

## RECOMMENDATIONS TO THE EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE.

The conference held at Caceres, from the 15th to the 19th March 1967, at the instigation of the International Council of Monuments and Sites and at the invitation of the Spanish National Committee, attended by representatives from most parts of the world;

having heard the reports presented and the observations or suggestions made upon them ;

taking into account the studies and work undertaken on this subject by national or international organizations such as Unesco, the Council of Europe, the F.I.H.U.A.T., etc. ;

wishes to thank and to congratulate the Executive Committee for having taken the initiative for this first meeting, during which the fundamental objectives have been defined which should guide the activity of the International Council of Monuments and Sites in the important field of the protection and revivification of ensembles of historic or artistic interest ;

recommends to the executive Committee in view of the adoption of a programme of work :

1. to set up without delay an international commission charged with preparing study themes for further conferences on the protection and revival of areas of historic or artistic interest;

2. to instruct the Secretary General to gather the basic documents necessary for the success of these studies ;

3. asks the Executive Committee to call the attention of this Commission to the following subjects concerning the protection and revivification of centres of historic or artistic interest, subjects whose thorough study appears necessary :

- the methods of making inventories;
- problems of laws and regulations. On this point, the Conference considers that it would be useful to examine, first separately and then together, the legal solutions concerning cities, villages and towns, as well as regions ;
- economic, social, and fiscal problems which should lead eventually to distinct studies and conferences ;
- technical problems. Among these, the conference recommends that priority be given to the examination of the following matters:
  - a. methods of protection and preservation,

- b. methods of revivification in connection with town and country planning schemes,
- c. integration of modern architecture in the tissue of old towns,
- d. practical dispositions with a view to guaranteeing the preservation of the scale and of the character of groups of historic buildings,
- e. preservation and development of the urban and natural framework of centres,
- f. traffic and parking of automobiles,
- g. protection against fire and natural calamities,
- h. street arrangements - pavement, lighting, shutters, sign boards, etc. -,
- i. comparative costs in different countries of restoration work and of new construction,
- j. training of specialists ;

calls the attention of the Executive Committee to the necessity of assigning an order of urgency to these different conferences, in function of economic and social pressures on the centres, and of necessities of a technical nature ;

expresses its gratitude to the ICOMOS National Committee and to the Spanish authorities for the excellent organization of the conference, for the warm welcome, and for all the attention that they have bestowed on the participants.

#### RESOLUTIONS.

The delegates of the Conference on the Protection and Revival of centres of historic or artistic interest, organized by the International Council of Monuments and Sites, in co-operation with the Spanish National Committee, held at Caceres from the 15th to the 19th March 1967,

at the proposal of the Mayor of Caceres, and taking into account the experiments that are underway in the historic part of the city,

propose to the Executive Committee of ICOMOS to contact the international authorities responsible for the standardization of traffic signs in order to study, in common, the possibility of adapting these signs to the needs of the development of centres of historic or artistic interest,

the conference, persuaded of the necessity of protecting the cultural heritage of all the nations and taking into account that centres constitute an essential part of this heritage,

hopes that the countries which have not yet signed and ratified the resolutions of The Hague convention - 1954 - will adhere to it without delay.