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SITIN, 28 June 2019 - Venice – Palazzo Zorzi

COVER LETTER

Dear Mechtild Rossler Director,

on the occasion of the SITIN organized in Venice on Friday 28 June 2019 at 11.00, by many Venetian environmental associations, in front of Palazzo Zorzi, headquarters of UNESCO,

we have handed over to a UNESCO leader in Venice documents relating to the WH Committee next decision on the certification of the Hills of Prosecco Conegliano Valdobbiadene.

In these documents dozens of associations denounce a series of pollution and discomfort problems of the population residing in the hills of Prosecco due to a viticultural industrial monoculture, developed in recent years, monoculture that will put all environmental factors at risk and will create significant and growing future problems, to UNESCO itself.

With this SITIN we ask WH Committee, NOT TO CERTIFY THE SITE COLLINE DEL PROSECCO until the over fifteen strong recommendations that have been listed by ICOMOS itself at the end of its document **will be resolved and controlled:** *"2019 - Evaluations of Nominations of Cultural and Mixed Properties - WHC-19 / 43.COM / INF.8B1.Add UNESCO"*.

We also ASK these documents to be kindly delivered before 7 July in Baku to the 21 WH Committee members listed in the list attached.

Thanks and best regards

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- **Committee Colli Puri Conegliano**

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DOCUMENTS DELIVERED:

1 – Cover letter to Mrs M. Rossler

2 – FLYER OF SITIN IN FRONT OF THE UNESCO PALACE IN VENICE on Friday 28.6.2019

3 – Letter sent by 39 environmentalist associations to Mrs M. Rossler and ICOMOS Italia on 8 May 2019

4 - WH Watch Report 2019 - Extract - The Prosecco Region - A Contentious World Heritage Nominee

5 - UNESCO - Colline prosecco - The very heavy ICOMOS UNESCO 2019 recommendations extract from WHC-19/43.COM/INF.8B1.Add document

6 –Extrajudicial caution sent to the Veneto region for damage caused by the monoculture of prosecco.

7 – Press release - UNESCO - Prosecco Hills Certification - Omissions and errors in expert documents - 10.6.2019

8 – Press Release - DOCG prosecco: SITIN in front of the UNESCO headquarters in Venice on Friday 28.6.2019

9 – PAN International Appeal to UNESCO World Heritage Committee: The case of Italian Prosecco DOCG Region

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