## VISOČICA HIII, BOSNIA AND HERZEGOVINA: A MAN MADE PYRAMID VERSUS NATURAL HILL

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Visočica Hill is a prominent topographical and archaeological feature in Visoko city, 20 km due northwest Sarajevo, Bosnia and Herzegovina. This hill, which rises 200 m above the surrounding level is of pyramidal shape, with perfect triangular and well oriented northern face. In 2006 a Bosnian pyramidologist announced that this Hill is a man made pyramid and named it the "Bosnian Pyramid of the Sun". Considering Visočica Hill as a man made pyramid receives irrespective reorganization of the scientific community and particular archeologists. As a result, the topic becomes a matter of argument and heated debate between researchers. Most researchers consider it as a natural hill completely created by geological processes.

The present author deny the possibility that natural processes were responsible of the pyramidal shape of the hill and suggests that Visočica Hill is a natural structure of Miocene age, modified by man to be a pyramid. However, the weakest point against the acceptance of this hill as a man made pyramid is the question: how this pyramid wasn't recognized by previous archaeological studies?

In this regard is worthy mentioning that there are different previous references to Visočica Hill as a man made pyramid. These references may gain from archaeological studies, as well as artist works and native habits. such as:

- 1- The authors of the book entitled: "Visoko I Okolina Kroz Historiju" (published in 1984) refer to human activities that contributed much to the pyramidal shape of the hill and called the settlement on the top of the hill: "City Pyramid".
  - 2- Panting of nearly 100 years old represents the hill as perfect pyramid.
  - 3- Natives referred to the site as "Miser" (the Arabic Name of Egypt).