

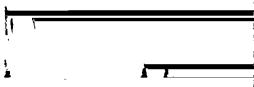


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## CONFERENCE OF PARTIES TO THE CONVENTION ON THE PROTECTION AND PROMOTION OF THE DIVERSITY OF CULTURAL EXPRESSIONS

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**RESOLUTIONS**

**Item 1B of the agenda: Election of a chairperson, one or more vice-chairpersons and a rapporteur of the Conference of Parties**

**Resolution 1.CP 1B**

*The Conference of Parties,*

1. *Elects Professor Kader Asmal, South Africa, Chairperson of the Conference of Parties,*
2. *Elects Nina Obuljen, Croatia, Rapporteur.*

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referred to as ‘the Committee’) receives a request to that effect from at least one third of the Parties.

#### **Rule 4 Provisional agenda**

The Provisional Agenda of an ordinary session of the Conference may include:

- a. Any question required by the Convention and the present Rules;
- b. Any question, the inclusion of which has been decided by the Conference at a previous session;
- c. Any question referred by the Committee;
- d. Any question proposed by Parties to the Convention;
- e. Any question proposed by the Director-General.

#### **Rule 5 Election of officers**

The Conference shall elect a Chairperson, one or more Vice-Chairpersons and a Rapporteur.

#### **Rule 6 Duties of the Chairperson**

6.1 In addition to exercising the powers, which are conferred upon him/her elsewhere by the present Rules, the Chairperson shall open and close each plenary meeting of the Conference. He/she shall direct the discussions, ensure observance of these Rules, accord the right to speak, put questions to the vote and announce decisions. He/she shall rule on points of order and, subject to the present Rules, shall control the proceedings and the maintenance of order. He/she shall not vote, but he/she may instruct another member of his/her delegation to vote on his/her behalf.

6.2 Should the Chairperson be absent

8.2 The Conference shall not decide on any matter unless a quorum is present.

**Rule 9 Order and time-limit of speakers**

9.1 The Chairperson shall call upon speakers in the order in which they signify their wish to speak.

9.2 For the convenience of the discussion, the Chairperson may limit the time to be allowed to each speaker.

9.3 The consent of the Chairperson must be obtained whenever an observer wishes to address the Conference.

**Rule 10 Points of order**

10.1 During a discussion, any representative of a Party may raise a point of order, which shall be immediately ruled on by the Chairperson.

10.2 An appeal may be made against the ruling of the Chairperson. Such an appeal shall be put to the vote immediately and the Chairperson's ruling shall stand, unless overruled by a majority of the Parties present 9C BDC BT01

- 12.3 Speakers may, however, speak in any other language, provided that they make their own arrangements for interpretation of their speeches into one of the working languages.

**Rule 13 Resolutions and amendments**

- 13.1 Draft resolutions and amendments may be proposed by the Parties referred to in Rule 1 and shall be transmitted in writing to the Secretariat of the Conference, which shall circulate copies to all participants.

- 13.2 As a general rule, no draft resolution shall be discussed or put to the vote unless it has been circulated reasonably in advance to all participants in the working languages of the Conference.

**Rule 14 Voting**

- 14.1 The representative of each Party referred to in Rule 1 shall have one vote in the Conference.

- 14.2 In accordance with Article 27.3(b) of the Convention, regional economic integration organizations, in matters within their competence, shall exercise their rights to vote with a number of votes equal to the number of their Member States that

moved, the Conference shall first vote on the amendment deemed by the Chairperson to be furthest removed in substance from the original proposal, and then on the amendment next furthest removed therefrom and so on, until all the amendments have been put to the vote.

- 14.9 If one or more amendments are adopted, the amended proposal shall then be voted upon as a whole.
- 14.10 A motion is considered an amendment to a proposal if it merely adds to, deletes from or revises part of that proposal.
- 14.11 If two or more proposals, other than amendments, relate to the same questions, they shall be voted on in the order in which they were submitted.

The Conference may, after each vote on a proposal, decide whether to vote on the next proposal.

to the principle of rotation. A Member cannot be elected to two consecutive mandates unless:

- (i) A regional group presents a 'clean slate';
- (ii) Following the first election, a State serves for only two years;
- (iii) The number of States Parties of an electoral group is less than the minimum number of seats foreseen in Rule 15.2.

#### **Rule 17 Procedures for the presentation of candidatures to the Committee**

17.1 The Secretariat shall ask all States Parties, at least three months prior to the opening of the Conference, whether they intend to stand for election to the Committee. If so, the State Party's candidature shall be sent to the Secretariat at least six weeks prior to the opening of the Conference.

17.2 At least four weeks prior to the opening of the Conference, the Secretariat shall send to all States Parties the provisional list of candidates, indicating the electoral group to which they belong and the number of seats to be filled in each electoral group.

#### **Rule 18 Election of Members of the Committee**

18.1 The election of Members of the Committee shall be conducted by secret ballot except that, where the number of candidates, according to geographical distribution, is the same as or less than the number of seats to be filled, the candidates shall be declared elected without the need to hold a ballot.

18.2 Before the election begins, the Chairperson shall appoint two tellers from among the delegates present; he/she shall hand to them the list of States candidates. He/she shall announce the number of seats to be filled.

18.3 The Secretariat shall prepare for each delegation an envelope without any distinguishing mark and separate ballot papers, one for each of the electoral groups. The ballot paper for each electoral group shall bear the names of all the States Parties that are candidates for election in that electoral group.

18.4 The representative of each Party shall cast his/her vote by circling the names of those States for which he/she desires to vote.

18.5 The tellers shall collect from each delegation their ballot papers and shall proceed to count the votes, under the supervision of the Chairperson.



- 18.6 The absence of any ballot paper in the envelope shall be considered an abstention.
- 18.7 Ballot papers on which more names have been circled than there are seats to be filled and those which bear no indication of the voter's intention shall be considered invalid.
- 18.8 The counting of the votes for each electoral group shall take place separately. The tellers shall open the envelopes, one by one, and shall sort the ballot papers into electoral groups. The votes cast for the candidate States Parties shall be entered on lists prepared for that purpose.
- 18.9 The Chairperson shall declare elected those candidates who obtain the greatest number of votes up to the number of seats to be filled. If two or more candidates obtain the same number of votes, and, as a result, there are still more candidates than seats to be filled, there shall be a second secret ballot restricted to those candidates who obtained the same number of votes. If in the second ballot two or more candidates obtain the same number of votes, the Chairperson shall draw lots to determine which candidate has won.
- 18.10 When the counting of the votes is completed, the Chairperson shall announce the results of the ballot separately for each of the electoral groups.

## **V. THE SECRETARIAT OF THE MEETING**

### **Rule 19 Secretariat**

- 19.1 The Director-General of UNESCO or his/her representative shall participate in the work of the Conference, without the right to vote. He/she may, at any time, make either oral or written statements to the Conference on any question under discussion.
- 19.2 The Director-General of UNESCO shall appoint an official of the Secretariat of UNESCO to act as Secretary to the Conference, and other officials who shall together constitute the Secretariat of the Conference.
- 19.3 The Secretariat shall receive, translate and distribute all official documents in the six working languages, at least 30 days before the opening of the session of the Conference. It shall arrange for the interpretation of the discussions and shall also perform all other duties necessary for the proper conduct of the work of the Conference.



**Item 5A of the agenda: Distribution among electoral groups of the seats of the**

<u>Group III:</u>	Brazil Guatemala Mexico Saint Lucia
<u>Group IV:</u>	China India
<u>Group V(a):</u>	Burkina Faso Mali Mauritius Senegal South Africa
<u>Group V(b):</u>	Oman Tunisia

**Item 5C of the agenda: Selection by lot of twelve States Members of the Intergovernmental Committee for the Protection and Promotion of the Diversity of Cultural Expressions, whose term of office will be limited to two years**

**Resolution 1 CP 5C**

*The Conference of Parties,*

1. *Having examined document CE/07/1.CP/CONF/209/5C,*
2. *Recalling Article 23.1 of the Convention and Rule 16 of the Rules of Procedure,*
3. *Decides to draw by lot the twelve States Members of the Intergovernmental Committee whose term of office will be limited to two years taking into account geographical distribution, which entails 4 members for Group I, 2 members for Group II, 2 members for Group III, 1 member for Group IV, 2 members for Group V (a) and 1 member for Group V(b).*

The following States were drawn by lot:

<u>Group I:</u>	Austria Canada Finland France
<u>Group II:</u>	Albania Slovenia

<u>Group III:</u>	Brazil Guatemala
<u>Group IV:</u>	China
<u>Group V(a):</u>	Burkina Faso Mali
<u>Group V(b):</u>	Tunisia

**Item 6 of the agenda: Date and venue of the first meeting of the Intergovernmental Committee for the Protection and Promotion of the Diversity of Cultural Expressions**

**Resolution 1.CP 6**

*The Conference of Parties,*

1. *Noting that the speed with which the Convention has been ratified is a sign of the importance attached by the international community to the protection and promotion of the diversity of cultural expressions,*
2. *Considering that it is important to implement the Convention as soon as possible in order to effectively protect and promote the diversity of cultural expressions,*
3. *Decides that, as a rule, the Intergovernmental Committee will meet at UNESCO Headquarters in Paris. Further decides that*

**Item 7 of the agenda: Functioning and administration of the International Fund for Cultural Diversity**

**Resolution 1.CP 7**

*The Conference of Parties,*

1. *Having examined document CE/07/1.CP/CONF/209/7,*
2. *Considering that it is important to implement the Convention at the national, regional and international levels as soon as possible in order to protect and promote the diversity of cultural expressions,*
3. *Recalling that the International Fund for Cultural Diversity constitutes a means by which the Parties shall endeavour to support cooperation for sustainable development in order to foster the emergence of a dynamic cultural sector, especially in relation to the specific needs of developing countries,*
4. *Decides that the International Fund for Cultural Diversity provided for in Article 18 of the Convention shall be managed as a special account in accordance with Article 6.6 of the Financial Regulations of UNESCO,*
- 4 bis. *Approves the Financial Regulations of the International Fund for Cultural Diversity,*
5. *Requests the Committee, in accordance with Article 23.6(f) of the Convention, to submit to it for approval at its second ordinary session draft guidelines on the use of the resources of the Fund in compliance with Article 18.4 by specifying its priorities and modalities,*
6. *Requests the Committee to take into account the debate that took place during the Conference of Parties.*