1. **Membership of UNESCO**: since 4 May 1948

2. **Membership on the Executive Board**: Yes

3. **Membership of the Intergovernmental Committees, Commissions, etc.:**
   - Intergovernmental Committee for Promoting the Return of Cultural Property to its Country of Origin or its Restitution in Case of Illicit Appropriation (term expires in 2015)
   - Intergovernmental Council of the International Programme for the Development of Communication (term expires in 2017)
   - Legal Committee: Member elected by the General Conference at its 36th session - Member of the Legal Committee from the beginning of the 37th session (2013) until the beginning of the 38th session (2015)
   - Intergovernmental Oceanographic Commission
   - Intergovernmental Committee for the Safeguarding of the Intangible Cultural Heritage (term expires in 2018)
   - Intergovernmental Committee for the Protection and Promotion of the Diversity of Cultural Expressions (term expires in 2017)

4. **The Director-General’s visits to Afghanistan**: 1
   - 17-20 May 2013

5. **Permanent Delegation to UNESCO:**
   - Mr Ahmad Edrees Amani, Counsellor, Chargé d’Affaires a.i. (since July 2015)
   - Staff: Ms Khadija Amiri, Second Secretary; Mrs Qudsia Afif Habib, Third Secretary
   - Previous Permanent Delegate: H.E. Mr Mohammed Kacem Fazelly (February 2011 - July 2015)

6. **UNESCO Office in Kabul:**
   - Date of establishment: 1983
   - Name of Director: appointment in progress

7. **National Commission for UNESCO:**
   - Date of establishment: 1948
   - Honorary President: H.E. Mr Assadullah Hanif Balkhi (since August 2015) (Ministry of Education)
   - “Responsible exécutif”: Mr Shakir Habibyar (since August 2015)

8. **Personalities linked to UNESCO’s activities**: none

9. **UNESCO Chairs**: none

10. **Associated schools**: none

11. **Category 2 Institutes and Centres**: none

12. **Biosphere Reserves**: none

13. **World Heritage Sites**: 2
    - **Cultural sites:**
      - Minaret and Archaeological Remains of Jam (2002)
Note: Both sites were inscribed on the List of World Heritage in Danger

14. Tentative List: 4 properties
   • Bagh-e Babur (2009)
   • City of Balkh (antique Bactria) (2004)
   • City of Herat (2004)

15. Intangible Heritage Lists: no inscriptions

16. Memory of the World Register: no elements

17. Creative Cities Network: no appointments

18. Legal instruments: 6 ratified and 33 non-ratified

19. Anniversaries with which UNESCO is associated in 2014-2015: none

20. Participation Programme:
    2014-2015: 1 project approved, for US$ 26,000. However, due to the fact that BFM did not validate two financial reports for projects paid in 2012-2013, the approved funds transfer for 2014-2015 was blocked and these funds were redistributed to other Member States.
    2012-2013: 7 projects approved, for a total amount of US$ 122,600
    2010-2011: 6 projects approved, for a total amount of US$ 156,000

21. Fellowships: 3 fellowships awarded since 2010, for a total amount of US$ 4,827

22. Voluntary contributions to UNESCO Extra-budgetary Activities and Institutes:
   (expressed in US Dollars)

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23. Payment of assessed membership fees:
   Assessment rate: 0.005%; contributions assessed for 2014-2015: US$ 32,650

24. Representation within the Secretariat: normally represented
   2 professional staff in geographical posts (min.2, max.4)