Turkmen horses may be included in UNESCO World Heritage List

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Turkmenistan plans to apply to the United Nations Educational, Scientific and Cultural Organization (UNESCO) to include Akhal-Teke horses in the World Heritage List, the Turkmen Dovlet Habarlary state news service reported Mar. 13.

The report says that Turkmenistan’s President Gurbanguly Berdimuhamedov has given instructions to prepare a catalog of the Akhal-Teke horses with the prospect of their international registration.

Turkmenistan created an International Association of Akhal-Teke Breeding (MAAK) with its headquarters in Ashgabat. There are equestrian complexes throughout the country and Turkmenistan annually celebrates the holiday of a Turkmen horse, to which the international beauty contest of Akhal-Teke horses is timed.