

# Cultural Heritage Coordinating Committee



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## PARTICIPATING AGENCIES

Department of State

Department of Defense

Department of Homeland Security

Department of the Interior

Department of Justice

Department of the Treasury

Institute of Museum and Library Services

Library of Congress

National Archives and Records  
Administration

National Endowment for the Arts

National Endowment for the Humanities

Smithsonian Institution

U.S. Agency for International  
Development

The Cultural Heritage Coordinating Committee (CHCC) builds cooperation across U.S. government agencies to protect and preserve culture around the world. The Department of State established the CHCC in 2016 under the Protect and Preserve International Cultural Property Act.

**The CHCC is composed of four working groups that include: Technology; Public Awareness and Partnerships; Preservation; and the Cultural Antiquities Task Force**

The CHCC coordinates the activities of participating agencies and institutions to achieve the following goals:

- » Protect and preserve international cultural property
- » Prevent and disrupt looting and trafficking of antiquities, especially when linked to terrorist and criminal organizations
- » Protect and preserve sites of cultural and archaeological significance
- » Provide for the lawful exchange of international cultural property



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