Draft Decision: 43 COM 8B.27

The World Heritage Committee,

1. Having examined Documents WHC/19/43.COM/8B and WHC/19/43.COM/INF.8B1,

2. Refers, Inscribes the nomination of the Landscape for Breeding and Training of Ceremonial Carriage Horses at Kladruby nad Labem, Czechia, back to the State Party to allow it to: on the World Heritage List on the basis of criteria (iv) and (v);

3. Takes note of the provisional Statement of Outstanding Universal Value, and also noting that the statement will need to be redrafted in consultation with ICOMOS:

   [Insert text from the Nomination Dossier minus criteria (ii)]

4. Requests that the State Party working with the Steering Group established to coordinate management of the property, to finalise by December 2020, the expansion of the buffer zone to the south by including further land across the River Elbe in the stretch where the boundaries are too tight or coinciding with those of the nominated property, in order to guarantee that it is equipped in its entirety with the necessary layer of additional protection,

   a) Expand the buffer zone to the south by including further land across the River Elbe in the stretch where the boundaries are too tight or coinciding with those of the nominated property, in order to guarantee that it is equipped in its entirety with the necessary layer of additional protection,

   b) Provide ad-hoc legal protection to the Kladrubský náhon (canal system) as historical heritage, it having been the main water source for the nominated property;

3. Recommends that the State Party give consideration to the following:

   a) Finalising the revision of the management plan, whilst retaining the still-valid structure and approach of the 2012 document,
b) Developing a robust visitor strategy that extends to the territory beyond the buffer zone and discouraging individual vehicular access to the nominated property,

c) Improving risk management by carrying out a study on possible threats and effects that may be associated with climate change and prioritising the response to the most likely threats,

d) Considering the integration of a Heritage Impact Assessment approach into the management system,

e) Monitoring the potential interferences between the general plans for the Danube-Elbe, and the construction of new canals with the nominated landscape,

f) Assessing the potential impact of the plans for touristic river transportation on the general historic hydraulic system and also considering possible impacts on the Natura 2000 community site,

g) Removing the high-voltage power lines crossing the nominated landscape and implementing measures to minimise the visual impact of the Chvaletice power station, h) Carefully assessing the opportunity, pace and modalities of replanting the lines of trees of the avenues as well as hedges, taking into account species, distance, and size of the trees,

i) Ensuring the correct interpretation of the site as a cultural landscape, where the horses, landscape features, buildings, and natural elements have produced long-lasting impacts on the environment and on the people,

j) Establishing an archive and a digital register of primary source documents and setting up a central register of data at the National Stud Farm.