**CONVENTION FOR THE SAFEGUARDING OF THE
INTANGIBLE CULTURAL HERITAGE**

**GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATES PARTIES TO THE CONVENTION**

**Sixth session**

**UNESCO Headquarters, Room II**

**30 May to 1 June 2016**

**Item 2 of the Provisional Agenda:**

**Election of the Bureau**

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| **Decision required:** paragraph 4 |

1. According to Rule 3 of its Rules of Procedure, the Assembly shall elect a Chairperson, one or more Vice-Chairpersons and a Rapporteur. The General Assembly customarily includes representatives of each of the six electoral groups in the Bureau, electing the Chairperson and Rapporteur by name and the Vice-Chairpersons by State Party.
2. At its fifth session (2 to 5 June 2014), the General Assembly elected:
* H.E. Mr Awad Ali Saleh (United Arab Emirates) as its Chairperson;
* Norway, Czech Republic, Brazil, Malaysia, Congo as its Vice-Chairpersons; and
* Ms Panagiota Adrianopoulou (Greece) as its Rapporteur.
1. As of 1 March 2016, the following 166 States had deposited their respective instruments of ratification, acceptance or approval and shall participate in the sixth session of the General Assembly as States Parties to the Convention:

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| **Group I**  | Andorra, Austria, Belgium, Cyprus, Denmark, Finland, France, Germany, Greece, Iceland, Ireland, Italy, Luxembourg, Monaco, Netherlands, Norway, Portugal, Spain, Sweden, Switzerland, Turkey |
| **Group II**  | Albania, Armenia, Azerbaijan, Belarus, Bosnia and Herzegovina, Bulgaria, Croatia, Czech Republic, Estonia, Georgia, Hungary, Latvia, Lithuania, Montenegro, Poland, Republic of Moldova, Romania, Serbia, Slovakia, Slovenia, Tajikistan, The former Yugoslav Republic of Macedonia, Ukraine, Uzbekistan |
| **Group III**  | Antigua and Barbuda, Argentina, Bahamas, Barbados, Belize, Bolivia (Plurinational State of), Brazil, Chile, Colombia, Costa Rica, Cuba, Dominica, Dominican Republic, Ecuador, El Salvador, Grenada, Guatemala, Haiti, Honduras, Jamaica, Mexico, Nicaragua, Panama, Paraguay, Peru, Saint Lucia, Saint Vincent and the Grenadines, Trinidad and Tobago, Uruguay, Venezuela (Bolivarian Republic of) |
| **Group IV**  | Afghanistan, Bangladesh, Bhutan, Brunei Darussalam, Cambodia, China, Democratic People's Republic of Korea, Fiji, India, Indonesia, Iran (Islamic Republic of), Japan, Kazakhstan, Kyrgyzstan, Lao People's Democratic Republic, Malaysia, Marshall islands, Micronesia (Federated States of), Mongolia, Myanmar, Nauru, Nepal, Pakistan, Palau, Papua New Guinea, Philippines, Republic of Korea, Samoa, Sri Lanka, Tonga, Turkmenistan, Vanuatu, Viet Nam |
| **Group V(a)**  | Benin, Botswana, Burkina Faso, Burundi, Cabo Verde, Cameroon, Central African Republic, Chad, Comoros, Congo, Côte d’Ivoire, Democratic Republic of the Congo, Djibouti, Equatorial Guinea, Eritrea, Ethiopia, Gabon, Gambia, Ghana, Guinea, Kenya, Lesotho, Madagascar, Malawi, Mali, Mauritius, Mozambique, Namibia, Niger, Nigeria, Rwanda, Sao Tome and Principe, Senegal, Seychelles, Swaziland, Togo, Uganda, United Republic of Tanzania, Zambia, Zimbabwe |
| **Group V(b)**  | Algeria, Bahrain, Egypt, Iraq, Jordan, Kuwait, Lebanon, Mauritania, Morocco, Oman, Palestine, Qatar, Saudi Arabia, Sudan, Syrian Arab Republic, Tunisia, United Arab Emirates, Yemen |

1. The General Assembly may wish to adopt the following resolution:

DRAFT RESOLUTION 6.GA 2

The General Assembly,

1. Having examined document ITH/16/6.GA/2,
2. Recalling Rule 3 of its Rules of Procedure,
3. Elects \*\*\* (name/State Party) Chairperson of the General Assembly;
4. Elects \*\*\* (name/State Party) Rapporteur of the General Assembly;
5. Elects \*\*\* (State Party), \*\*\* (State Party), \*\*\* (State Party) and \*\*\* (State Party) Vice-Chairpersons of the General Assembly.