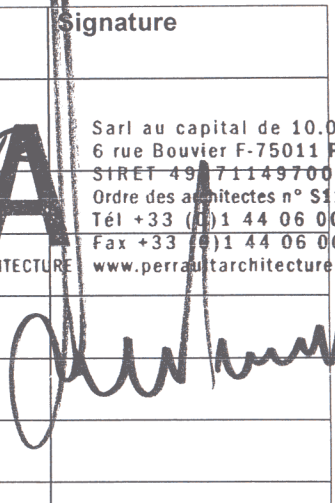


# A petition supporting the National Library project by architect Jan Kaplicky to be built on Letna Plain, Prague

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The winning project of the New National Library by arch. Jan Kaplicky is an exceedingly accomplished architectural work of art, which thanks to its conception, technical and aesthetic quality is suitable for the site that was originally chosen for this building. Thanks to its exceptional aesthetic value the National Library can become the new dominating factor of Prague without negatively influencing the historical part of the city and the cityscape by its position. On the contrary, it could complement and enrich the whole panorama view as well as other prominent remarkable historical and contemporary buildings that had to face up to similar attacks and incompetent critique in the past. We are convinced Prague cannot miss the chance to have such sophisticated building by one of the most important architects of this century, who was also born in Czech Republic. The Library by Jan Kaplicky has won an international competition with unanimous consent of the jury which consisted of deputies of the city, UNESCO and the world leading architects. The site where the building is supposed to stand was approved by the city representatives at the outset of the competition. Not respecting these facts could become an inexcusable mistake. It would be a huge embarrassment if the building didn't stand as proposed as it is already attracting attention around the whole world, for example it was awarded as the winning architectural design at the Summer Exhibition 2007 at the Royal Academy of Arts in London. Without a question it is time to respect many important Czech and international experts' opinions and make it possible for this original architecture to happen on a worthy location of the Letna Plain.

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