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Twenty-Third Session
Geneva, February 4 to 8, 2013

DRAFT DECISIONS OF THE TWENTY-THIRD SESSION OF THE COMMITTEE

Adopted by the Committee

DECISION ON AGENDA ITEM 2:

ADOPTION OF THE AGENDA

The Chair submitted the draft agenda circulated as WIPO/GRTKF/IC/23/1 Prov. 2 for adoption and it was adopted. The Committee noted that a further version of the agenda, WIPO/GRTKF/IC/23/1 PROV. 3, would be issued during the session to reflect new documents submitted by Member States.

DECISION ON AGENDA ITEM 3:

ADOPTION OF THE REPORTS OF THE TWENTY-FIRST AND TWENTY-SECOND SESSIONS

The Vice-Chair submitted the revised draft reports of the Twenty-First and Twenty-Second Sessions of the Committee (WIPO/GRTKF/IC/21/7 Prov. 2 and WIPO/GRTKF/IC/22/6 Prov. 2, respectively) for adoption and they were adopted.

DECISION ON AGENDA ITEM 4:

ACCREDITATION OF CERTAIN ORGANIZATIONS

The Committee unanimously approved accreditation of all the organizations listed in the Annex to document WIPO/GRTKF/IC/23/2 as *ad hoc* observers, namely: *Association Guinéo-Maghrébine pour la promotion économique et culturelle* (Guinean-Maghreb Association for Economic and Cultural Promotion); *Association Tayafout*; *Aube nouvelle pour la femme et le développement* (ANFD) (New Dawn for Women and Development) (NDWD); *Cameroun Terre Nouvelle* (Cameroon New Earth); *Consejo de Ayllus y Markas de Cochabamba* (Cochabamba Council of Ayllus and Markas) (COAMAC); *Corporación Red Nacional de Mujeres Comunes, Comunitarias, Indígenas y Campesinas de la República de Colombia* (REDCOMUINACOL); Kuru Family of Organisations (Custodian Unit); Moanoghar; *Organización de la Nación Aymara* (Aymara Nation Organization) (ONA); *Società Italiana per la Museografia e i Beni Demoetnoantropologici* (SIMBDEA); The London School of Economics and Political Science, Department of Law (LSE); The National Association for Consumer Protection and Promotion of Programs and Strategies from Romania (ANPCPPS).

DECISION ON AGENDA ITEM 5:

PARTICIPATION OF INDIGENOUS AND LOCAL COMMUNITIES

The Committee took note of documents WIPO/GRTKF/IC/23/3, WIPO/GRTKF/IC/23/INF/4 and WIPO/GRTKF/IC/23/INF/5.

The Committee strongly encouraged and called upon members of the Committee and all interested public or private entities to contribute to the WIPO Voluntary Fund for Accredited Indigenous and Local Communities.

The Chair proposed, and the Committee elected by acclamation, the following eight members of the Advisory Board to serve in an individual capacity: Mr. Mohamed Ag Abba, Representative, ADJMOR, Tombouctou, Mali; Mr. Nelson De León Kantule, Representative, Association of *Kunas* United for Mother Earth (KUNA) (*Asociación Kunas unidos por Napguana*), Panama; Mrs. Natasha Gooneratne, Second Secretary, Permanent Mission of Sri Lanka, Geneva; Ms. Sophia Knight, Executive Officer, International Intellectual Property Section, Office of Trade Negotiations, Department of Foreign Affairs and Trade, Canberra, Australia; Mr. Mandixole Matroos, Second Secretary, Permanent Mission of the Republic of South Africa, Geneva; Ms. Natalia Buzova, Deputy Head, Legal Division, Federal Institute of Industrial Property,

Federal Service for Intellectual Property (ROSPATENT), Moscow, Russian Federation;
Mr. Justin Sobion, First Secretary, Permanent Mission of Trinidad and Tobago, Geneva;
Mr. Jim Walker, Representative, Foundation for Aboriginal and Islander Research Action
(FAIRA), Brisbane, Australia. The Chair of the Committee nominated Ms. Alexandra Grazioli,
Vice-Chair of the Committee, to serve as Chair of the Advisory Board.

DECISION ON AGENDA ITEM 6:

GENETIC RESOURCES

DECISION ON AGENDA ITEM 8:

CLOSING OF THE SESSION

The Committee adopted its decisions on agenda items 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, and 8 on February 8, 2013. It agreed that a draft written report, containing the agreed text of these decisions and all interventions made to the Committee, would be prepared and circulated before March 28, 2013. Committee participants would be invited to submit written corrections to their interventions as included in the draft report before a final version of the draft report would then be circulated to Committee participants for adoption at the Twenty-Fifth Session of the Committee.

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