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WORLD HERITAGE COMMITTEE

Extended forty-fourth session

**Fuzhou (China) / Online meeting
16 - 31 July 2021**

Item 3 of the Provisional Agenda: Adoption of the Agenda and Timetable of the extended 44th session of the World Heritage Committee (Fuzhou/online, 2021)

3B. Provisional Timetable of the extended 44th session of the World Heritage Committee (Fuzhou/online, 2021)

SUMMARY

This document contains the Provisional Timetable of the extended 44th session of the World Heritage Committee (Fuzhou/online, 2021).

Draft Decision: 44 COM 3B, see Point II

I. BACKGROUND

1. Due to the global COVID-19 pandemic, and following their unanimous decision in April 2020 to postpone the 44th session of the Committee to a later date, the members of the Bureau of the 44th session have been consulted in writing by the Chairperson of the World Heritage Committee on 31 August 2020 on determining the dates of the 44th session. Subsequently, the Bureau held an online meeting on 16 October 2020 during which it considered that the conditions for a session of the World Heritage Committee in 2020 were not met and suggested that the World Heritage Committee meet as soon as possible in an extraordinary session to decide on the dates of the 44th session (Decision **44 COM/BUR 1.3**).
2. At its 14th extraordinary session, held online on 2 November 2020, the World Heritage Committee decided to hold an extended 44th session in June/July 2021 in Fuzhou (China) (Decision **14 EXT.COM 4**).
3. Subsequently, at its 15th extraordinary session, held online on 29 March 2021, the World Heritage Committee decided that the extended 44th session will be held in an online format, as described in Document WHC/21/15.EXT.COM/3 (Section III.B - "online session") from 16 to 31 July 2021, and adopted the corresponding timetable contained in Annex 3 of the above-mentioned document (Decision **15 EXT.COM 3**).
4. During its discussion, the Committee also agreed that 20 July 2021 would not be a working day.
5. The Secretariat has duly taken into account these various elements and proposes that the Committee adopt the adjusted timetable included in Section II below. The working hours indicated in the timetable are to be understood as referring to the CET time ("Paris time").

II. PROVISIONAL TIMETABLE

N.B: As per Decision 15 EXT COM 3, Items 4, 5A, 5B, 5C, 5D, 6, 8A, 8C, 8D, 8E, 9A, 10C, 10D marked in grey in the Timetable below shall be examined without debate. Therefore, it is to be understood that for these items, the Committee will only be asked to examine the related Draft Decisions.

Also note that as per Decision 15 EXT COM 3, 20 July shall not be a working day.

16 July		17 July	18 July	19 July
			11.00 – 11.30 BUREAU MEETING	11.00 – 11.30 BUREAU MEETING
	11.30 - 15.30	<p>11.30 Item 2 Admission of Observers</p> <p>11.45 Item 3 Adoption of the Agenda and Timetable</p> <p>12.00 Item 4 Report of the Rapporteur of the 43rd session of the World Heritage Committee (Baku, 2019)</p> <p>12.15 Item 14 Presentation of the final accounts of the World Heritage Fund for 2018-2019, Report on the execution of the budget for the biennium 2020-2021, Budget proposal of the World Heritage Fund under the biennium 2022-2023 and follow-up to Decision 43 COM 14 [Constitution of consultative body]</p> <p>12.20 Item 11 Follow-up to Recommendations of Evaluations and Audits on Working Methods and outcomes of the ad-hoc working group [Opening of the item]</p> <p>12.25 Item 12 Revision of the <i>Operational Guidelines</i> [Constitution of consultative body]</p> <p>12.30 Item 5A Report of the World Heritage Centre on its activities and the implementation of the World Heritage Committee's Decisions</p> <p>13.00 Item 5B Reports of the Advisory Bodies</p> <p>13.30 Item 5C Progress report on Priority Africa, Sustainable Development and World Heritage</p> <p>14.00 Item 5D World Heritage Convention and Sustainable Development</p> <p>14.30 Item 6 Follow-up to the World Heritage Capacity-building Strategy and Progress Report on the World Heritage-related category 2 centres</p> <p>15.00 Videos from the Young Heritage Professionals and Site managers Online Fora 2021</p> <p>15.15 Item 7 State of conservation of World Heritage properties [Opening of the item and message from the Site Managers Forum]</p>	<p>11.30 Item 7 (Cont'd)</p> <p>12.00 Item 7C Draft Updated Policy Document on the impacts of Climate Change on World Heritage properties</p> <p>13.00 Item 7A State of conservation of World Heritage properties inscribed on the List of World Heritage in Danger</p>	11.30 Item 7A (Cont'd)
13.00-14.30 Item 1 Opening of the session – Opening Ceremony in Fuzhou				
15.00 – 16.00 BUREAU MEETING				

	20 July	21 July	22 July	23 July
	No session	11.00 – 11.30 BUREAU MEETING	11.00 – 11.30 BUREAU MEETING	11.00 – 11.30 BUREAU MEETING
11.30 - 15.30	No session	11.30 Item 7A (Cont'd) 12.00 Item 7B State of conservation of World Heritage properties inscribed on the World Heritage List	11.30 Item 7B (Cont'd)	11.30 Item 7B (Cont'd)

	24 July	25 July	26 July
	11.00 – 11.30 BUREAU MEETING	11.00 – 11.30 BUREAU MEETING	11.00 – 11.30 BUREAU MEETING
11.30 - 15.30	11.30 Item 8 Nomination process [Opening of the item] 12.30 Item 8A Tentative Lists submitted by States Parties 12.45 Item 8B Nominations to the World Heritage List	11.30 Item 8B (Cont'd)	11.30 Item 8B (Cont'd)

	27 July	28 July	29 July
	11.00 – 11.30 BUREAU MEETING	11.00 – 11.30 BUREAU MEETING	11.00 – 11.30 BUREAU MEETING
11.30 - 15.30	11.30 Item 8B (Cont'd)	11.30 Item 8B (Cont'd) 14.15 Item 8D Clarifications of property boundaries and areas by States Parties 14.30 Item 8E Review and approval of retrospective Statements of Outstanding Universal Value 14.45 Item 8C Update of the World Heritage List and of the List of World Heritage in Danger 15.00 Item 9A Upstream Process	11.30 Item 10A Report on the results of the Third Cycle of the Periodic Reporting exercise in the Arab States 12.30 Item 10B. Report on the results of the Third Cycle of the Periodic Reporting exercise in Africa 13.30 Item 10C. Progress report on the implementation of the Action Plans for the Second Cycle of Periodic Reporting in all regions 14.00 Item 10D Progress report on the Third Cycle of Periodic Reporting in the other regions 14.30 Item 7 State of conservation of World Heritage properties [Closing of the item]

	30 July	31 July
	11.00 – 11.30 BUREAU MEETING	
11.30 - 15.30	<p>11.30 Item 11 Follow-up to Recommendations of Evaluations and Audits on Working Methods and outcomes of the ad-hoc working group [closing of the item]</p> <p>12.30 Item 12 Revision of the <i>Operational Guidelines [Report of the consultative body]</i></p> <p>13.15 Item 8 Nomination process [Closing of the item]</p> <p>13.45 Item 13 International Assistance</p> <p>14.00 Item 14 Presentation of the final accounts of the World Heritage Fund for 2018-2019, Report on the execution of the budget for the biennium 2020-2021, Budget proposal of the World Heritage Fund under the biennium 2022-2023 and follow-up to Decision 43 COM 14 [Report of the consultative body]</p> <p>14.30 Item 15 Other Business</p> <p>14.45 Item 16 Election of the Chairperson, Vice-Chairpersons and Rapporteur of the 45th session of the World Heritage Committee</p> <p>15.15 Item 17 Provisional Agenda of the 45th session of the World Heritage Committee</p>	<p>11.30 Item 18 Adoption of Decisions</p> <p>and</p> <p>Item 19 Closing session</p>

NB. Report preparation by the Secretariat and the Rapporteur will be done offline.

III. DRAFT DECISION

Draft Decision: 44 COM 3B

The World Heritage Committee,

1. *Having examined Document WHC/21/44.COM/3B,*
2. *Recalling Decision **15 EXT.COM 3**, adopted at its 15th extraordinary session (online, 2021),*
3. *Adopts the timetable contained in the above-mentioned document.*