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Dear Ms Akoryo,

I write to you with reference to your submission of a preparatory assistance request for support for the elaboration of a nomination for possible inscription on the List of Intangible Cultural Heritage in Need of Urgent Safeguarding, under the title 'The Madi bow lyre music, O'di' (Reference 00890). Please accept our apologies for not coming back to you earlier with our comments; your request was unfortunately misplaced and it is only now that we have relocated it when doing a systematic review of our files.

Having completed a technical evaluation, I must inform you that there are several issues to be resolved before the request can be presented to the Bureau.

Sections 8.b and 8.c should refer to any on-going contract between UNESCO and the implementing agency – Art for Peace and Community Development in Africa – and not to the Ministry of Gender, Labour and Social Development. However, in section 13 you should indicate that Uganda previously received preparatory assistance similar to this for the preparation of another nomination ('The male-child cleansing ceremony of the Lango people') and you should provide the details of that assistance as requested in that section.

Concerning section 12, there are calculation errors in several places. For Month 1, Activity 1, it is not clear whether the cost of communication is US\$50 or US\$100; for Activity 2, 40 people × 2 districts × 2 trips × US\$10 is US\$1,600 and not US\$800. For Month 2, Activity 1, Transport 2 people × 2 districts × US\$100 is US\$400 and not US\$200. In the contribution by the State Party, item 3, Transport for field work US\$20 × 7 is US\$140 and not US\$40. Please be certain that all expenses are systematically verified and there are no calculation errors.

With regard to the State Party contribution, the role and responsibilities of Government employees are not described anywhere in sections 9, 10 or 11 and it is therefore difficult at present to justify their time and services as a contribution of the State Party. I also note that it appears that the services of the implementing agency, Art for Peace and Community Development in Africa, are neither

compensated nor reflected as an in-kind contribution. When revising the request, please be certain to specify clearly the relative responsibilities of Ministry personnel and those of APECODA. The narrative describing the State Party contribution refers to several expenses such as office space and postage that are not reflected in the budget; conversely, the amount shown for vehicle maintenance seems exaggerated and that shown for refreshments in three internal staff meetings, although relatively small, might be hard to justify as essential.

I encourage you to send us as soon as possible the revised version of your request in electronic form, incorporating the additional information requested above, so that the Secretariat can determine whether your request is complete. We will substitute it in place of your original request.

Please send the document, in standard .rtf or .doc format, to the e-mail address: ICH-assistance@unesco.org, as explained in the instructions for form ICH-05-2012. Although you have previously sent an electronic copy, it is in .pdf format and cannot be accepted. Unless I receive your revised nomination in standard .rtf or .doc format, your dossier will not be complete and cannot be transmitted to the Bureau.

Please note that in the event the Bureau approves the request and makes funds available, the resulting nomination will need to be submitted in March 2014 (for possible examination in 2015) or in March 2015 (for possible examination in 2016). In that respect, I remind you that Uganda currently has one file from a previous cycle that remains in the backlog, 'Koogere oral tradition of the Basongora, Banyabindi and Batooro people of Western Uganda'; see information at: <http://www.unesco.org/culture/ich/index.php?pg=00554>. Based upon current and recent experience, it is unlikely that the Committee will be able to examine more than one file per submitting State in each cycle. At the time of submission in March 2014 and/or March 2015, Uganda will need to indicate its order of priority among all pending files. You may wish to take this into account in your planning.

Thank you for your continued interest in the Convention for the Safeguarding of the Intangible Cultural Heritage.

Yours sincerely,



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