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Subject: Consultation on UNESCO Advisory Mission Report

Date: 26 September 2022 10:01:17

Dear Sir or Madam,

I have read the report of the Advisory Mission in consultation with The Stonehenge Alliance and make the following points:-

I agree with its principal finding, i.e. National Highways submission would have an adverse impact on the OUV of the WHS and that a southern bypass should be explored further.

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 judgement quashed the DCO in part because the Transport Secretary had not given proper consideration to alternatives.

National Highway's response fails to alleviate any of the above concerns.

I continue to object to the proposals and hope the scheme will be abandoned.

Should the Transport Secretary intend to proceed with the scheme, I trust that it will be subject to 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.

Yours sincerely Ronald Wright.