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IFAG Core Membership - 15 Member States

**Argentina, Australia, Belgium, Canada, Congo, Egypt,
Germany, Japan, Kuwait, Madagascar, Norway, Portugal,
Russian Federation, United Kingdom and United States of
America**

- **First Communication from Chair will be sent after the
IOC Officers' meeting**

Our mandate:

➤ Revised Rules of Procedure & Guidelines for online meetings

- ✓ Revised version ready, based on Member States comments at the EC: fix only what needs to be fixed
- ✓ Both revised RoPs and draft Guidelines to be shared with IFAG after the Officers' meeting
- ✓ LA review in parallel

? to Officers re Consultation by Correspondence:

Current Rule 23: Following the instructions of the Executive Council or the Assembly, the Chairperson or the Executive Secretary may consult Member States of the Commission by correspondence on substantial matters prior to taking action and may establish a reasonable time limit for replies.

Proposed additional Rules, based on UNESCO model:

Should the approval of the Assembly or the Executive Council be required for matters of exceptional urgency while the Assembly or the Executive Council are not in session, the Chairperson, in consultation with the Officers of the Commission, may, if he or she judges proper, consult the Member States of the governing body concerned by correspondence. The proposals shall be accepted if they are approved by two-third of the Member States.

Member States having not replied to the consultation by one month after its launch shall be presumed to have approved the proposed measures.

Our mandate:

➤ Reporting on In-Kind Contributions (IKC)

- ✓ A more systematic approach through CL did not yield higher response
- ✓ Member States overall interest seems quite limited
- ✓ Next step will be to share the report and ask for feedback/possible updates to methodology

Potential ??:

- Compliance with methodology defined at EC: IKC=something IOC would have paid for through its own budget
- \$ minimum threshold for reporting

Our mandate:

➤ Update on UNESCO 42 C/5 programming & budgeting process

- ✓ Currently two scenarios are being prepared for the UNESCO Executive Board in May 2023: ZNG and base case
- ✓ IOC: 0.2M cut in ZNG and 1.8M increase in base case
- ✓ Secretariat is working on proposals based on the 'Optimal IOC' document & the IOS Evaluation of Strategic Positioning

Draft 42 C/5 Programme sectors budgets												
	41 C/5 approved			Draft 42 C/5*								
	RP			Base Case Scenario Regular Budget				ZNG Scenario Regular Budget			Non staff vs 41 C/5	
	Non-Staff	Staff*	Total	Non-Staff	Staff	Reinforcement	Total	Non-Staff	Staff	Total	\$	%
ED	24,914	61,321	86,235	25,016	65,110	667	90,793	21,731	65,110	86,841	-3,183	-13%
SC	8,145	32,272	40,417	8,179	33,670	333	42,182	7,105	33,670	40,775	-1,040	-13%
IOC	1,835	9,494	11,329	1,842	10,071	1,833	13,746	1,600	10,071	11,671	-235	-13%
SHS	5,747	21,690	27,437	5,770	23,098	333	29,201	5,012	23,098	28,110	-735	-13%
CLT	10,135	38,565	48,700	10,176	40,452		50,628	8,840	40,452	49,292	-1,295	-13%
CI	5,013	20,507	25,520	5,034	21,706	333	27,073	4,372	21,708	26,080	-641	-13%
UIS	8,450	0	8,450	8,484	0	2,000	10,484	7,370	0	7,370	-1,080	-13%
total	64,239	183,849	248,088	64,501	194,107	5,499	264,107	56,030	194,109	250,139		

*indicative - staff figures include approved staffing 41 C/5 recosted at 42 C/5 standard costs