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People of Kazakhstan

We urge UNESCO to initiate dialogue with the leadership of Kazakhstan about inclusion in the World Heritage List all reserves and National natural parks of Kazakhstan with the purpose to stop dirty privatization business. To take the measures obliging the leadership of Kazakhstan strictly to observe all world situations and conventions on preservation of integrity of all of Special protected territories and maintenance of preservation of a biodiversity and endangered species of flora and fauna.

Why this is important

Population Snow Leopard is on the verge of disappearance. If today we don't take cardinal steps for preservation of population of a snow leopard, we will lose forever this invaluable gift of the nature as already lost forever thousands others the most rare, amazing a species of animals and birds. Today the number of a snow leopard in the wild nature fluctuates from three individuals to seven thousand.

We consider that threat of disappearance of a snow leopard has to become object of attention of the international community, and preservation of a look to become general responsibility. Modern people need to remember history lessons when use of natural resources, led its varieties to exhaustion of ecosystems and large-scale ecological disasters.

The area of distribution of a snow leopard includes 12 countries, among which Afghanistan, Butane, India, Kazakhstan, Kyrgyzstan, China, Mongolia, Nepal, Pakistan, Russia, Tajikistan and Uzbekistan.

The government of Kazakhstan, the Ministry of the industry and new technologies of Kazakhstan, the Ministry of environment and water resources of Kazakhstan and Akimat (municipality) of the Almaty city, despite protests of the public and the statement of ecologists for the future ecological disaster, undertake active actions and make amendments to the Kazakhstan legislation for a conclusion of lands from structure Special protected natural territories to lands of a stock. It becomes within the program of the forced industrial development of Kazakhstan at the initiative of Akimat (municipality) of the Almaty city.

In plans of officials construction of a large mountain-skiing complex of a world class in National natural park "Ile-Alatau" (Northern Tien Shan). For development of the feasibility study on the project the foreign company Ecosign Mountain Resort Planners Ltd is attracted. According to the feasibility report summary at the first stage of construction cutting down of 27,5 hectares of a relic coniferous forest, profiling of slopes of the mountain Kumbel, a design of 16 ropeways, laying of roads and communications, construction of residential buildings of hotels, golf of platforms, entertaining institutions, etc. is planned. For artificial snowmaking of slopes the water fence from sources feeding with drinking water the city of Almaty is planned.

All this will lead to destruction of an area of dwelling of a set of endangered species of plants and animals included in the international Red List IUCN, including a snow leopard.