Havana, February 25, 2009

Ms. Cécille Duvelle  
Secretary  
Convention for the Safeguarding of Intangible Cultural Heritage  

Dear Ms. Duvelle:

I am pleased to respond to requests for comment to Decision 3.COM 9. on “ways and methods to facilitate the contribution of NGOs in developing countries for the assistance as advisory body to the Committee”:

"Developing countries States Parties to the Convention for the Safeguarding of the Intangible Cultural Heritage, should select those national cultural profile NGOs with teams of experts in the forms of manifestation of the intangible cultural heritage and link the work of cultural institutions serve to safeguard this heritage, and also have the responsibility to implement the Convention in each State Party, in the case of Cuba, we have the Committee on Safeguarding of the Intangible Cultural Heritage, established by Resolution 126 of December 15 of 2004 endorsed by the Minister of Culture, which focuses the activity at the national levels in consultation with provincial and community level, with participants from NGOs in its membership”.

Receive, in advance, our appreciation for all your guidance to assist in the implementation of the Convention's work of 2003.

Cordially

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