the following steps:

- a. Construction of a network of local contacts for each cultural property to be marked (the local contacts are the immediate referents of the civil society in the departments in which the cultural property is located and the persons who, due to the nature of their institutional function, should participate in this project)
- b. Capacity-building workshops
- c. Public ceremonies on the occasion of the placement of the Blue Shield emblem
- d. Production of a final report of the process

Expected Results:

1. Dissemination of the "1954 Hague Convention for the Protection of Cultural Property in the Event of Armed Conflict" through mass media.
2. Marking of 5 properties considered as cultural heritage with the Blue Shield emblem and its respective training courses.

Implementation of the Work Plan:

The process started with:

1. The establishment of contact with social and institutional actors that work within the territory to which the cultural property belong (in the Municipality of Corinto, Department of Morazán and the Municipality of Izalco in the Department of Sonsonate);
2. The production of the material to distribute during each training course.

In addition, we have started the phase of dissemination of Phase III of identification of cultural property with the Ministry of National Defense.

We have also executed several workshops of dissemination and capacity-building by the experts of the CIDIH-ES to the Network of Local Contacts of the Municipalities of Izalco (Sonsonate) and the Municipality of Corinto (Morazán), as well as the competent institutions accordingly with the following modules:

- CIDIH-ES;
- 1954 Hague Convention for the Protection of Cultural Property in the Event of Armed Conflict and its implementation by the States Parties;
- The Blue Shield emblem and its meaning;
- Heritage value of the property to identify.

Due to inflation and to the rise of costs of dissemination of the cultural property through mass media, we will prioritize the media in which the Project will be published. However, we are implementing another strategy in order to enlarge the network of contacts on a national level for the protection of cultural property in the event of armed conflict.

From the Sub-Commission for the Protection of Cultural Property of the CIDIH-ES, we have created 3 Commissions which are: Capacity-Building, Logistics and Documentation. These Commissions have distributed and acquired operative responsibilities for the execution of the Project of Phase III of identification, which are broken down as follows:

1. Develop the capacity-building

Activities	Dates	Progress	
Logistics Commission			
1	Produce and send the communications to the representatives of the entities to be convened	10/07/2012	We fixed the dates for the visits of recognition and for the bilateral meetings with the heads of the territorial institutions.
2	Construction of the Local Contacts Networks (LCN)	27/07/2012 to 30/12/2012	We have contacted the Municipalities where the cultural properties to be marked are located, and as a first step we transmitted the information of the execution of the Project of Phase III of identification.
3	Ensure the basic conditions for the execution of the workshops (support for the audiovisual material, etc. during the execution of the workshops)	14/08/2012 to 30/12/2012	We have guaranteed the places in which the capacity building and awareness raising workshops will take place within the territories in which the cultural property to be marked is located.

4	Coordination with the Heads of the Secretariat of Culture in the territories concerned	16/07/2012 to 30/07/2012	We are in permanent contact and the Secretariat of Culture has manifested its entire commitment to the execution of the Project of Phase III. In some cases, they have provided experts in the cultural property to be marked (for instance, for the Corinth Cavern, they have provided an archeologist for the accompaniment of the whole Project).
5	Meeting with local Networks of Corinto, Cave of the Holy Spirit (Municipality of Corinto, Morazan)	21/09/2012	Training course addressed to 30 persons of different institutions and organisms. The workshops are completed and the cultural property is ready for the act of identification.
6	First meeting with local Networks of the Municipality of Izalco, Barrientos' Family House. (Municipality of Izalco, Sonsonate)	28/09/2012	First workshop executed
7	**Second meeting with local Networks of the Municipality of Izalco, Barrientos' Family House.	08/11/2012	Last workshop of capacity-building and awareness-raising
8	**First meeting with local Networks, Monument "Memory and Truth"	15/11/2012	Tentative dates pending confirmation by the City Council of San Salvador
9	**First meeting with local Networks, The Museum Forma	20-21/11/2012	Tentative dates pending confirmation by the Board of Directors "Julia Diaz", administrators of the Museum Forma
Capacity-Building Commission			
1	Updates of the module of the Capacity-Building workshops for Phase III of identification of cultural property (at least 3 workshops per Municipality)	05/07/2012 to 31/08/2012	<p>We are currently working on the content of the subjects to develop within the capacity-building trainings; the general themes are:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • CIDIH-ES • 1954 Hague Convention for the Protection of Cultural Property in the Event of Armed Conflict. Every State Party is obliged to apply it. • The Blue Shield emblem and its meaning • Heritage value of the property and why? Which Convention protects it?
2	Development of the subjects of the capacity-building trainings	27/07/2012 to 30/12/2012	Dates in which we will have at least 2 workshops per cultural property
3	Capacity-building for the territorial military detachment of the Department Morazán (themes: DIH, Protection of cultural property, Blue Shield emblem, phases of identification of the cultural property)	27/07/2012	<p>Officers of the School of Infantry assigned to the Military detachment of Morazán participated in the training courses and awareness-raising workshop</p> <p>Workshops addressed to Officers that are in progress of promotion to Captains and Mayors</p> <p>Specific cultural property: "Corinto Cave"</p>

4	Capacity-building for the territorial military detachment of the Department of San Salvador and La Libertad (themes: DIH, Protection of cultural property, Blue Shield emblem, phases of identification of the cultural property)	21/08/2012	<p>Officers of the School of Infantry assigned to the Military detachment of San Salvador and La Libertad participated in the training courses and awareness –raising workshop</p> <p>Workshops addressed to Officers that are in progress of promotion to Captains and Mayors</p> <p>Specific cultural properties: The Museum Forma, Monument of the Memory and Truth, San Miguel Arcángel Parish Church</p>
5	Capacity-building for the territorial military detachment of the Department of Sonsonate (themes: DIH, Protection of cultural property, Blue Shield emblem, phases of identification of the cultural property)	26/09/2012	<p>Officers assigned to the Military detachment of Sonsonate participated in the training courses and awareness –raising workshop</p> <p>Workshops addressed to Officers ranked as Captains and Mayors</p> <p>Specific cultural property: Barrientos family House</p>

2. Ensure awareness-raising

Activities		Dates	Progress
Logistics Commission			
1	Design and publication of the material	16/07/2012 to 14/09/2012	We are currently designing the art of the materials to produce and that will be used in the workshops
Documentation Commission			
1	Collect and document written and photographic evidence (memory help) of the whole process.	Throughout the project	We have updated the photos of the cultural property to be marked in this Phase III, we have the updated technical data sheet of each cultural property.
2	Produce the final report of the Project	01/02/2013 to 05/03/2013	This report will be made once the 5 cultural properties are marked with the Blue Shield emblem.
Capacity-Building Commission			
1	Production of the audiovisual supports of the capacity-building trainings	15/08/2012 to 07/09/2012	They will be made once each subject is defined.
2	Presentation of the Project of Phase III of identification of the cultural property to the City Council of San Salvador	23/10/2012	<p>The permanent Secretary of the CIDIH – ES, made a statement before the City Council, giving the formal request for the identification of a cultural property located within the property of the Municipality, also requesting the creation of a inter-institutional commission to ensure the follow-up and the execution of the Project.</p> <p>We are expecting the answer from the City Council.</p>
3	**Presentation of the Project of Phase III of identification of the cultural property to the Board of Directors “Julia Diaz”, administrators of the Museum Forma	06/11/2012	The permanent Secretary of the CIDIH – ES, will make a presentation of the Project of Phase III of identification of the cultural property and will request the creation of a inter-institutional commission to ensure the execution of the activities.

4	**Capacity-building for the territorial networks of human rights, historians, restorers and of civil society, on the protection of cultural property through the Hague Convention of 1954 and Phase III of identification of cultural property.	5, 7, 9, 12, 14 and 16 of November 2012	In the Municipality of San Salvador and La Libertad
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3. Ensure the marking of the Blue Shield emblem

Activities		Dates	Progress
Logistics Commission			
1	Identification activities (logistics, public ceremony, etc.)	01/12/2012 to 31/01/2013	We will start once the phase of capacity-building is over and we have foreseen to have the 5 cultural properties marked by January 2013.
2	**Act of identification in the Municipality of Corinto, Morazán	14/12/2012	Unveiling act of the Blue Shield emblem in the Cave of The Holy Spirit
	**Act of identification in the Municipality of Izalco, Sonsonate	17/12/2012	Unveiling act of the Blue Shield emblem in the Barrientos family House
Capacity-Building Commission			
1	Support to the activities of identification	01/12/2012 to 31/01/2013	
2	Capacity-building and awareness raising to the competent institutions on the Blue Shield emblem and the Protection of Cultural Property on the Event of armed conflict	05/10/2012	First workshop executed
3	Capacity-building and awareness raising to the competent institutions on the Blue Shield emblem and the protection of cultural property on the event of armed conflict	31/10/2012	Second workshop executed

** This information concerns the activities that have not been executed but that are foreseen for the months to come.