

**THE  
NATIONAL MEMORY OF THE WORLD COMMITTEE  
OF THE  
REPUBLIC OF VANUATU**

**ANNUAL REPORT  
2010**

**1. Name of Committee:** National Memory of the World Committee of the Republic of Vanuatu.

**2. List of members and office bearers:**

- Vanuatu National Commission of UNESCO representative: The Honourable Minister for Education, represented by Mr. Serge Lewawa;
- Chairperson: Ms. June Norman, Chief Librarian, National Library of Vanuatu;
- Secretary: Mrs. Anne Naupa, Chief Archivist, National Archives of Vanuatu;
- Committee member: M. Marcellin Abong, Director, Vanuatu Cultural Centre;
- Committee member: Mr. Ambong Thompson, Vice-Chairman, Vanuatu National Cultural Council;
- Committee member: Ms. Brigitte Laboukly, National Historic Sites Register;
- Committee member: Mr. Lawson Samuel, Department of Provincial Affairs;
- Committee member: Pastor Shem Tema, Vanuatu Christian Council;
- Committee member: Chief Selwyn Garu, Malvatumauri National Council of Chiefs;
- Committee member: Fred Vurobaravu, Director, Vanuatu Broadcasting & Television Corporation;
- Committee member: Ms. Evelyn Toa, Vanuatu Media Association.

(Quorum: 6 persons.)

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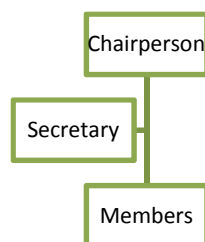
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**4. Structure of the Committee:**



## **5. Committee's Terms of Reference (draft only)**

### THE NATIONAL MEMORY OF THE WORLD COMMITTEE FOR THE REPUBLIC OF VANUATU

#### **Mission Statement**

The Committee will:

- (a) encourage the collection, preservation and registration of documentary items of national, cultural and historic significance;
- (b) establish, maintain and develop a National Register; and
- (c) make every effort to safeguard the national documentary heritage by working with Vanuatu's collecting institutions and other bodies to maintain and develop a wide-ranging program of activities designed to raise awareness of this documentary heritage.

#### **Establishment**

The Committee was established by the Vanuatu National Commission of UNESCO, represented by the Honourable Minister of Education, on 14 July 2010. The eleven Committee members were appointed for a two-year term.

#### **Role of the Committee**

The Vanuatu MOW Committee will have responsibility for the overall management, monitoring and development of the Vanuatu Memory of the World Program in Vanuatu and will:

- raise awareness of and promote the Memory of the World Program in Vanuatu;
- work closely with Government Ministries and Departments, other statutory bodies and Non-Government Organizations to establish and maintain the Vanuatu National Memory of the World Register; receive and assess nominations of documentary heritage for entry in the Vanuatu National Memory of the World Register;
- assess and forward nominations to the Regional and International Advisory Committees of the Memory of the World program for entry on the Regional and International Registers;
- monitor Memory of the World activities taking place in Vanuatu; and
- work in close collaboration with the Asia and Pacific Regional Memory of the World Committee (MOWCAP) to achieve national and regional MOW goals.

#### **Meeting Procedures**

At least two meetings will be held each calendar year and six Committee members present will constitute a quorum. Minutes of Committee meetings will be taken and recorded.

#### **Annual Report**

The Committee will produce and make available an official Annual Report, **setting** out the activities and achievements of the Committee.

## **The Vanuatu National Memory of the World Register**

The Committee will compile and manage the Vanuatu National Memory of the World Register. Initially, the Register will be retained by the Vanuatu Cultural Centre as custodian of the Register.

### **6. Budget for 2010 and sources of funding.**

No funding of any kind was made to the Committee during 2010.

### **7. Activities and achievements, 2010.**

The main achievement was the official inauguration of the Vanuatu National Memory of the World Committee on 14 July 2010.

### **8. National MOW Register**

To be established in 2011.

### **9. Action Plan, 2011**

The Committee will:

- draft a Constitution which will include terms of reference and rules of procedure; as the opportunity arises, arrangements will be made for a UNESCO expert to assist the Committee in this drafting process;
- approve the draft National Documentary Heritage Register and organize its printing and launch.  
organize a memory of the World Exhibition;
- receive and assess nominations of documentary heritage for entry in the Vanuatu National Memory of the World Register;
- organize, support and monitor Memory of the World activities taking place in Vanuatu;
- work in close collaboration with the Asia and Pacific regional Memory of the World Committee (MOWCAP) to achieve national and regional goals; and
- identify and source funding of a small recurrent budget for the operation of the Committee.

### **10. News**

In 2010 Ms. June Bela Norman attended the MOWCAP meeting held in Macau. She came back to Vanuatu with high motivation to set up a national committee in Vanuatu and in June 2010 a committee was officially formed. The committee consists of a chairperson, secretary and eight members.

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**June Norman,  
Chairperson, 10 February 2010**