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Monday 23rd July 2001 Nimbus Art Centre, 10/12 Maitama Sule Street Ikoyi, Lagos
2.00 – 4.00 Prof Yacouba Konate *40 Years of Visual Arts in Ivory Coast*
5.00 – 7.00 William Miko *Contemporary Art in Zambia*

The Institute of Visual Art and Culture (IVAC) is pleased to present the 4th and 5th guest speakers as part of its international lecture series organised in collaboration with MyDrim Gallery Lagos, The University of Nigeria, Nsukka and Ahmadu Bello University Zaria.

Yacouba Konate is a professor of philosophy at the University of Abidjan in Ivory Coast. As an art critic he has written in several art journals, magazines and exhibition catalogues. His interest in the visual arts resulted in the book on artist Christian lattier 'le sculpteur aux mains nues'. He has also been involved in several curatorial projects including Grapholies (1993) Dakar Biennale (1998) East meets West (1999) amongst others. Prof Konate's slide lecture will give an insight into the development of the visual arts in Ivory Coast over the past 40 years.

William Miko is an artist (painter) and cultural facilitator. In addition to being a practicing artist he has worked on several cultural projects for organisations such as Zambian National Museum, UNICEF, USAID and the European Union. As an artist he has exhibited his work nationally and internationally and has undertaken several artist in residency programmes worldwide.

Mr Miko will present a slide lecture on Contemporary art in Zambia. He will highlight the styles and issues that have preoccupied artist over the last few years. He will also talk about his dual role as an artist/cultural facilitator.

IVAC is pleased to present the final lectures of this international programme in collaboration Nimbus Art Centre as part of our aim of working with as many organisations as possible. The lecture series will also continue at the Ahmadu Bello University, Zaria with a talk by William Miko and At the National Museum, Enugu with a talk by Prof. Konate.

NOTES TO EDITORS

For more information about the programme please contact MyDrim Gallery at 74b Norman Williams Street, Ikoyi, Lagos. Tel 269 4796

IVAC, The Institute of Visual Art and Culture is a non-profit organisation committed to the advancement and the education of the public in the visual arts. In response to a gap within the field of critical debate on contemporary visual art and culture, IVAC was established in 1998 by Bisi Silva and Sinmi Ogunsanya. Lectures on Contemporary Visual Art and Culture is a Year 2000 initiative that constitutes a series of 5 lectures.

The project has received generous support from the Prince Claus Fund in the Netherlands which stimulates and supports activities in the field of culture and development with awards by funding and producing publications and by financing promoting networks and innovative projects. Assistance has also been gratefully received from the French Cultural Centre and Eco Bank, Lagos.