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Re: Position Statement of Struma motorway through Kresna Gorge by scientists and experts in the field of biodiversity conservation

Dear Dr Beshkov,

With the present letter we would like to endorse the “Statement of Struma motorway through Kresna Gorge by scientists and experts in the field of biodiversity conservation”.

The Kresna gorge is a well known habitat for rare butterflies and moths, valued very much by our members, many of whom visited the place for study. Indeed during the XVIIIth European Congress of Lepidopterology held in Bulgaria in August 2013 and organized by you, members of our society had the opportunity to visit Kresna Gorge and see by themselves its remarkable diversity of insects and plants.

We sincerely hope alternatives to the construction of the motorway through the Kresna Gorge will be found and the biodiversity of this remarkable site will be preserved for future generations.

Yours sincerely,



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