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The Secretary,

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Cultural Heritage

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**Paris** 

France,

Sir,

This is to convey to UNESCO that Argungu Emirate Council \under my chairmanship recommends and support the inscription of Argungu Fishing Festival and the AFF Photo Book in to the UNESCO Representative lists of Humanity.

We thank you in anticipation.

Alh. Sama'ila Muhammad Mera

Emir of Argungu.





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## SUBMISSION OF ARGUNGU FISHING AND CULTURAL FESTIVAL FOR INSCRIPTION ON THE REPRESENTATIVE LIST OF ICH OF HUMANITY IN 2006 CYCLE: LETTER OF FREE, PRIOR AND INFORMED CONSENT

On behalf of Argungu people, I write to you in respect of the above nomination entry from Nigeria conveying to UNESCO as the convening authority and the custodian of my people's cultural patrimony. This is role handed over to me by my ancestors and I have carried it out with utmost pride and in conformity with our rich traditions. I have convened the Argungu Emirate in Council in order to process our candidature file for Argungu fishing and cultural festival in consultation with the fishermen's guild and other important stakeholders.

- 2. Let me express my sincere support and grant your esteem organization free, prior and informed consent.
- 3. Please, accept the assurances of my warmest regards.

Alh. Sama'ila Muhammad Mera

**Emir of Argungu** 

Madam Cecile Duvelle
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## LETTER OF SUPPORT FOR THE INSCRIPTION OF ARGUNGU FESTIVAL AND CULTURAL FESTIVAL ON UNESCO REPRESENTATIVE LIST

Permit me to write on behalf of all the guilds that participated in the above festival. Our guild is that of fishermen, who organized with other custodians of our culture, the fishing festival which is the culmination of Nature, Culture and Agriculture, the key three elements for the sustenance of cultural life in Argungu.

- Our network provided the necessary synergy for the socialization of our young generation as well as for the documentation of the creative aspects of our culture. All this is done through research at the Usman Dan Fodio University, Sokoto as well as consistent competition between our youth groups.
- 3. We sincerely hope that we have provided sufficient information in the questionnaire as well as the video and photo package.
- 4. Please accept kind assurance of our member's highest regards.

Aliyu. A. Mohammad

Secretary

