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**190 EX/37 and Add.**

### DECISIONS ADOPTED BY THE EXECUTIVE BOARD AT ITS 190th SESSION

#### **Item 37 Remit and terms of reference of the open-ended tripartite working group for the review of the cooperation of UNESCO's Secretariat with National Commissions (190 EX/37 and Add.)**

The Executive Board,

1. Recalling 189 EX/Decision 16,
2. Also recalling that the National Commissions for UNESCO are established by Member States' governments under Article VII of UNESCO's Constitution,
3. Having examined documents 190 EX/37 and Add.,
4. Takes note of the discussions at the regional consultations on documents 37 C/4 and 37 C/5 on the follow-up to the review of cooperation between the UNESCO Secretariat and the National Commissions;
5. Approves the remit and the terms of reference of the open-ended tripartite working group composed of representatives of the Permanent Delegations to UNESCO, the National Commissions for UNESCO, and the Secretariat;
6. Invites the open-ended tripartite working group to organize its work according to the time-frame proposed under section V "Working modalities" of document 190 EX/37;
7. Requests the open-ended tripartite working group to develop an action plan to follow-up on the review of the Internal Oversight Service (IOS), including detailed timelines and responsibilities for the implementation of the group's recommendations, for consideration by the Executive Board at its 191st session, and subsequently to report thereon to the General Conference at its 37th session.