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Subject: 2008 UNESCO Asia-Pacific Heritage Awards

Dear Sir,

Thank you for submitting an entry to the 2008 UNESCO Asia Pacific Heritage Awards. I am pleased to report that a total of 45 entries have been received for the 2008 UNESCO Asia-Pacific Heritage Awards for Culture Heritage Conservation from 13 countries in the region. You can obtain details about all of the entries from our website: www.unescobkk.org/culture/heritageawards.

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The Jury of twelve international conservation experts was convened from 9-11 June 2008 at UNESCO Bangkok to deliberate on the project entries.

As almost all of the entries were technically excellent, the competition this year was very difficult. Though your project, **54 Muntri Street, Georgetown, Penang, Malaysia**, was not selected for one of the announced prizes, the Jury noted that the project reflects a noteworthy commitment to conserving the heritage resources of the region, and reflects the increasing momentum and standards of conservation throughout Asia and the Pacific. The Jury would like to share their comments on your entry, as follows:

The Jury would like to recognize the efforts in preserving and continuing to use a significant building that is an integral part of the distinctive town scheme of Georgetown. The project is to be commended for its attention to detail, especially in the choice of materials and careful integration of modern facilities. However, the Jury noted that the project, while commendable in itself, has not extended the conservation vocabulary for this type of project.

We hope that the lessons learned during this project will continue to enhance your future restoration efforts. I also hope that the other projects submitted for consideration this year will provide useful case studies on the conservation work being undertaken in the region. On behalf of UNESCO and the Jury, I would like to thank you for your participation in the 2008 UNESCO Heritage Awards competition and your commitment to conservation in Asia and the Pacific.

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We look forward to receiving future entries to the UNESCO Asia-Pacific Heritage Award competition.

Yours sincerely,

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