



Executive Board

Hundred and ninetieth session

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190 EX/Decisions

PARIS, 18 November 2012

DECISIONS ADOPTED BY THE EXECUTIVE BOARD AT ITS 190th SESSION

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PROGRAMME MATTERS

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13 Jerusalem and the implementation of 36 C/Resolution 43 and 189 EX/Decision 8 (190 EX/13; 190 EX/54 Part II Rev.)

The Executive Board decided, upon the recommendation² of the Programme and External Relations Commission, that the debate on this item be adjourned to its 191st session, and that the draft decision contained in document 190 EX/PX/DR.6 be annexed to the present decision.

² After a roll-call vote of 28 votes in favour, 23 votes against and 4 abstentions,

the following States having voted for the adjournment of the debate: Austria, Belarus, Belgium, Brazil, China, Czech Republic, Denmark, Grenada, Haiti, Italy, Japan, Kazakhstan, Kenya, Malawi, Mexico, Monaco, Montenegro, Republic of Korea, Russian Federation, Saint Lucia, Slovakia, Spain, Syrian Arab Republic, The former Yugoslav Republic of Macedonia, United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland, United States of America, Uzbekistan and Venezuela (Bolivarian Republic of).

the following States having voted against: Afghanistan, Algeria, Bangladesh, Burkina Faso, Congo, Cuba, Djibouti, Egypt, Ecuador, France, Gambia, Ghana, India, Indonesia, Mali, Namibia, Nigeria, Pakistan, Peru, Saudi Arabia, Tunisia, United Arab Emirates and Zimbabwe.

Abstentions: Angola, Gabon, Thailand and Viet Nam.

Absent: Barbados, Ethiopia and Papua New Guinea. After a roll-call vote of 28 votes in favour, 23 votes against and 4 abstentions,

the following States having voted for the adjournment of the debate: Austria, Belarus, Belgium, Brazil, China, Czech Republic, Denmark, Grenada, Haiti, Italy, Japan, Kazakhstan, Kenya, Malawi, Mexico, Monaco, Montenegro, Republic of Korea, Russian Federation, Saint Lucia, Slovakia, Spain, Syrian Arab Republic, The former Yugoslav Republic of Macedonia, United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland, United States of America, Uzbekistan and Venezuela (Bolivarian Republic of).

the following States having voted against: Afghanistan, Algeria, Bangladesh, Burkina Faso, Congo, Cuba, Djibouti, Egypt, Ecuador, France, Gambia, Ghana, India, Indonesia, Mali, Namibia, Nigeria, Pakistan, Peru, Saudi Arabia, Tunisia, United Arab Emirates and Zimbabwe.

Abstentions: Angola, Gabon, Thailand and Viet Nam.

Absent: Barbados, Ethiopia and Papua New Guinea.

ANNEX

PROGRAMME AND EXTERNAL RELATIONS COMMISSION (PX)

Item 13 Jerusalem and the implementation of 36 C/Resolution 43 and 189 EX/Decision 8

DRAFT DECISION

Submitted by: Algeria, Egypt, Saudi Arabia, Tunisia and United Arab Emirates

The Executive Board,

1. Having examined document 190 EX/13,
2. Recalling resolutions and decisions of UNESCO on Jerusalem, as well as the provisions of the four Geneva Conventions (1949) and their additional Protocols, the Hague Convention for the Protection of Cultural Property in the Event of Armed Conflict (1954) and its additional Protocols and the Convention for the Protection of the World Cultural and Natural Heritage (1972),
3. Affirming that nothing in the present decision, which is aimed at the safeguarding of the Cultural Heritage of East Jerusalem, shall in any way affect the relevant United Nations resolutions and decisions, in particular the relevant Security Council resolutions on the legal status of Jerusalem,
4. Deplores the ongoing Israeli practices and the Israeli settlers incursions in East Jerusalem, that dangerously and irreversibly affect the city's distinctive character, both religious and cultural, historical and demographical, and urges the Israeli Authorities to take the necessary measures to prevent these abuses;
5. Affirms in this regards that the integrity and authenticity of East Jerusalem must be protected;
6. Notes with deep concern the absence of progress in the implementation of its previous 185 EX/Decision 14 concerning this item, and reiterates its request to the Director-General to appoint, as soon as possible, a permanent and eminent expert(s) to be stationed in East Jerusalem to report on a regular basis about all the aspects covering the architectural, educational, cultural and demographical situation in the City of East Jerusalem;
7. Reaffirms the requirement to promptly and fully implement the above-referenced decision and resolution, and urges the Israeli authorities to facilitate its implementation in conformity with its adherence to UNESCO decisions and conventions;
8. Asks the Director-General to maintain her efforts to implement the above mentioned decision and resolution;
9. Decides to include this item on the agenda of the 191st session of the Executive Board and invites the Director-General to submit to it a progress thereon.
