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Direzione per la Salvaguardia Ambientale del Ministero dell'Ambiente e della Tutela del
Territorio e del Mare
Div. III - VIA di infrastrutture opere civili e impianti industriali
Attenzione: Concessione D493 BR-EL e D505 BR-EL
Petroceltic International
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e p.c. : Ministero per i Beni e le Attivita' Culturali
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Gentile rappresentante del Ministero dell'Ambiente
Gentile rappresentante del Ministero delle Attivita' Produttive

I am writing to affirm my strong opposition to all drilling on the coast of Abruzzo. This new project, d505 BR-EL e d493 BR-EL, as proposed by Petroceltic International of Dublin, if approved, would represent just the beginning of a new invasion of the sea along the Abruzzo coastline on the part of any and every company that decides it wants to take advantage of resources that will destroy the beauty of the coastline, loved for centuries by Italians.

As an Italian-American, and the granddaughter of chietesi, I am appalled and angered at what the Ministry is considering approving. To take advantage of the Abruzzese people who love their coastline by allowing foreign oil companies to drill would be a real travesty, and it would continue the power-and-money-hungry attitude so often displayed by large companies who don't care about the precious rights of the Italian people.

I hope very much that the Italian government does not agree with this attitude, and that it will prevent this and every other contract from being approved.

Thank you in advance for your attention.

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