

# Report by the Indigenous People (Bethechilokono) of Saint Lucia Governing Council (BGC) on the Tenth Session of the

World Intellectual Property Organization Intergovernmental Committee on Intellectual Property and Genetic Resources, Traditional Knowledge and Folklore

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Report on the Informal Interactive Dialogue between Representatives of Indigenous and Local Communities and the President of the Tenth Session; 08<sup>th</sup> December 2006.

At the request of the Representative of the Indigenous People (**Bethechilokono**) of Saint Lucia Governing Council (**BGC**), an Informal Interactive Dialogue took place on Friday 08<sup>th</sup> December 2006 between the President of the Tenth Session of World Intellectual Property Organization Intergovernmental Committee on Intellectual Property and Genetic Resources, Traditional Knowledge and Folklore and Observers/Representatives of Indigenous and Local Communities.

In attendance were two Members of the Bureau; one Member of the New Zealand State Delegation and a Representative an Intergovernmental Organization and 14 Observers/Representatives of Indigenous and Local Communities. See Section B.3 for List of Participants.

The Informal Interactive Dialogue which started at 10:30H and concluded at 12:00H provided a platform for discussions on the following substantive issues:

- (1) Collaborative activities between:
  - (a) Representatives of Indigenous and Local Communities and States;
  - (b) Representatives of Indigenous and Local Communities and non-State users of Intellectual Property and Genetic Resources, Traditional Knowledge and Folklore; and
  - (c) Representatives of Indigenous Peoples and Local Communities.
- (2) Capacity-Building for Representatives of Indigenous and Local Communities, prior to or during the Sessions of the WIPO Intergovernmental Committee on Intellectual Property and Genetic Resources, Traditional Knowledge and Folklore.
- (3) Special attention should be given to the participation of Indigenous and Local Communities from Small Island Developing States (SIDS).

- (4) Establishment of WIPO Intergovernmental Committee on Intellectual Property and Genetic Resources, Traditional Knowledge and Folklore Regional Focal Points for Indigenous and Local Communities.
- (5) The Future work of the WIPO Intergovernmental Committee on Intellectual Property and Genetic Resources, Traditional Knowledge and Folklore:
  - (a) The staging of a joint Indigenous and Local Communities, States and Users Exposition on Intellectual Property and Genetic Resources, Traditional Knowledge and Folklore during the Eleventh Session; and
  - (b) The holding of side events by Indigenous and Local Communities.
- (6) Executing a compilation of the contributions of Indigenous and Local Communities at session of the WIPO Intergovernmental Committee on Intellectual Property and Genetic Resources, Traditional Knowledge and Folklore.
- (7) Establishment of the "Friends of the Chair" to include representatives of Indigenous and Local Communities to encourage regular dialogue with the President of the Session and Members of the Bureau during the conduct of the Session.
- (8) Establishment of a Mailing List of Observers/Representatives of Indigenous and Local Communities.
- (9) WIPO Intergovernmental Committee on Intellectual Property and Genetic Resources, Traditional Knowledge and Folklore differentiate between Indigenous Peoples and other non-Indigenous Peoples' actors.
- (10) Coordination of the activities of Indigenous and Local Communities inbetween Sessions of the WIPO Intergovernmental Committee on Intellectual Property and Genetic Resources, Traditional Knowledge and Folklore.

Having regard to the substantive issues discussed at the Informal Interactive Dialogue, the Indigenous People (**Bethechilokono**) of Saint Lucia Governing Council (**BGC**) recommends to the WIPO Intergovernmental Committee on Intellectual Property and Genetic Resources, Traditional Knowledge and Folklore:

- 1. That since Indigenous and Local Communities are the holders and owners of their Intellectual Property and Genetic Resources, Traditional Knowledge and Folklore, and in an effort to build trust between States and Indigenous and Local Communities, seating arrangements may be structured and clearly demarcated as customary as at other United Nations fora, to encourage effective visual contact between States and the holders and owners.
- 2. Intellectual Property and Genetic Resources, Traditional Knowledge and Folklore are complex issues to Indigenous Peoples and Local Communities. So as not to be disadvantaged by non-Indigenous Peoples' and Local Communities' actors, WIPO Intergovernmental Committee on Intellectual Property and Genetic Resources, Traditional Knowledge and Folklore is encouraged to initiate Regional Capacity-Building Programmes for Indigenous and Local Communities with the

full and effective participation of Indigenous and Local Communities' Experts and Regional Focal Points and supported by the United Nations Inter-Agencies on Indigenous Issues and paying attention to the special needs of Small Island Developing States (SIDS)...

- 3. The Sessions of the WIPO Intergovernmental Committee on Intellectual Property and Genetic Resources, Traditional Knowledge and Folklore could be more focused by allowing for inter-mediatory action by the "Friends of the Chair" to find common ground and agreement when the multiplicity of views and positions held by States and non-State actors stalemate the Sessions.
- 4. For the effective functioning of the WIPO Intergovernmental Committee on Intellectual Property and Genetic Resources, Traditional Knowledge and Folklore during the interim period between Sessions, Regional Focal Points for Indigenous and Local Communities, inclusive of a Focal Point for the Small Island Developing States (SIDS) located at the Secretariat of the Small Island Developing Sates 2005 Mauritius Initiative, are encouraged to maintain contact between the WIPO Intergovernmental Committee on Intellectual Property and Genetic Resources and Indigenous and Local Communities through a Coordinating Observer/Focal Point. Electronic contact is most advisable through a Mailing List, as compiled at the Informal Interactive Dialogue on 08<sup>th</sup> December 2006...
- 5. The WIPO Intergovernmental Committee on Intellectual Property and Genetic Resources, Traditional Knowledge and Folklore in collaboration with the Coordinating Observer/Focal Points execute an audit for publication of contributions of Indigenous and Local Communities during sessions of the WIPO Intergovernmental Committee on Intellectual Property and Genetic Resources, Traditional Knowledge and Folklore. Such a publication could be used as working documents for the conduct of Capacity-Building for Indigenous and Local Communities.
- 5:1 Despite the visibility of Indigenous and Local Communities at Sessions of the WIPO Intergovernmental Committee on Intellectual Property and Genetic Resources, Traditional Knowledge and Folklore in recent years, these entities have remained relative weak and incapable of providing adequate input, depending on International NGOs to make interventions on their behalf. The Capacity-Building is intended to address this issue and to provide structures and to undertake measures to ensure their visibility and concerns; more specifically, the strengthening of national and regional Indigenous and Local Communities and the enhancement of representation.
- 6. The involvement of Indigenous and Local Communities in the planning of Side Events for future Sessions of the WIPO Intergovernmental Committee on

- Intellectual Property and Genetic Resources, Traditional Knowledge and Folklore is of import to Indigenous and Local Communities' Representatives/Observers as an effective means of offering substantive inputs to the debates.
- 6:1 The proposal for the staging of a joint Indigenous and Local Communities, States and Users Exposition and other Side Events on Intellectual Property and Genetic Resources, Traditional Knowledge and Folklore during the Eleventh Session, being supported by the Indigenous People (Bethechilokono) of Saint Lucia Governing Council (BGC), allows for the strengthening of Indigenous and Local Communities' Representatives capacity to make more pronounced and lasting contributions to the Work of the WIPO Intergovernmental Committee on Intellectual Property and Genetic Resources, Traditional Knowledge and Folklore. It is being proposed that Synthesis Workshops directed on synthesizing the discussions outputs taking place at the WIPO Intergovernmental Committee on Intellectual Property and Genetic Resources, Traditional Knowledge and Folklore into a more understandable format. The output of such a synthesis exercise is the design of an appropriate framework for full and effective participation by Indigenous and Local Communities at Sessions of the WIPO Intergovernmental Committee on Intellectual Property and Genetic Resources, Traditional Knowledge and Folklore.
- 6:2 The Secretariat of the Indigenous People (**Bethechilokono**) of Saint Lucia Governing Council (**BGC**) and the Small Island Developing States 2005 Mauritius Initiative shall undertake the coordination (Focal Point) of preparations and mounting of the said Exposition and Side Events in collaboration with the WIPO Intergovernmental Committee on Intellectual Property and Genetic Resources, Traditional Knowledge and Folklore, and maintain contact with Indigenous and Local Communities' Representatives/Observers and other Stakeholders.
- 6:3 The staging of the said joint Indigenous and Local Communities, States and Users Exposition and other Side Events on Intellectual Property and Genetic Resources, Traditional Knowledge and Folklore during the Eleventh Session of the WIPO Intergovernmental Committee on Intellectual Property and Genetic Resources, Traditional Knowledge and Folklore, would require funding for the items shown in the Preliminary Budget in Section B.2. Materials for display shall be contributed by Indigenous and Local Communities, and other Observers, United Nations Agencies and States.

#### **B.2**

Exposition and on Intellectual Property and Genetic Resources, Traditional Knowledge and Folklore during the Eleventh Session of the WIPO Intergovernmental Committee on Intellectual Property and Genetic Resources, Traditional Knowledge and Folklore.

Geneva, Switzerland; 04th to 12th July 2007

Location: WIPO Headquarters

Geneva

Date: 04-12 July 2007

Layout: Exhibitions

Video Presentations Panel Discussions Working Sessions

Coordination: Secretariat of the Indigenous People (Bethechilokono) of Saint Lucia

Governing Council (**BGC**). Assisted by the Small Island Developing States 2005 Mauritius Initiative (**SIDS 2005 Mauritius Initiative**).

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**Budget:**In US Currency as of January 2007

Expenditure Category	Number	Unit Cost	Total Budget	Requested Contribution	Organization's Contribution In-kind	Organization's Contribution Monetary
A) Preparatory Activity						•
Communication and proposal				75%	25%	
Sub-Total						
B) Administration Cost						
Overseas travel Ticket for Volunteers from the Coordinating Organizations	3 persons			3 Tickets Saint Lucia to Geneva		
Supervision of Exhibitions and other Side Events Final Report on	3x 13days			stipend		
Activities						
Sub-Total						
C) Operation of Exhibition						
Materials for mounting displays					From Participating Organizations and States	
Other supplies				100%		
Sub-Total						
D) Execution of Capacity-Building Working Sessions						
Space and writing materials				100%		
Refreshments				100%		
Sub-Total						
TOTAL						

#### **B.3**

List of Participants at the Informal Interactive Dialogue during the Eleventh Session of the WIPO Intergovernmental Committee on Intellectual Property and Genetic Resources, Traditional Knowledge and Folklore.

### Geneva, Switzerland; 08th December 2006

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