**CONVENTION FOR THE SAFEGUARDING OF THE  
INTANGIBLE CULTURAL HERITAGE**

**INTERGOVERNMENTAL COMMITTEE FOR THE  
SAFEGUARDING OF THE INTANGIBLE CULTURAL HERITAGE**

**Eighteenth session**

**Kasane, Republic of Botswana**

**4 to 9 December 2023**

**Item 19 of the provisional agenda:**

**Election of the members of the Bureau of the nineteenth session of the Committee**

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| **Decision required:** paragraph 5 |

1. In accordance with its Rules of Procedure (Rules 12.1, 13.1 and 13.4), the Committee, at the end of each ordinary session, shall elect its Bureau, from among those Committee Members whose term continues through the next ordinary session. The Bureau of the Committee consists of a Chairperson, one or more Vice-Chairpersons and a Rapporteur who shall remain in office until the end of the next ordinary session. In electing the Bureau, the Committee shall have due regard to the need to ensure equitable geographical representation and, in as much as possible, a balance among the various fields of intangible cultural heritage.
2. The Bureau shall coordinate the work of the Committee and fix the dates, times and order of business of meetings or modify the date and/or place of the next session of the Committee, in consultation with the Director-General. It shall also exercise the tasks foreseen in the Operational Directives and any other tasks assigned by the Committee through its own decisions. The other members of the Bureau shall assist the Chairperson in carrying out his/her duties (Rules 4.1 and 12.2).
3. Furthermore, the Chairperson, Vice-Chairpersons and Rapporteur shall be eligible for immediate re-election for a second term of office, provided that the country that each represents continues to be a State Member of the Committee at least until the end of the new term of office (Rule 13.3).
4. Accordingly, the Committee is requested to elect the Bureau of the nineteenth session of the Committee.
5. The Committee may wish to adopt the following decision:

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The Committee,

1. Having examined document LHE/23/18.COM/19,
2. Recalling Rules 4, 12 and 13 of its Rules of Procedure,
3. Elects \* \* \* (Name/State Member) as Chairperson of the nineteenth session of the Committee;
4. Elects \* \* \* (State Member), \* \* \* (State Member), \* \* \* (State Member), \* \* \* (State Member) and \* \* \* (State Member) as Vice-Chairpersons of the nineteenth session of the Committee;
5. Elects \* \* \* (Name/State Member) as Rapporteur of the nineteenth session of the Committee.