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To: National Commissions and Permanent Delegations of
all States Parties to the World Heritage Convention submitting
nominations for review by the World Heritage Committee in 2003

cc: Chairperson, World Heritage Committee
ICOMOS and IUCN

Subject: Submission of additional information for nominations to be presented to
the World Heritage Committee at its 27th session (Suzhou, China, 2003)

Dear Madam/Sir,

This letter is addressed to those States Parties wishing to submit additional technical information for nominations to be presented to the World Heritage Committee at its 27th session (Suzhou, China, 2003).

In 2003, nominations will be submitted directly to the 27th session of the World Heritage Committee, and not to the Bureau.

Because of this and other changes to the calendar of World Heritage meetings and pending further revision of the *Operational Guidelines*, no deadline has been established for the submission of this additional information by States Parties. However, to ensure that ICOMOS and/or IUCN have sufficient time to prepare their recommendations to the Committee, States Parties are requested to provide the additional information at the earliest opportunity taking into account that IUCN will be formulating its final recommendation to the Committee in the first week of December 2002 and ICOMOS in March 2003.

At the request of IUCN and ICOMOS, additional information should ideally be received by the World Heritage Centre by 15 October in the case of natural and mixed nominations, or by 30 December in the case of cultural nominations.

This additional information may concern boundary alterations, details of management arrangements, or other additional information not requiring a change to the nomination text itself. Please note that this information should be submitted to the World Heritage Centre in the required number of copies (2 copies for cultural nominations; 4 copies for natural, mixed or cultural landscape nominations).

If you have any queries relating to this matter, please do not hesitate to contact me.

Please be assured Madam/Sir, of the assurances of my highest consideration.

Yours sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'F. Bandarin', with a stylized initial 'F' and a long, sweeping underline.

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