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Subject: State of conservation of the World Heritage property 'Aasivissuit – Nipisat. Inuit Hunting Ground between Ice and Sea'

Dear Mr Weiße,

I would like to thank you for your communication of 29 May last, expressing concerns regarding a planned road construction project and tourist infrastructure development proposal at the World Heritage property 'Aasivissuit – Nipisat. Inuit Hunting Ground between Ice and Sea'.

According to Article 4 of the *World Heritage Convention*, "the duty of ensuring the identification, protection, conservation, preservation and transmission to future generations of the cultural and natural heritage situated on its territory", belongs primarily to the States Parties to the *World Heritage Convention*.

Please be informed that we have transmitted your concerns to the Danish authorities, as well as the IUCN, in conformity with Paragraph 174 of the *Operational Guidelines for the Implementation of the World Heritage Convention*, for their information and comment.

We appreciate that you have reached out to the World Heritage Centre and would like to thank you for your commitment to the conservation of the World Heritage property 'Aasivissuit – Nipisat. Inuit Hunting Ground between Ice and Sea'.

Thanking you for your interest in the *World Heritage Convention*, I remain,

Yours sincerely,

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