Resolution

On High-Rise Buildings Near Saint-Sophia Cathedral, Kiev

We, the participants of 4th International Civil Society Forum on World Heritage at Risk, address the World Heritage Committee, World Heritage Centre, Advisory Bodies (ICOMOS, ICCROM) with the requests:

- to take into consideration the information on the State of Conservation of the WH Objects that is provided by the NGOs which are engaged in the protection of the historical and cultural heritage;
- to open the discussion on Object 527 “Kiev Saint-Sophia Cathedral and Related Monastic Buildings, Kiev Pechersk Lavra”;
- to make some amendments to the following items in Draft Decision 41 COM 7B.53:

  Article 9:
  Requests the State Party to implement the previous Committee decisions, including Decision 39 COM 7B.85; the recommendations of the 2017 mission and the decision of the Temporary Control Commission at the Kyiv City Council for study and settlement of the construction and land-use issues in Gonchara str., 17-23; and to reduce the height of a discordant building in Gonchara str., 17-23 (the buffer zone of St. Sophia Cathedral); high-rise building in Leiptsigska str., 13, and Mechnikova str., 11 (protected area of Kyiv-Pechersk Lavra) by means of demolishing the already constructed storeys to the level of neighboring historical buildings, as it was done in Desyatynny Lane, 3-5.

  Article 10:
  Finally requests the State Party to submit to the World Heritage Centre, by 1 December 2017, an updated report on the state of conservation of the property and the implementation of the above, for examination by the World Heritage Committee at its 42nd session in 2018, with a view to considering, in the case of confirmation of the ascertained or potential danger to Outstanding Universal Value, the possible inscription of the property on the List of World Heritage in Danger.

Krakov, 1st July 2017