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Dear Mr Edric Ong,

Thank you for your letter of 15 February last concerning the International Delphic Games scheduled in Kuching, Sarawak, from 1 to 7 September 2005.

The initiative of the Malaysian Delphic Association to focus these Games on the revitalizing of endangered traditions is most welcome as it corresponds to an issue of key concern for UNESCO and its Member States. In this connection, it is worth recalling that the Convention for the Safeguarding of Intangible Heritage, adopted in 2003 by the UNESCO General Conference lays stress on the need worldwide to preserve and promote crafts as a distinctive embodiment of traditional knowledge and skills.

I am therefore pleased to express our keen interest and full support in this event.

With our best wishes for the success of the International Delphic Games 2005.

Yours sincerely,

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