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

Decision required: paragraph 3

1. Article 23.2 stipulates that the Intergovernmental Committee for the Protection and Promotion of the Diversity of Cultural Expressions shall meet annually. However, the venue of the meetings is not specified in the Convention.

2. Given that the preparation of the operational guidelines, provided for in subparagraph (c) of Article 22.4 of the Convention, would facilitate the Convention's implementation, the Conference of Parties may wish to request the Committee to begin preparing that document, in accordance with subparagraph (b) of Article 23.6 of the Convention, and to submit it to the Conference of Parties for examination and approval at its second ordinary session.

3. The Conference may wish to adopt the following resolution.
DRAFT 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 to convene the first meeting of the Intergovernmental Committee for the Protection and Promotion of the Diversity of Cultural Expressions at (…) on (…);

4. Requests the Committee to begin preparing the operational guidelines referred to in subparagraph (c) of Article 22.4 and subparagraph (b) of Article 23.6 of the Convention, and to submit to it at its second ordinary session a preliminary draft for consideration and approval.