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FAO: Planning Inspectorate and new Transport Secretary, the Rt Hon Anne-Marie Trevelyan MP.

## UNESCO's Advisory Mission report - Consultation on Response from National Highways

I am concerned at the very short time permitted for consultation responses, please permit and publish an appropriate extension.

I agree with the principal findings in the report of the Advisory Mission, i.e. that the scheme would have an adverse impact on the OUV of the WHS and that a southern bypass should be further explored.

The Mission admitted that at the very least the western limit of the tunnel should be extended to the WHS boundary.

National Highways has simply reiterated many of the arguments it has raised previously to justify a scheme which is clearly unacceptable to:

- Government's independent specialist examiners,
- UNESCO's World Heritage Committee, and
- the former Transport Secretary himself who agreed with the examining panel that the scheme would be "significantly adverse" overall.

The High Court judgment quashed the DCO in part because the Transport Secretary had not given proper consideration to alternatives.

National Highways' response fails to alleviate any of the above concerns. At the very least, alternatives need to be shown to have been considered.

I continue to object to the proposals and hope that the scheme will be abandoned, or extensively amended to mitigate the adverse impacts of the current proposals.

Given the current concerns regarding Carbon emissions, it seems the wrong time to be proposing a major scheme through such an important heritage landscape.

Should the Transport Secretary intend to proceed with the scheme, I trust that it will be subject of another formal Public Examination so that all of the new information submitted by National Highways and others since 2020 may be fully and openly discussed, and taken into account and advised upon by the Government's independent Planning Inspectorate.

Regards

Stephen Miller