VRATNICE – The Court and Cult of the Dead Rulers Bosnian Valley of Pyramids

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At the point where the Fojnica River flows into the Bosna ... the unprecedented discovery of a complex of gigantic pyramids – larger than any previously discovered anywhere on Earth, brought to light by the awareness, experience, and uncanny planetary vision of Semir Osmanagic, who has specialized in the research of lost civilizations – has led thousands of visitors to flock to see in person the hills of Visocica and Pljesivica, which have come to be known as the Pyramid of the Sun and the Pyramid of the Moon, to have the pleasure of personally witnessing the evidence uncovered so far for the existence of the work of unknown hands from an as yet unestablished time in pre-history.

A few privileged experts and journalists have been additionally exhilarated by the opportunity to investigate the protected tunnel between the village of Ravne and the Pyramid of the Sun – by crawling on all fours for hundreds of meters through the narrow tunnel, 18 meters underground. In the process they came across two thick megaliths consisting of fine-grained sandstone of unusual shapes, beneath a thick layer of *breccia*, containing a collection of unfamiliar symbols hewn in them. The writer considers these to be something representing the earliest pre-historic European writing system – which we will dub "Proto-Bosnian".

The discovery of these huge and impressive archeological artifacts, whose dimensions exceed the height and width of the tunnel itself, was made by a group of mining specialists from Zenica. These volunteers and experts, working on weekends during the month of April, 2006, carefully unearthed them from the base of the walls in the cramped quarters of the dark tunnel and installed support piles to protect against possible collapse of the breccia rock which the tunnel had been carved into. There is no evidence of any support piles having been used when the tunnel was originally made. Already in May it was possible to make the tunnel available for examination by outside experts. Although this is one of the most significant archeological discoveries in Europe, most of the world has not yet become aware of it.

The non-political and non-profit "Bosnian Pyramid of the Sun" Foundation is now expanding another five kilometers to the southeast, in the direction of Sarajevo, to the area of the village of Vratnice, which can be reached only by a narrow asphalt road, once not so long ago a road of cobblestones, which connected the town of Fojnica with the town of Kraljeva Sutjeska. This is a very picturesque valley. Immediately above the village there is a good-size hill, with the strange, non-Slavic name of "Toprakalia", which we are willing to hypothesize is the location of a hypothetical "tumulus" – the mystical burial place of a pre-historic ruler of the Bosnian Valley of Pyramids, a place of a powerful magnetic pole.

Will this hypothesis prove to be a reality, or possibly even something bigger? In any event, it is crying out to be investigated.



Photo 1 – The view from the front of the Toprakalia Hill before the beginning of research work (photo by Muris Osmanagic)



Photo 2 – A close-up of the partially excavated stone structure on the upper part of the Toprakalia Hill (Photo by Isla Cero, July 20, 2006)



Photo 3 –the partially excavated stone structure on the upper part of the Toprakalia Hill (Photo by Isla Cero, July 20, 2006)



Photo 4 – A detail of the excavated paved plateau, with 12 cm thick tri-dimensional mosaic slabs, on the northern side of the Toprakalia Hill (Islam Cero, July 20, 2006)

The **Toprakalia Hill** (photo 1) at first seems to be an ordinary hill. From the western side it is semicircular in shape, with a diameter of about 140 meters, with sparse grass and an occasional bush. It does not have forests as other hills in the area do. There are four narrow grassy sets of steps which surround the hill. In the winter the snow melts more quickly on this hill than on neighboring ones. The locals have extracted numerous large slabs of rock here.

There were several indications here to show us that this was not an ordinary hill. But we needed to find concrete evidence as a basis for developing an appropriate research project and requesting permission for that research from the authorities. For this reason, the local inhabitants, with the approval of private owners of the land and in consultation with a project engineer, voluntarily made the initial excavations. They marked off these excavated areas with yellow ribbon as seen in photo 4.

Thanks to the diligent effort of these local inhabitants and their leader, Admir Tatar, from beneath a layer of earth of approx. 80 cm deep, part of a stone structure hidden for thousands of years was revealed, astonishing for its beauty, geometrical shape and the connecting lines which surrounded the hill, as well as transverse lines which went into the depth of the hill. Individual stone blocks, two to four meters in length, one to 1.5 meters wide and 0.55 meters thick, consisting of fine-grained sandstone, very hard, having the appearance of poured concrete. The upper surface of the blocks had a very smooth mosaic with hollowed out areas.

The orientation of the foot and the middle of the hill was established using a compass. But at the top of the the compass did not react. Some strong magnetic force prevented it from functioning.

All of the above factors and elements were sufficient to conclude the Project of Systematic Research of this challenging area and to propose to the Executive Committee of the BPS Foundation, at a meeting held July 21, 2006, that they include this in their program of research for the second half of 2006, together with a proposed co-ordinating team of experts for supervising the project. This proposal was accepted at the August 01, 2006 meeting together with the resolution to seek approval from the authorities for this program.

The proposed research program will apply a combination of methods of geo-physics for preliminary identification of geological and possible man-made structure inside the Toprakalia Hill, which will assist in further focus of the directions for research within the coming months.

Furthermore,

With carefully established organization, with a minimum of support from the BPS Foundation, we expect by the end of 2006 to provide evidence of the true archeological potential of the Toprakalia Hill and possibly to provide additional insight on certain basic questions of the entire pyramid complex.

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NOTE: further information will be given at www.piramidasunca.ba, including

- 2. Discovery of the T-1 Megalith in the tunnel between Ravne and the Bosnian Pyramid of the Sun, with letters of the first pre-historic European, or "Proto-Bosnian" writing;
- 3. Discovery of the T-2 Megalith in the tunnel between Ravne and the Bosnian Pyramid of the Sun, with a pre-historic relief of the Bosnian Valley of Pyramids and the Cult of the Snake.