

Mr. President

Let me appeal to you as the head of an organization that performs one of the most important humanitarian missions on the planet - the preservation of the cultural heritage of humanity from one of the most destructive aspects of its activity - war. Everything that remains to the next generation from the previous ones: thoughts - in the form of books, emotions - in the form of music, a sense of beauty - in the form of monuments of material culture.

As a citizen of Russia, concerned about the fate of the architectural heritage of my country and my native city, Moscow, let me ask for the support and assistance of the organization you lead!

Since 2011, the author of this appeal has been taking initiative in the creation in Moscow of such an environmentally friendly mode of transport as high-speed trams. This type of transport, including the usual urban tram, is one of the most efficient and economical ways to solve many of Moscow's transport problems with minimal negative impact both on the ecology of the place and on cultural heritage sites.

The initiative to create a high-speed tram in the south-west of Moscow, gradually developing, was complemented by a number of such extremely important for Moscow ecological-transport initiatives as the creation of tram-pedestrian zones and restrictions on the entry of cars into the central, historical part of Moscow where the overwhelming number of cultural heritage sites are located, including here is a monument such as the Moscow Kremlin and Red Square, which is a UNESCO World Heritage Site.

Reducing the effects of exhaust gases on objects of antiquity can not only prolong the life of architectural monuments, but also create in Russia a new atmosphere of respect and attention to cultural heritage. The political complexity of the implementation of such a measure as a restriction on the entry of cars into the city center, as well as the complexity of the socio-economic characteristics hinder the realization of the initiatives taken.

The lack of selfish motives prompted me, ultimately, to turn to the UN Human Rights Council for the support of my efforts (see [Appendix 1](#)). Allow me to draw your attention to the fact that the answers of Russia (see [Appendix 2](#)) to relevant recommendations of the recommendations of Austria and Portugal (147.10, 147.48, 147.53, 147.140, 147.141 see [Appendix 3](#)) are not confirmed in the Universal Periodic Review for 2018.

The unambitious hope that the global interests of the Blue Shield International in protecting the cultural heritage would not be inaction with respect to Russia, prompted me to appeal to you, Mr. President.

I believe that if the [attached](#) appeal to the head of Russia - V. Putin - is sent to the hands of decision-makers in the state, I would like to express cautious confidence that the results of an objective and meaningful consideration will be useful for preserving Russia's cultural heritage.

Mister President, if the subject of this appeal is interesting for you, and the request for assistance in the sending of the enclosed appeal to the President of Russia seems to you worthy of your time and attention, then the historical center of the Russian capital will be due to you to increase its aesthetic attractiveness.

As an additional argument, which allows us to assert with greater certainty the usefulness of the initiatives proposed for your attention, which are described on the project website www.uzir.ru, could serve the experience of London, which has implemented these measures for a long time.

Allow me also to express my humble hope for your personal support, support for authority, which has many years of experience in maintaining multinational unity and increasing the common cultural heritage of Central European nations, which laid the foundations for the cultural achievements of many nations, including Russia.

Attachment:

1. [Appeal to the UN Human Rights Council](#) – 11 pages;
2. [National report submitted in accordance with paragraph 5 of the annex to resolution 16/21 of the Human Rights Council](#) – 24 pages;
3. [Report of the Working Group on the universal periodic review](#) – 29 pages;
4. [Appeal to the President Putin V.V. in original version](#) – 3 pages;
5. [Appeal to the President Putin V.V. in English version](#) – 3 pages.



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