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Subject: State of conservation report on the implementation of the provisions of the Decision 38 COM 7B.25 of the World Heritage Committee, of the World Heritage property „Old City of Dubrovnik“(Croatia)

Dear Madam Rössler

In response to the Decision of the World Heritage Committee regarding the Old city of Dubrovnik (38 COM 78.25), a report on the implementation of the provisions of the Decision was prepared and attached to this letter.

We hope the informations in the following report responded to all questions raised in the Decision. We are willing to provide any further explanations as deemed necessary.

Let us take this opportunity to once more express our firm dedication in the implementation of the World Heritage Convention.

Please accept, Mrs Rössler, the assurances of my highest consideration.

Yours faithfully,



Assistant Minister

Mrs Sanja Šaban

Copy to:

National Commission of Croatia for UNESCO

Name of World Heritage property State Party ID number

Old City of Dubrovnik (Croatia) (C 95bis)

Date of inscription on the World Heritage List:

1979; (Extension: 1994)

Inscription Criteria:

(i)(iii)(iv)

Year(s) of inscription on the List of World Heritage in Danger:

1991-1998

**REPORT CONCERNING THE IMPLEMENTATION OF THE DECISION
ADOPTED AT THE 38TH SESSION (DOHA, 2014) OF THE WORLD HERITAGE
COMMITTEE, REGARDING THE OLD CITY OF DUBROVNIK**

This report has been prepared in accordance with the decision of the World Heritage Committee (38 COM 78.25), for the state of conservation of the World Heritage site – Old City of Dubrovnik (Croatia) (C 95bis), adopted at the 38 session of the World Heritage Committee in Doha, Qatar. The decision was adopted in concern of the potential negative impact on the World Heritage Property due to the intention of realization of a large project in the vicinity of the site.

1. Executive summary of the report

This report has been prepared in accordance with the decision of the World Heritage Committee (38 COM 78.25), for the state of conservation of the World Heritage site - City of Dubrovnik (Croatia) (C 95bis), adopted at the 38 session of the World Heritage Committee in Doha, Qatar. The decision was adopted in concern of the potential negative impact on the World Heritage Property due to the realization of a large project in the vicinity of the site. The subject of the concern is the large scale development of a *“Sports-recreational centre with a golf course and tourist resorts Bosanka North and Bosanka South”* on the plateau of the hill of Srđ above Dubrovnik as foreseen within the adopted Urban Plan.

Heritage Impact Assessment Report on potential impact of the planned project "Sports and Recreation Centre with a golf course and Bosanka North and Bosanka South Tourist Resorts" on the World Heritage Site of the "Old City of Dubrovnik" was prepared by the Institute of Urban Planning, Physical Planning and Landscape Architecture of the Faculty of Architecture, University of Zagreb, according to the Guidance on Heritage Impact Assessment (HIA) for the properties of the World Heritage, issued by ICOMOS. Heritage impact assessment report submitted to the World Heritage Center and presented to the stakeholders – State and local administration, heritage professionals, local community on the occasion of the joint UNESCO/ICOMOS Mission in Dubrovnik on 29.10.2015.

Joint World Heritage Centre/ICOMOS reactive monitoring mission to the property was realized from in October 2015. During the mission, participants visited all parts

of the World Heritage Site and its wider surrounding including the area proposed for development. Presentations for the mission participants and main stakeholders were organized on the following issues: Heritage Impact Assessment, Management Plan, Tourism Strategy and cruise ships tourism. Separate consultation meeting was organized for the mission participants with representatives of local NGOs and Croatian ICOMOS.

Coordination of development of the Management Plan was delegated to the Institute for Restoration of Dubrovnik. The Committee for monitoring the Management plan development is established and financial resources for the activities are ensured in the city budget so the work continues towards the tendering and contracting the Management Plan maker. The structure and procedure has been presented to the reactive monitoring mission and after completion it will be submitted to the World Heritage Center.

Strategic document concerning tourism development of the city of Dubrovnik including legal provisions of cruise tourism is final phase of drafting together with the by the University of Dubrovnik and should answer to important issues for tourism development with special reference to the cruise tourism to the problematic and economic point of view is a very important segment of tourism, economy and social life in general city of Dubrovnik. Strategy consists of five main chapters. Extensive survey of the major tourism and other stakeholders in the area of Dubrovnik has been conducted. After processing the results of the survey, which will be a solid basis for the finalization of the last chapter and the completion of the project. This strategic document has been presented by the author to the reactive monitoring mission participants and after completion it will be submitted to the World Heritage Center.