



UNITED STATES MISSION TO UNESCO

Paris, 7 October 2010

H.E. Eleonora Mitrofanova  
Chairman of the Executive Board  
UNESCO  
7, place de Fontenoy  
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Dear Madame Chairman:

In view of the strong global reaction to the creation of the UNESCO-Obiang Nguema Mbasogo International Prize for Research in the Life Sciences, and its negative impact on the credibility, prestige and basic values of UNESCO, the United States wishes to introduce a new agenda item for discussion at the 185<sup>th</sup> Executive Board entitled, "Reconsideration of the Obiang Prize".

The full text of a proposed draft Decision will be forwarded to the Secretariat.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "David T. Killion". The signature is written in a cursive style with a large initial 'D'.

David T. Killion  
Ambassador

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