BIOSPHERE RESERVE NOMINATION FORM

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INTRODUCTION

Biosphere Reserves are areas of terrestrial and coastal/marine ecosystems, or a combination thereof, which are internationally recognized within the framework of UNESCO's Programme on Man and the Biosphere (MAB) They are established to promote and demonstrate a balanced relationship between humans and the biosphere. Biosphere Reserves are designated by the International Co-ordinating Council of the MAB Programme at the request of the State concerned. Individual Biosphere Reserves remain under the sovereign jurisdiction of the State where they are situated. Collectively, all biosphere reserves form a World Network in which participation by States is voluntary.

The World Network is governed by the Statutory Framework adopted by the UNESCO General Conference in 1995 which presents the definition, objectives, criteria and the designation procedure for biosphere reserves. The actions recommended for the future development of biosphere reserves in the 21st century are set out in the "Seville Strategy" which was approved by the UNESCO General Conference. These documents should be used as basic references for the completion of this nomination form.

The information presented on this nomination form will be used in a number of ways by UNESCO:

(a) for examination of the site by the Advisory Committee on Biosphere Reserves and by the Bureau of the MAB International Coordinating Council;

(b) for use in a world-wide accessible information system, notably the UNESCO-MABnet, facilitating communications and interaction amongst persons interested in biosphere reserves throughout the world.

The nomination form consists of two parts: part one is a summary indicating how the nominated area responds to the functions and criteria for biosphere reserves set out in the Statutory Framework, and presents the endorsements for the nomination from the authorities concerned. Part two is more descriptive and detailed, referring to the human, physical and biological characteristics as well as to the institutional aspects. Amongst the supporting documents, please note that it is essential to provide a map clearly showing the zonation of the area.
The text in brackets is provided as a guidance in assisting the MAB National Committees and nominating authorities in completing particular sections of the from. The form should be completed in English, French or Spanish and sent in three copies, with maps and supporting documents to:

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PART I : SUMMARY

1. PROPOSED NAME OF THE BIOSPHERE RESERVE:

[It is advisable to use a locally accepted geographic, descriptive or symbolic name which allows people to identify themselves with the site concerned (e.g. Rio Platano Biosphere Reserve, Bookmark Biosphere Reserve). Except in unusual circumstances, Biosphere Reserves should not be named after existing national parks or similar administrative areas]

2. COUNTRY:

3. FULFILLMENT OF THE THREE FUNCTIONS OF BIOSPHERE RESERVES

(Article 3 of the Statutory Framework presents the three functions of conservation, development and logistic support. Explain in general terms how the area fulfills these functions.)

3.1 "Conservation - contribute to the conservation of landscapes, ecosystems, species and genetic variation" (Stress the importance of the site for conservation at the regional or global scales)

3.2 "Development - foster economic and human development which is socio-culturally and ecologically sustainable". (Indicate the potential of the proposed biosphere reserve in fulfilling this objective).

3.3 "Logistic support - support for demonstration projects, environmental education and training, research and monitoring related to local, regional, national and global issues of conservation and sustainable development".
(Indicate current or planned facilities).

4. CRITERIA FOR DESIGNATION AS A BIOSPHERE RESERVE

[Article 4 of the Statutory Framework presents 7 general criteria for an area to be qualified for designation as a biosphere reserve which are given in order below.]

4.1. "Encompass a mosaic of ecological systems representative of major biogeographic regions, including a gradation of human intervention"

(The term "mosaic" refers to a diversity of natural habitats and land cover types derived from human uses such as fields, managed forests, etc. The term "major biogeographic region" is not strictly defined but it would be useful to refer to the map of the "World Network of Biosphere Reserves" which presents 12 major ecosystem types at a global scale).

4.2 "Be of significance for biological diversity conservation"

(This should refer not only to the numbers of endemic species, or rare and endangered species at the local, regional or global levels, but also to species of globally economic importance, rare habitat types or unique land use practices (for example traditional grazing or artisanal fishing) favouring the conservation of biological diversity. Give only a general indication here.)

4.3 "Provide an opportunity to explore and demonstrate approaches to sustainable development on a regional scale"

(Describe in general terms the potential of the area to serve as a pilot site for promoting the sustainable development of its region (or "eco-region")

4.4 "Have an appropriate size to serve the three functions of biosphere reserves"

(This refers more particularly to (a) the surface area required to meet the long term conservation objectives of the core are(s) and the buffer zone(s) and (b) the availability of areas suitable for working with local communities in testing out and demonstrating sustainable uses of natural resources.)

4.5 Through appropriate zonation :
"(a) a legally constituted core area or areas devoted to long term protection, according to the conservation objectives of the biosphere reserve, and of sufficient size to meet these objectives" ?
(Describe the core area(s) briefly, indicating their legal status, their size, the main conservation objectives)

"(b) a buffer zone or zones clearly identified and surrounding or contiguous to the core area or areas, where only activities compatible with the conservation objectives can take place..."
(Describe briefly the buffer zones(s), their legal status, their size, and the activities which are ongoing and planned there).

"(c) an outer transition area where sustainable resource management practices are promoted and developed"
(The Seville Strategy gave increased emphasis to the transition area since this is the area where the key issues on environment and development of a given region are to be addressed. The transition area is by definition not delimited in space, but rather is changing in size according to the problems that arise over time. Describe briefly the transition area as envisaged at the time of nomination, the types of questions to be addressed there in the near and the longer terms. The size should be given only as an indication).

4.6 "Organizational arrangements should be provided for the involvement and participation of a suitable range of *inter alia* public authorities, local communities and private interests in the design and the carrying out of the functions of a biosphere reserve."
(Are such arrangements in place or foreseen)

4.7 Mechanisms for implementation
(This refers to the administrative mechanisms, which often are determined at the national level.)

Does the proposed biosphere reserve have :
"(a) mechanisms to manage human use and activities in the buffer zone or zones" ?

Yes No Planned

"(b) a management plan or policy for the area as a biosphere reserve" ?

Yes No Planned

"(c) a designated authority or mechanism to implement this policy or plan" ?

Yes No Planned

(d) programmes for research, monitoring, education and training"?
(Describe briefly research/activities monitoring (ongoing or planned) as well education and training activities)

Yes No Planned

5. ENDORSEMENTS

5.1 Signed by the authority/authorities in charge of the management of the core area(s):

Full name : _____

Title : _____

Date: _____

Full name : _____

Title : _____

Date: _____

5.2 Signed by the authority/authorities in charge of the management of the buffer zone(s):

Full name : _____

Title : _____

Date: _____

Full name : _____

Title : _____

Date: _____

5.3 Signed as appropriate by the National (or State or Provincial) administration responsible for the management of the core area(s) and the buffer zone:

Full name : _____

Title : _____

Date: _____

Full name : _____

Title : _____

Date: _____

Full name : _____

Title : _____

Date: _____

5.4 Signed by the authority/authorities, elected local government recognized authority or spokesperson representative of the communities located in the transition area.

Full name : _____

Title : _____

Date: _____

Full name : _____

Title : _____

Date: _____

Full name : _____

Title : _____

Date: _____

5.5 Signed on behalf of the MAB National Committee or focal point:

Full name : _____

Title : _____

Date: _____

PART II : DESCRIPTION

6. LATITUDES AND LONGITUDES OF AREA:

[Indicate in degrees - minutes, seconds. Indicate coordinates of the central point of the proposed biosphere reserves and if possible, the outer limits of the buffer zone]

7. SIZE AND SPATIAL CONFIGURATION (see map):

7.1 Size of terrestrial Core Area(s): _____ ha;
If appropriate, size of marine Core Area(s); _____ ha.

7.2 Size of terrestrial Buffer Zone(s): _____ ha;
If appropriate, size of marine Buffer Zone(s); _____ ha.

7.3 Approx. size of terrestrial Transition Area(s) (if applicable): _____ ha;
If appropriate, approx. size of marine Transition Area(s); _____ ha.

7.4 Brief rationale of this zonation (in terms of the various roles of biosphere reserves) as it appears on the zonation map :

8. BIOGEOGRAPHICAL REGION:

[Indicate the generally accepted name of the biogeographical region in which the proposed Biosphere Reserve is located. You may wish to refer to the map of the World Network of Biosphere Reserves presenting 12 major ecosystem types.]

9. LAND USE HISTORY:

[If known, give a brief summary of past/historical land use(s) of the main parts of the proposed biosphere reserve]

10. HUMAN POPULATION OF PROPOSED BIOSPHERE RESERVE:

[Approximate number of people living within the proposed biosphere reserve]

		permanently / seasonally
10.1	Core Area(s):	_____ / _____
10.2	Buffer Zone(s):	_____ / _____
10.3	Transition Area(s):	_____ / _____

10.4 Brief description of local communities living within or near the proposed Biosphere Reserve:
[Indicate ethnic origin and composition, minorities etc., their main economic activities (e.g. pastoralism) and the location of their main areas of concentration, with reference to a map if necessary]

10.5 Name(s) of nearest major town(s):_____

10.6. Cultural significance:
[Briefly describe the proposed Biosphere Reserve's importance in terms of cultural values (religious, historical, political, social, ethnological)]

11. PHYSICAL CHARACTERISTICS

11.1. Site characteristics and topography of area:
[Briefly describe the major topographic features (wetlands, marshes, mountain ranges, dunes etc.) which most typically characterize the landscape of the area.]

11.1.1 Highest elevation above sea level: _____ metres

11.1.2 Lowest elevation above sea level: _____ metres

11.1.3 For coastal/marine areas, maximum depth below mean sea level:
_____ metres

11.2. Climate:
[Briefly describe the climate of the area using one of the common climate classifications]

11.2.1 Average temperature of the warmest month: _____ °C

11.2.2 Average temperature of the coldest month: _____ °C

11.2.3 Mean annual precipitation: _____ mm, recorded at an elevation of _____ metres

11.2.4 If a meteorological station is in or near the proposed Biosphere Reserve, indicate the year since when climatic data have been recorded:
a) manually: _____
b) automatically: _____
c) Name and location of station: _____

11.3. Geology, geomorphology, soils:
[Briefly describe important formations and conditions, including bedrock geology, sediment deposits, and important soil types]

12. BIOLOGICAL CHARACTERISTICS

[List main **habitat types** (e.g. tropical evergreen forest, savanna woodland, alpine tundra, coral reef, kelp beds) and **land cover types** (e.g. residential areas, agricultural land, pastoral land). For each type circle REGIONAL if the habitat or land cover type is widely distributed within the biogeographical region within which the proposed Biosphere Reserve is located to assess the habitat's or land over type's representativeness. Circle LOCAL if the habitat is of limited distribution within the proposed Biosphere Reserve to assess the habitat's or land cover type's uniqueness. For each habitat or land cover type, list characteristic species and describe important **natural processes** (e.g. tides, sedimentation, glacial retreat, natural fire) or **human impacts** (e.g. grazing, selective cutting, agricultural practices) affecting the system. As appropriate, refer to the vegetation or land cover map provided as supporting documentation.]

12.1. First type of habitat/land cover: _____ DISTRIBUTION Regional/Local

12.1.1 . Characteristic species:

12.1.2. Important natural processes:

12.1.3. Main human impacts:

12.1.4. Relevant management practices:

12.2. Second type of habitat/land cover:_____ DISTRIBUTION Regional/Local

12.2.1. Characteristic species:

12.2.2. Important natural processes:

12.2.3. Main human impacts:

12.2.4. Relevant management practices:

12.3. Third type of habitat/land cover:_____ DISTRIBUTION Regional/Local

12.3.1. Characteristic species:

12.3.2. Important natural processes:

12.3.3. Main human impacts:

12.3.4.Relevant management practices:

12.4. Fourth type of habitat/land cover: _____ DISTRIBUTION Regional/Local

12.4.1. Characteristic species:

12.4.2. Important natural processes:

12.4.3. Main human impacts:

12.4.4. Relevant management practices:

13. CONSERVATION FUNCTION

13.1.Contribution to the conservation of landscape and ecosystem biodiversity
[Describe and give location of landscapes, ecosystems, habitats and/or land cover types of particular significance for the conservation of biological diversity.]

13.2 Conservation of species biodiversity
[Identify main species (with scientific names) or groups of species of particular interest for the conservation of biological diversity, in particular if they are rare or threatened with extinction; use additional sheets if need be.]

13.3. Conservation of genetic biodiversity:
[Indicate species or varieties of traditional or economic importance and their uses, e.g. for medicine, food production, etc.]

14. DEVELOPMENT FUNCTION

14.1.Potential for fostering economic and human development which is socio-culturally and ecologically sustainable:
[Describe how the area has potential to serve as a pilot site for promoting the sustainable development of its region or "eco-region". Describe how the area has potential to serve as a pilot site for promoting the sustainable development of its region or "eco-region]

14.2. If tourism is a major activity:
- how many visitors come to the proposed Biosphere Reserve each year?
- is there a trend towards increasing numbers of visitors? (Give some figures if possible)

14.2.1. Type(s) of tourism
[Study of flora and fauna, recreation, camping, hiking, sailing, horseriding, fishing, hunting, skiing, etc.]

14.2.2. Tourist facilities and description of where these are located and in which zone of the proposed biosphere reserve:

14.2.3. Indicate positive and/or negative impacts of tourism at present or foreseen:

14.3. Benefits of economic activities to local people:
[Indicate for the activities described above whether the local communities derive any income or benefits directly or indirectly from the site proposed as a Biosphere Reserve and through what mechanism]

15. LOGISTIC SUPPORT FUNCTION

15.1. Research and monitoring

15.1.1. To what extent has the past and planned research and monitoring programme been designed to address specific management questions in the potential biosphere reserve? (For example, to identify areas needing strict protection as core areas, or to determine causes of and means to halt soil erosion, etc.).

15.1.2. Brief description of past research and/or monitoring activities
[Indicate the dates of these activities and extent to which the research and monitoring programmes are of local/national importance and/or of international importance.]

•Abiotic research and monitoring [climatology, hydrology, geomorphology, etc.]

• Biotic research and monitoring [flora, fauna]:

• Socio-economic research [demography, economics, traditional knowledge, etc.]:

15.1.3. Brief description of on-going research and/or monitoring activities:

•Abiotic research and monitoring [climatology, hydrology, geomorphology, etc.]:

• Biotic research and monitoring [flora, fauna]

•Socio-economic research [demography, economics, traditional knowledge, etc.]:

15.1.4. Brief description of planned research and/or monitoring activities:

•Abiotic research and monitoring [climatology, hydrology, geomorphology, etc.]:

•Biotic research and monitoring [flora, fauna]:

• Socio-economic research [demography, economics and traditional knowledge]:

15.1.5. Estimated number of national scientists participating in research within the proposed biosphere reserve on

- a permanent basis: _____
- an occasional basis: _____

15.1.6.Estimated number of foreign scientists participating in research within the proposed Biosphere Reserve on

- a permanent basis: _____
- an occasional basis: _____

15.1.7. Estimated number of masters and/or doctoral theses carried out on the proposed biosphere reserve each year:

15.1.8. Research station(s) within the proposed Biosphere Reserve:

[...] = permanent [...] = temporary

15.1.9. Permanent research station(s) outside the proposed Biosphere Reserve:
[If no permanent research station exists within the proposed Biosphere Reserve, indicate the location, distance to the core area, name and address of the most relevant research station]

15.1.10 . Permanent monitoring plots
[Indicate the year established, the objective of monitoring, the type and frequency of observations and measurements, and whether an internationally recognized protocol is being used, for example the Smithsonian-MAB MAPMON protocol for monitoring forest biodiversity]:

15.1.11. Research facilities of research station(s)
[meteorological and/or hydrological station, experimental plots, laboratory, computerized databases, Geographical Information System, library, vehicles, etc.]:

15.1.12. Other facilities
[e.g. facilities for lodging or for overnight accommodation for scientists etc.]:

15.1.13 .Does the proposed biosphere reserve have an Internet connection?

15.2. Environmental education and public awareness
[Environmental education -- sometimes now referred to as education for sustainable development -- can be aimed at schoolchildren, the adult population of the local communities, and visitors from home and abroad].

15.2.1 Describe environmental education and public awareness activities, indicating the target group(s):

15.2.2. Indicate facilities for environmental education and public awareness activities [visitors' centre; interpretative programmes for visitors and tourists; nature trails; ecomuseum demonstration projects on sustainable use of natural resources]:

15.3 Specialist training
[Acquisition of professional skills by managers, university students, decision-makers etc.]

[Describe specialist training activities: f or example research projects for students; professional training and workshops for scientists; professional training and workshops for resource managers and planners; extension services to local people; training for staff in protected area management]

15.4 Potential to contribute to the World Network of Biosphere Reserves
[Collaboration among biosphere reserves at a national, regional and global level in terms of exchange of scientific information, experience in conservation and sustainable use, study tours of personnel, joint seminars and workshops, Internet connections and discussion groups, etc.]

15.4.1. Collaboration with existing biosphere reserves at the national level (indicate on-going or planned activities):

15.4.2. Collaboration with existing biosphere reserves at the regional or subregional levels, including promoting transfrontier sites and twinning arrangements (indicate on-going or planned activities)
[Here, "regional" refers to the regions as Africa, Arab region, Asia and Pacific Latin America and the Caribbean, Europe. Transfrontier biosphere reserves can be created by two or more contiguous countries to promote cooperation to conserve and sustainably use ecosystems which straddle the international boundaries. Twinning arrangements usually consist of agreements between sites located at some distance in different countries to promote activities such as cooperative research projects, cultural exchanges for schoolchildren and adults, etc.]

15.4.3 Collaboration with existing biosphere reserves in thematic networks at the regional or international levels (indicate ongoing and planned activities) [Networks of sites which have a common geographic theme such as islands and archipelagoes, mountains, or grassland systems, or a common topic of interest such as ecotourism, ethnobiology etc.]

15.4.4 Collaboration with existing biosphere reserves at the international level (indicate ongoing and planned activities: [Notably through Internet connections, twinning arrangements, bilateral collaborative research activities, etc.]

16. USES AND ACTIVITIES

16.1 Core Area(s):

16.1.1 Describe the uses and activities occurring within the core area(s):
[While the core area is intended to be strictly protected, certain activities and uses may be occurring or allowed, consistent with the conservation objectives of the core area]

16.1.2. Possible adverse effects on the core area(s) of uses or activities occurring within or outside the core area(s):
(Indicate trends and give statistics if available)

16.2. Buffer zone(s)
16.2.1 Describe the main land uses and economic activities in the buffer zone(s):
[Buffer zones may support a variety of uses which promote the multiple functions of a Biosphere Reserve while helping to ensure the protection and natural evolution of the core area(s).]

16.2.2 . Possible adverse effects on the buffer zone(s) of uses or activities occurring within or outside the buffer zone(s)in the near and longer terms:

16.3. Transition area

[The Seville Strategy gave increased emphasis to the transition area since this is the area where the key issues on environment and development of a given region are to be addressed. The transition area is by definition not delimited in space, but rather is changing in size according to the problems that arise over time. Describe briefly the transition area as envisaged as the time of nomination, the types of questions to be addressed there in the near and the longer terms. The size should be given only as an indication]

16.3.1 Describe the main land uses and major economic activities in the transition area(s):

16.3.2 Possible adverse effects of uses or activities on the transition area(s):

17. INSTITUTIONAL ASPECTS

17.1. STATE, PROVINCE, REGION OR OTHER ADMINISTRATIVE UNITS:

[List in hierarchical order administrative division(s) in which the proposed Biosphere Reserve is located (e.g. state(s), counties, districts)]

17.2 UNITS OF THE PROPOSED BIOSPHERE RESERVE:

[Indicate the name of the different units (as appropriate) making up the core area(s), the buffer zone(s) and the transition area..)

17.2.1. Are these units contiguous or are they separate?
[A biosphere reserve made up of several geographically separate units is called a "cluster biosphere reserve". Please state if this is the case of the proposal.]

17.3. Protection Regime of the core area(s) and, if appropriate of the buffer zone(s)
17.3.1.Core area(s):
[Indicate the type (e.g. under national legislation) and date since when the legal protection came into being and provide justifying documents (with English or French summary of the main features)

17.3.2 Buffer zone(s):
[Indicate the type (e.g. under national legislation) and date since when the legal protection came into being and provide justifying documents (with English or French summary of the main features. If the buffer zone does not have legal protection, indicate the regulations that apply for its management.)

17.4. Land use regulations or agreements applicable to the transition area (if appropriate)

17.5. Land tenure of each zone:
[Describe and give the relative percentage of ownership in terms of national, state/provincial, local government, private ownership, etc. for each zone.]

17.5.1.Core area(s):

17.5.2. Buffer zone(s):

17.5.3.Transition area(s):

17.5.4. Foreseen changes in land tenure:
[Is there a land acquisition programme, e.g. to purchase private lands, or plans for privatization of state-owned lands?]

17.6. Management plan or policy and mechanisms for implementation
[The Seville Strategy recommends promoting the management of each biosphere reserves essentially as a "pact" between the local community and society as a whole. Management should be open, evolving and adaptive. While the aim is to establish a process leading to elaborating a comprehensive management plan for the whole site reflecting these ideas, this may not yet exist at the time of nomination. In this case however, it is necessary to indicate the main features of the management policy which is being applied to guide land use.]

17.6.1 Year of start of implementation of management plan or land use policy:_____

17.6.2 Main features of management plan or land use policy and means of application
[For example through contractual agreements with landowners or resource users, financial incentives etc.]:

17.7.Personnel

17.7.1 Total number of staff of proposed biosphere reserve:
[Provide estimates of the total existing number of personnel, including part-time personnel, working at the proposed Biosphere Reserve]

17.7.2. Number of staff for administrative and resource management:
- permanent: _____
- part-time: _____

17.7.3. Number of national staff for research:
- permanent: _____
- part-time: _____

17.7.3. Number of technical support staff:
- permanent: _____
- part-time: _____

17.8. Financial source(s) and yearly budget:
[Biosphere reserves require technical and financial support for their management and for addressing interrelated environmental, land use, and socio-economic development problems. Indicate the source and the relative percentage of the funding (e.g. from national, regional, local administrations, private funding, international sources etc.) and the estimated yearly budget in the national currency]

17.9. Authority in charge of administration

17.9.1.The proposed biosphere reserve as a whole:
Name:

If appropriate, name the National (or State or Provincial) administration to which this authority reports:

17.9.2. The core area(s):
[Indicate the name of the authority or authorities in charge of administering its legal powers (in original language with English or French translation]
Name(s): _____
Legal powers:

17.9.3.The buffer zone(s)
Name: _____
Legal powers (if appropriate):

17.9.4 . Mechanisms of consultation and coordination among these different authorities:
(For example through consultative meetings, the designation of a special coordinator or facilitator to maintain contacts with all stakeholders and actors.)

17.10. Local organizational arrangements

17.10.1. Indicate how and to what extent the local communities living within and next to the proposed biosphere reserve have been associated with the nomination process (For example through public hearings, participation of local authorities at preparatory meetings, etc)

17.10.2. Indicate how and to what extent the local communities can participate in the formulation and the implementation of the management plan or land use policy:

18. SPECIAL DESIGNATIONS:

[Special designations recognize the importance of particular sites in carrying out the functions important in a biosphere reserve, such as conservation, monitoring, experimental research, and environmental education. These designations can help strengthen these functions where they exist or provide opportunities for developing them. Special designations may apply to an entire proposed biosphere reserve or to a site included within. They are therefore complementary and reinforcing of the designation as a biosphere reserve. They are therefore complementary and reinforcing to designation as a biosphere reserve. Check each designation that applies to the proposed biosphere reserve and indicate its name]

Name:

( ) UNESCO World Heritage Site

( ) RAMSAR Wetland Convention Site

( ) Other international conservation conventions/directives
[Please specify]

( ) Long term monitoring site [Please specify]

( ) Other. [Please specify]

19. SUPPORTING DOCUMENTS (to be submitted with nomination form)

[Clear, well-labelled maps are indispensable for evaluating Biosphere Reserve proposals. The maps to be provided should be referenced to standard coordinates wherever possible.)

( ) General location map

A GENERAL LOCATION MAP of small or medium scale must be provided showing the location of the proposed Biosphere Reserve, and all included administrative areas, within the country, and its position with respect to major rivers, mountain ranges, principal towns, etc.

( ) Biosphere Reserve zonation map (large scale, preferably in black & white for photocopy reproduction)

[A BIOSPHERE RESERVE ZONATION MAP of a larger scale (1:25,000 or 1:50,000) showing the delimitations of all core area(s) and buffer zone(s) must be provided. The approximate extent of the transition area(s) should be shown, if possible. While large scale and large format maps in colour are advisable for reference purposes, it is recommended to also enclose a Biosphere Reserve zonation map in a A-4 writing paper format in black & white for easy photocopy reproduction.]

( ) Vegetation map or land cover map

[A VEGETATION MAP or LAND COVER MAP showing the principal habitats and land cover types of the proposed Biosphere Reserve should be provided, if available].

( ) List of legal documents (if possible with English or French translation)

[List the principal LEGAL DOCUMENTS authorizing the establishment and governing use and management of the proposed Biosphere Reserve and any administrative area(s) they contain. Please provide a copy of these documents, if possible with English or French translation].

( ) List of land use and management plans

[List existing LAND USE and MANAGEMENT PLANS (with dates and reference numbers) for the administrative area(s) included within the proposed Biosphere Reserve. Provide a copy of these documents]

( ) Species list (to be annexed)

[Provide a LIST OF IMPORTANT SPECIES (threatened species as well as economically important species) occurring within the proposed Biosphere Reserve, including common names, wherever possible.]

( ) List of main bibliographic references (to be annexed)

[Provide a list of the main publications and articles of relevance to the proposed biosphere reserve over the past 5-10 years].

20. ADDRESSES

20.1 Contact address of the proposed biosphere reserve:
[Government agency, organization, or other entity (entities) to serve as the main contact to whom all correspondence within the World Network of Biosphere Reserves should be addressed.]

Name: _____
Street or P.O. Box: _____
City with postal code: _____
Country: _____
Telephone: _____
Telefax (or telex): _____
E-mail: _____

20.2. Administering entity of the core area:

Name: _____
Street or P.O. Box: _____
City with postal code: _____
Country: _____
Telephone: _____
Telefax (or telex): _____
E-mail: _____

20.3. Administering entity of the buffer zone:

Name: _____
Street or P.O. Box: _____
City with postal code: _____
Country: _____
Telephone: _____
Telefax (or telex): _____
E-mail: _____