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DECISIONS ADOPTED
BY THE EXECUTIVE BOARD AT ITS 177th SESSION

* Including the meetings of the subsidiary bodies before the plenary meetings.
Report by the Director-General on the implementation of the Participation Programme and emergency assistance (177 EX/56; 177 EX/78)

The Executive Board,

1. Recalling 10 C/Resolution 7.31 and 12 C/Resolution 7.B.21, adopted by the General Conference, which set up the basic principles of the Participation Programme, together with the criteria, eligibility conditions and relevant procedure for its implementation,

2. Also recalling 33 C/Resolution 60,

3. Acknowledging that the Participation Programme is a vital complement to UNESCO’s regular activities by analysing, evaluating and facilitating the implementation of national, subregional, regional and interregional projects directly related to the activities of the Organization,
4. **Further acknowledging** that the Participation Programme enhances UNESCO’s visibility but also has a real impact in Member States, particularly in least developed countries (LDCs), developing countries, post-conflict and post-disaster countries, small island developing States (SIDS), and countries in transition,

5. **Takes note** of the information provided in document 177 EX/56;

6. **Requests** the Director-General to continue his efforts to draw the attention of Member States, in particular their National Commissions, to the importance of complying fully with the rules and regulations governing the Participation Programme;

7. **Recommends** that the General Conference invite the Director-General to identify ways and means of strengthening the Participation Programme in the forthcoming biennium for the benefit of the countries specifically mentioned in paragraph 4 of this decision.

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