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Item 3 of the Agenda: Nominations to be examined by the World Heritage Committee in 2003: Status of Nominations received by the World Heritage Centre

SUMMARY

This document presents a list of nominations submitted by States Parties to be examined by the World Heritage Committee in 2003. The list includes all nominations received by the World Heritage Centre up until the time of preparation of this document.

This document also outlines the procedure applied by the Centre to determine whether a nomination is "full and complete" as requested by the 24th and 25th sessions of the Committee (Cairns, December 2000 and Helsinki, December 2001).

Results

Applying the Committee's decision in Cairns (December 2000) that only one new nomination could be submitted by a State Party with properties already inscribed on the World Heritage List, the total number of new "full and complete" nominations to be transmitted to the Advisory Bodies for evaluation and examination by the Committee in 2003, was **seven**. **Two** extensions were also transmitted for evaluation. **Nineteen** nominations, **two** extensions and **one** deferred nomination lacking minor pieces of supplementary information, were determined "almost complete." Under paragraph 65 of the *Operational Guidelines*, additional information may be requested after examination by the Advisory Bodies. Rather than submit only 7 new nominations to the Committee for review in 2003, paragraph 65 has been interpreted as an opportunity to request the supplementary information necessary to make the 19 "almost complete" nominations "full and complete".

Action required:

The 25th session of the Committee agreed that if more than 30 complete nominations were received by the Centre by 1 February 2002 the matter would be referred to the April 2002 Bureau for guidance. Since this is not the case, this document is presented to the Bureau for information only.

The Bureau may wish to,

- (i) reflect on the overall conclusions presented in this document;
- (ii) make recommendations to the 26th session of the World Heritage Committee concerning the selection of nominations to be examined by the Committee in 2003 and,
- (iii) make recommendations to the 26th session of the World Heritage Committee to establish a priority system to limit the number of nominations to be examined by the Committee in 2004.

Procedure applied by the World Heritage Centre to determine whether a nomination is “full and complete”

In total, **57** nominations were received by 1 February 2002. These included **50** new nominations submitted by 34 States Parties, **6** nominations for extensions and **1** nomination deferred from an earlier session of the Committee. **Seven** States Parties submitted a total of **15** nominations to be set aside for consideration by future sessions of the Committee. In the majority of cases, these States Parties have indicated a priority order in which nominations should be examined in successive years. This priority order is indicated in the list following.

Of the 57 nominations received by 1 February 2002, **35** were new nominations submitted for consideration by the Committee in 2003. Of these, the World Heritage Centre determined that:

- **7** nominations were "**full and complete**" (designated with an "**F**" in the list),
- **19** nominations were "**almost complete**" (designated by an "**A**"); and
- **9** nominations were "**incomplete**" ("**I**").

These terms were defined as follows:

A nomination was considered to be "**full and complete**" if all information requested by the World Heritage Committee in the Nomination Format was submitted in the required number of copies by 1 February 2002.

A nomination was determined to be "**almost complete**" if the missing information could be supplied without modification to the nomination text. For example, if the only missing elements were a map or slides, or there were an insufficient number of copies, the nomination was considered "almost complete".

If the nomination required textual changes (for instance, if no justification was provided, or sections of the nomination were omitted), the nomination was considered "**incomplete**".

Results

As noted above, only seven new nominations were determined to be "full and complete," in addition to **two** extensions. Under paragraph 65 of the *Operational Guidelines*, additional information may be requested after examination by the Advisory Bodies. **Nineteen** nominations, **two** extensions, and **one** deferred nomination lacking minor pieces of supplementary information were determined "almost complete." Rather than submit only 7 new nominations to the Committee for review in 2003, paragraph 65 has been interpreted as an opportunity to request the supplementary information necessary to make the nomination "full and complete".

At the time of the preparation of this document, the Centre was writing to all the States Parties who had submitted nominations to advise them of the status of their nominations. On 5 March 2002 the Centre will have transmitted the 7 "full and complete" nominations and 19 "almost complete" nominations to the Advisory Bodies for their evaluation, in addition to the four extensions, and one deferred nomination.

Overall conclusions:

Compared to previous years, the list of nominations demonstrates an increase in the number of States Parties nominating sites (34 States). Five States Parties with no World Heritage properties submitted a total of seven nominations. Overall, a wider variety of types of properties have been nominated. Furthermore, the need to determine whether a nomination is “full and complete” has given the World Heritage Centre an opportunity to review its technical registration procedures and to ensure more rigour and objectivity to the process on a global basis.

The results presented in this document demonstrate that the use of the criterion "full and complete" by itself has been sufficient to implement the decision of the 24th session of the Committee (Cairns, 2000) to examine in 2003 no more than 30 new nominations. Additional selection criteria were therefore not required.

Key to list of nominations

F	Nomination was "full and complete" on 1 February 2002
A	Nomination was "almost complete" on 1 February 2002
I	Nomination was "incomplete" on 1 February 2002
F – I	Nomination is for two extensions to one property. One extension is "full and complete", the other is "incomplete"
NG	At the time of the preparation of this document, the State Party had not yet given a priority order to the supplementary nominations it had set aside with the World Heritage Centre.
C, N, N/C	Cultural, Natural and Mixed natural and cultural nomination
bis	suffix applied to the Identification number of a proposed Extension to a property
Rev	suffix applied to the Identification number of a nomination that has been substantially revised by the State Party

Nominations which were set aside for examination in future nomination cycles, or which were incomplete are highlighted in grey.

Status of Nominations Received by the World Heritage Centre as of 25 February 2002

State Party	Proposed World Heritage Property	ID No.	Date Received	Status	State Party Priority
Argentina	Quebrada de Humahuaca	C 1116	31/01/02	A	
Australia	Purnululu National Park	N/C1094	25/01/02	A	
Austria	National Park Hohe Tauern and Großglockner High Alpine Road	N/C1089	24/01/02	I	
Azerbaijan	Gobustan Reservation	C1076	24/10/01	I	1
Azerbaijan	The Mausoleum of Yusif ibn Kuseyr, the Mausoleum of Momine-Khatun, "Gyulistan" Mausoleum, "Karabaglar" Mausoleum	C 1075	24/10/01	I	NG
Azerbaijan	Fire worshippers Temple in Surakhani	C 1074	24/10/01	I	NG
Benin	Route de l'Esclave au Bénin	C 1109	30/01/02	I	
Brazil	Rio de Janeiro: Sugar Loaf, Tijuca Forest and the Botanical Gardens	N/C 1100	29/01/02	F	
Chile	A Section of the Historical Area of Valparaiso	C 959 Rev	21/01/02	A	
China	Three Parallel Rivers National Park	N 1083	14/01/02	A	1
China	The Historic Monuments of Macao	C 1110	31/01/02	A	2
China	Kaiping Diaolou	C 1112	31/01/02	A	3

State Party	Proposed World Heritage Property	ID No.	Date Received	Status	State Party Priority
China	Fujian Tulou	C 1113	31/01/02	A	4
China	Yin Xu	C 1114	31/01/02	F	5
China	Honghe Hani Terraced Rice Fields	C 1111	31/01/02	A	6
Colombia	Paisaje cultural cafetero	N/C 1121	01/02/02	I	
Czech Republic	The Jewish Quarter and St Procopius' Basilica in Trebíč	C 1078	16/11/01	A	
Democratic People's Republic of Korea	Nominated Complex of Koguryo Tombs	C 1091	25/01/02	F	SP with no sites
Dominican Republic	Parque Nacional del Este and its buffer zone	N/C 1080	08/01/02	F	
Egypt	Ras Mohammed	N 1086	22/01/02	A	
France	Le massif corallien et les écosystèmes associés de Nouvelle-Calédonie	N 1115	31/01/02	I	
Germany	The Town Hall and Roland on the Marketplace of Bremen	C 1087	22/01/02	A	
India	Rock Shelters of Bhimbetka	C 925	29/01/02	I	1
India	Champaner-Pavagadh Archaeological Park	C 1101	29/01/02	A	2
Iran	Takht-e Suleiman	C 1077	14/11/01	I	1
Iran	Pasargadae	C 1106	29/01/02	I	2
Iran	Monumental Complex of the Mausoleum of Sheikh Safi al-Din-e Ardabili	C 1104	29/01/02	I	3
Israel	The White City of Tel-Aviv	C 1096	28/01/02	A	NG
Israel	The Biblical Tel	C 1108	28/01/02	I	NG
Israel	Incense and Spice Road and its Sites (The Negev Segment)	C 1107	28/01/02	I	NG
Kazakhstan	Steppe and Lakes of Northern Kazakhstan	N 1102	29/01/02	A	SP with no sites
Kazakhstan	The Mausoleum of Khoja Ahmed Yasawi	C 1103	29/01/02	F	SP with no sites
Mexico	Franciscan Missions in the Sierra Gorda of Queretaro	C 1079	05/12/01	A	
Mongolia	Hovsgol Lake and nearby Shamanistic and Tsaatan Landscape	N/C 1082	09/01/02	I	SP with no sites
Mongolia	Orkhon Valley Cultural Landscape	C 1081	09/01/02	F	SP with no sites
Nigeria	Osun-Osogbo Cultural Landscape	N/C 1118	31/01/02	I	NG
Nigeria	Benin Kingdom Earthworks: Ekhor-Udo Cultural landscape	C 1119	31/01/02	I	NG
Poland	The Valley of the Pradnik River in the Ojcowski National Park - a unique complex of cultural landscape	C 1085	21/01/02	A	
Portugal	Landscape of the Pico Island Vineyard Culture	N/C 1117	31/01/02	A	
Russian Federation	Citadel, Ancient City and Fortress buildings of Derbent	C 1070	28/06/01	A	1
Russian Federation	The Ensemble of the Novodevichy Convent	C 1097	28/01/02	A	2
Russian Federation	Historical Centre of the City of Yeniseisk	C 1072	28/06/01	A	3
Russian Federation	The First Railway Bridge over the Yenisei River ¹	C 1071	28/06/01	A	
Slovakia	Meadow-Pasture Landscape of Slovakia	C 1095	28/01/02	I	
Slovenia	Franja Partisan Hospital	C 1088	22/01/02	A	
South Africa	Mapungubwe Cultural Landscape	C 1099	29/01/02	F	
Spain	Ubeda-Baeza: Urban duality, cultural unity ²	C 522 Rev	25/01/02	A	

¹ By letter dated 29 January 2002 the State Party requested that the nomination be presented in 2002 for inscription on the World Heritage List and on the List of World Heritage in Danger. See working document WHC-02/CONF.201/12.

² At its 13th session, in 1989, the Committee decided that this property should not be inscribed on the World Heritage List.

State Party	Proposed World Heritage Property	ID No.	Date Received	Status	State Party Priority
Sudan	Gebel Barkal et les sites de la région napatéenne	C 1073	28/06/01	A	SP with no sites
Switzerland	Monte San Giorgio	N 1090	24/01/02	A	
Turkey	Mardin Cultural Landscape	C 1098	29/01/02	A	
United Kingdom	Royal Botanic Gardens, Kew	C 1084	17/01/02	F	
Extensions of Properties Already Inscribed on the World Heritage List					
Brazil	Jaú National Park (extension to form the Central Amazon Protected Areas)	N/C 998bis	01/02/02	F	
Brazil	Parc National Serra da Capivara	N/C 606bis	29/01/02	A	
China	Imperial Tombs of the Ming and Qing Dynasties (extension to include the Ming Dynasty Xiaoling Tomb and the 13 tombs north of Beijing)	C 1004bis	31/01/02	F - I	
Iran	Naqsh-e Rostam and Naqsh-e Rostam (Extension to Persepolis)	C 114bis	29/01/02	I	
Panama	Archaeological Site of Panamá Viejo (extension to the Historic District of Panamá)	C 790bis	01/02/02	A	
South Africa	Cape Floral Region of South Africa Phase 2	N 1007bis	29/01/02	I	
Deferred nomination					
Gambia	James Island and Related Sites	C 761 Rev	31/01/02	A	SP with no sites; Deferred site
Nominations Received After 1 February 2002					
Armenia	Amaghu Valley Cultural Landscape		05/02/02	Not examined by the Centre	
Cyprus	Wine Village Terraces		05/02/02	Not examined by the Centre	
Jordan	Um er-Rasas (Kastron Mefa'a)		21/02/02	Not examined by the Centre	
India	Victoria Terminus		13/02/02	Not examined by the Centre	
Zimbabwe	Matobo Hills		19/02/02	Not examined by the Centre	