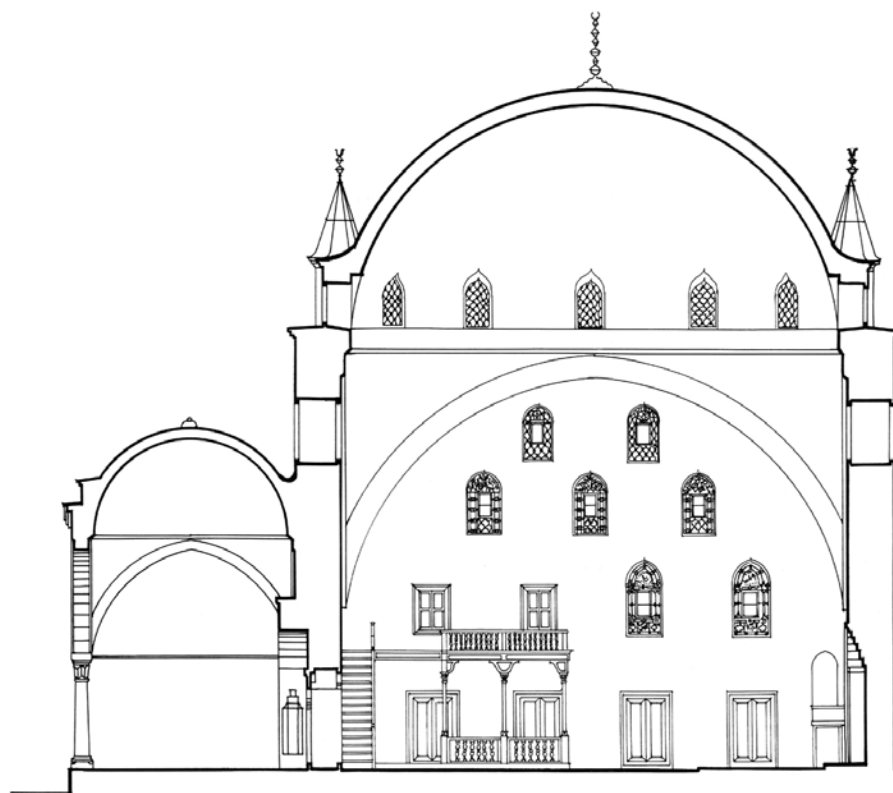
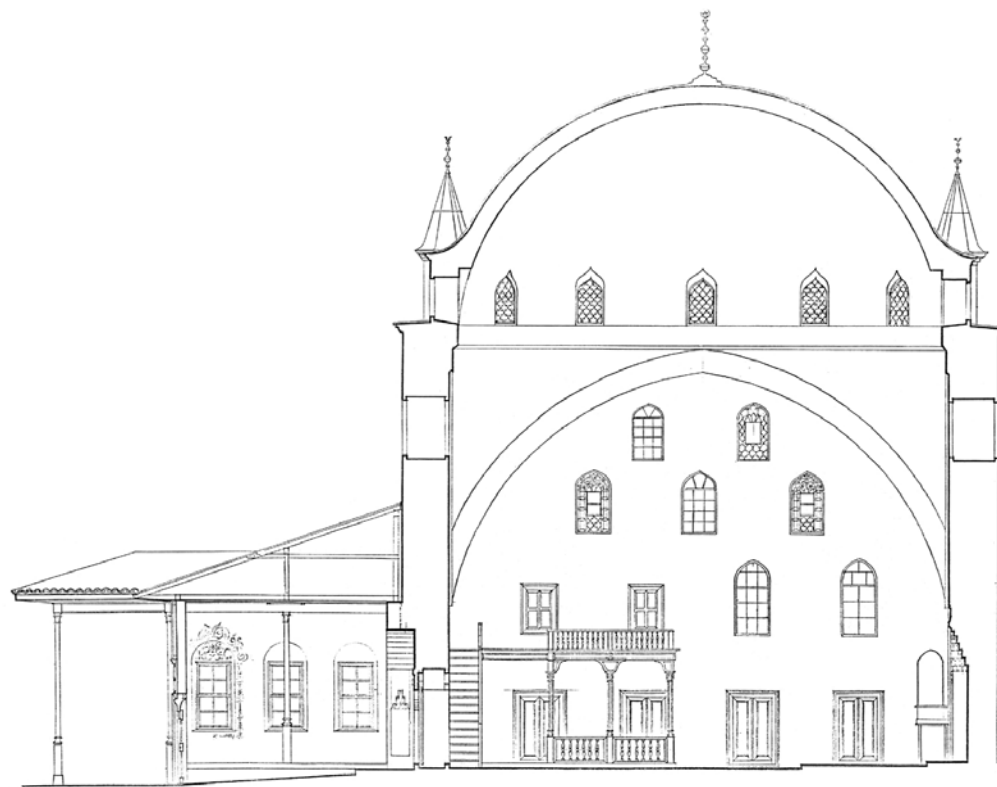


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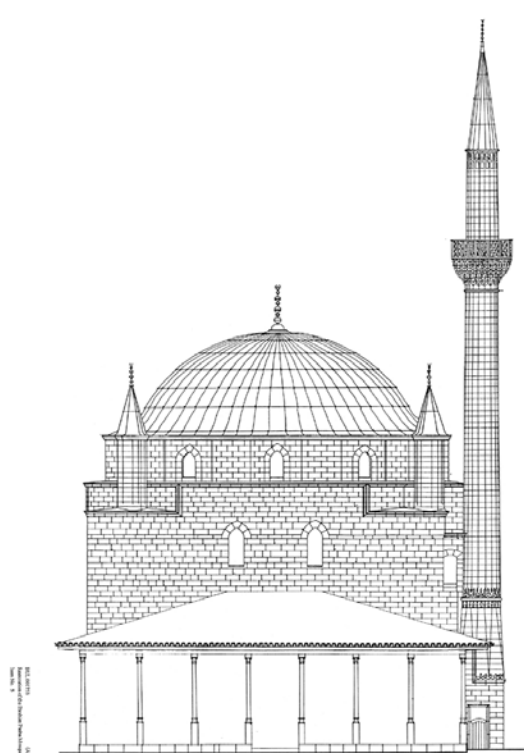


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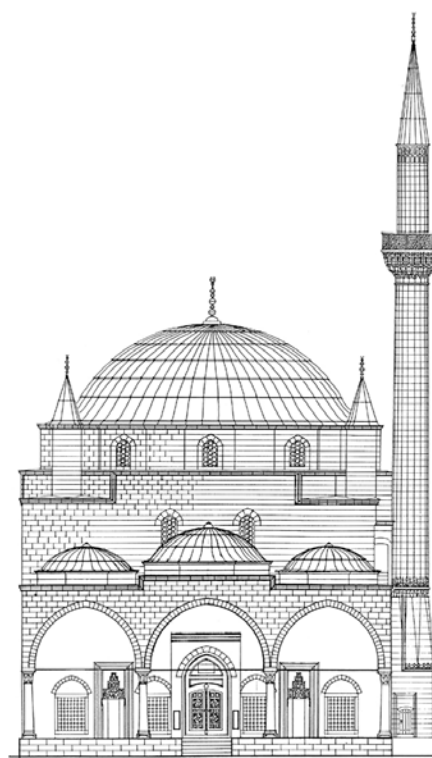
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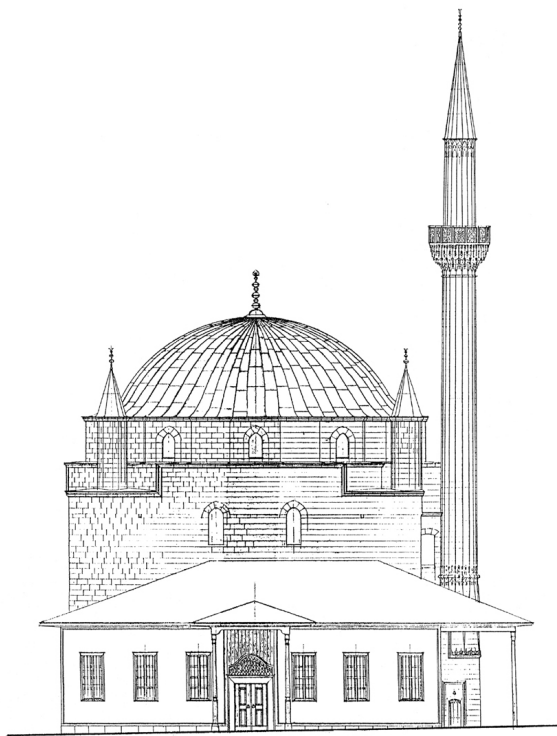


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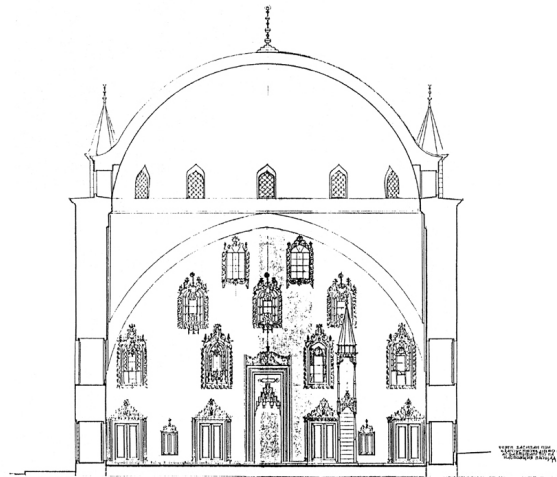


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Architectural drawing of the Ibrahim Pasha Mosque, Razgrad, Bulgaria. The drawing shows the exterior of the mosque, including the main dome, minaret, and entrance. The drawing is a black and white line drawing.



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Conclusion

I think this project should be removed from the nomination process, not because it does not deserve to be nominated but because the restoration has not been completed. Therefore, it cannot be technically reviewed.

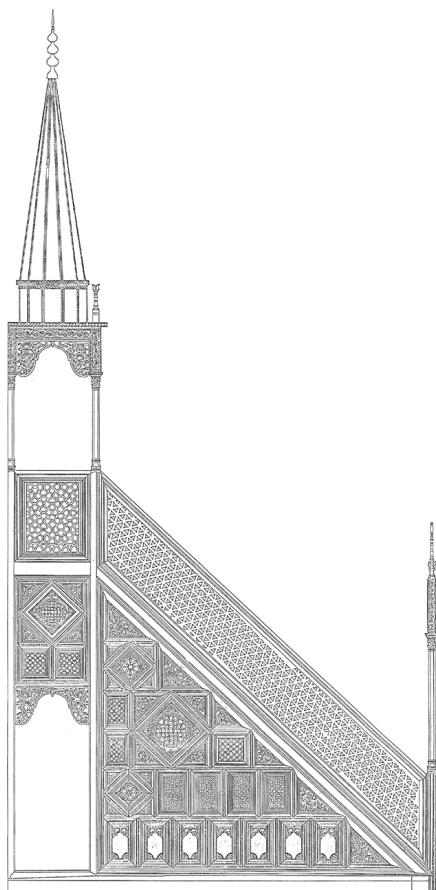
At present, Bulgaria does not have the funds to restore any of its many monuments, in fact, the financial situation in this country seems desperate. It will therefore, be many years before any authority, municipal, or otherwise, has the means to complete the restoration of this mosque. Mr. Ivanov draws up a yearly budget for the mosque, but so far he has received very little encouragement. This year, he has submitted a budget for the completion of the interior of the dome and the restoration of the minaret, but he is not very hopeful about the outcome of his request. It seems pointless to continue restoring the interior of a building when the exterior has not been completed. The Turkish community of this town, which is fairly large, does not contribute. Those who pray use a smaller mosque for that purpose.

All in all, the Ibrahim Pasha Mosque is a sadly abandoned, eerie place. My instinctive reaction was to get out, a bad reaction to have towards a superb monument with wonderful proportions and incredible grace. I felt its desecration. The mouschanov team was surprised that this mosque was nominated since it is unfinished, and the work was not done to the standards of the Restoration Institute in Sofia.

I would recommend that the jury withdraw the Ibrahim Pasha Mosque from the nomination process.

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