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**INTERGOVERNMENTAL COMMITTEE
FOR THE PROTECTION AND PROMOTION OF THE DIVERSITY
OF CULTURAL EXPRESSIONS**

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Item 14 of the provisional agenda: Date of the next session of the Committee

Decision required: paragraph 5

1. Article 23.2 of the Convention stipulates that the Intergovernmental Committee for the Protection and Promotion of the Diversity of Cultural Expressions (hereinafter referred to as “the Committee”) shall meet annually.
2. In addition, it is recalled that the Conference of Parties decided at its first session that, as a general rule, the Committee will meet at UNESCO Headquarters in Paris (Resolution 1.CP 6, paragraph 3).
3. In the context of determining the date of its eighth session, the Committee must also consider the results of the audit of the working methods of cultural conventions realized by the Internal Oversight Service (IOS) which report was published in September 2013 (IOS/AUD/2013/06). The results of this audit were presented to the Executive Board at its 192nd session (Document 192 EX/5 Part II). The Council noted “the importance of improving the quality of causal analysis and evidence of impact brought about by UNESCO’s standard setting and normative work” and invited “the Director-General to implement the recommendations, except those recommendations that require a decision by the Executive Board and/or General Conference, in which case the relevant issue shall be submitted to the Executive Board for its consideration” (192 EX/Decision 5 Part II).
4. In the Recommendation 1 appears an invitation to the Secretariat to “formulate proposals to the Governing Bodies of UNESCO and/or of the Convention(s) to “c) reduce the frequency, when feasible, duration and agenda of the meetings of State Parties (...) and synchronize the meetings of the State Parties to the conventions, when efficiencies can be achieved” (p.5). The Committee should consider this recommendation to determine the date of the eighth session of the Committee.
5. The Committee may wish to adopt the following decision:

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The Committee,

Decides to convene its eighth ordinary session at UNESCO Headquarters in Paris from XX to XX.