



Memory of the World

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**FINAL REPORT OF THE INTERNATIONAL ADVISORY COMMITTEE (IAC) ON
THE REVIEW PROCESS OF THE MEMORY OF THE WORLD PROGRAMME**

DRAFT AMENDMENT



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Item 15: FINAL REPORT OF THE INTERNATIONAL ADVISORY COMMITTEE (IAC) ON THE REVIEW PROCESS OF THE MEMORY OF THE WORLD PROGRAMME

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Submitted by: The Chairperson of the Executive Board

The proposed amendments to the draft decision contained in document 202 EX/15 are indicated as follows: insertions in bold and words to be deleted in strikethrough.

The Executive Board,

1. Having examined document 202 EX/15,
2. Expresses its appreciation to the **International Advisory Committee** (IAC) for the substantial work on the review of the **Memory of the World** (MoOW) Programme;
3. Reaffirming the goal of the MoOW Programme as expressed by the General Conference in 2015 in the *Recommendation on the preservation of, and access to, documentary heritage including in digital form*, which underlines “the importance of documentary heritage to promote the sharing of knowledge for greater understanding and dialogue, in order to promote peace and respect for freedom, democracy, human rights and dignity”, **and considers “at the same time that the preservation of, and long-term accessibility to documentary heritage underpins fundamental freedoms of opinion, expression, and information as human rights”**;
4. Approves **Notes with appreciation** the IAC Final Report (Annex I) and ~~the recommended revisions to the Statutes of the MOW Programme (Annex II)~~; invites the IAC to continue, in consultation with Member States, the review of the MoW Programme;
5. Further takes note with appreciation of the recommended revisions to the Statutes of the IAC and will discuss this further at the 204th session of the Executive Board;
6. Requests the Director-General to ~~report periodically on the implementation of the MOW Programme. to engage, in cooperation with Member States, and building on the work produced by the IAC Working Groups, in a comprehensive review of the MoW Programme in the broader context of the above mentioned 2015 Recommendation, and present an action plan for this review to the 204th session of the Executive Board;~~



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7. **Requests** the Director-General to proceed with the 2016–2017 nomination cycle in accordance with the existing rules of the Programme and in line with the main objectives of the Programme, as set out in paragraph 3 above;
8. **Calls upon** the Director-General, the members of the IAC, and all stakeholders of the MoW Programme to abide by the principles of dialogue, mutual understanding and respect and to avoid further political tensions concerning the MoW Programme.