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LETTER OF SUPPORT FOR THE NOMINATION OF "BAČKO PODUNAVLJE" UNESCO/MAB BIOSPHERE RESERVE

Ministers responsible for environmental protection in Austria, Croatia, Hungary, Serbia and Slovenia signed in March 2011 a Ministerial Declaration to join their individual protected river in areas and to establish a UNESCO Trans boundary Biosphere Reserve to protect their shared nature and wildlife along the Mura, Drava and Danube rivers. This agreement was based on the initial initiative of Croatia and Hungary and a respective agreement signed in 2009. As contribution to the initiative and already established biosphere reserves in Hungary and Croatia, the preparation of the national nomination dossier for "Bačko Podunavlje"Biosphere Reservewas organized in Serbia.

We would like to inform you that the establishment of "Bačko Podunavlje" Biosphere Reserve in the Republic of Serbia is strongly supported by City of Sombor. We will continue to support the initiative of establishing the Biosphere Reserve, which treasuresnot only natural and cultural heritage, but as well cooperation and stakeholder involvement as an important pillar of achieving the sustainable development principles.

Yours sincerely,

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