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To the Intergovernmental Committee of UNESCO,

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Consent for the nomination of Madeira Wine Traditions

We, on behalf of the Associação de Desenvolvimento Comunitário do Funchal, express our support and consent to the inclusion of information about the presentation held at the Várzea Community Centre on the candidacy of Madeira Wine traditions for UNESCO Intangible Cultural Heritage of Humanity.

The Associação de Desenvolvimento Comunitário do Funchal, as a Private Social Solidarity Institution, has the mission of promoting the well-being and social inclusion of vulnerable communities, valuing initiatives that reinforce Madeira's cultural identity and traditions. In this context, on 26 October we hosted a presentation dedicated to the candidacy of Madeira's wine traditions for Intangible Cultural Heritage of Humanity.

Madeira wine, with its rich history and unique production methods, is more than just a drink, it is an icon of our region's identity. Its production is the result of know-how passed down from generation to generation.

During the presentation, topics such as the historical and cultural importance of Madeira wine, artisanal production methods and the economic and social impact of this tradition were discussed. The users of the community centre, most of whom were elderly, were attentive, reflecting the value that this heritage has for the local community.

We therefore give our consent for the name of the association and the content of the activity to be included in the application. We believe that this initiative contributes to the application of Madeira wine traditions to the Representative List of the Intangible Cultural Heritage of Humanity, reinforcing the role of traditions in social cohesion and the valorisation of regional identity.

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