

## II. Examination of nominations of natural, mixed and cultural properties to the World Heritage List

### A. CULTURAL PROPERTIES

#### A.1 EUROPE / NORTH AMERICA

##### A.1.1 Minor Modification to the boundaries of a property already inscribed on the World Heritage List

Name of Property	<b>Madriu-Perafita-Claror Valley</b>
Id. N°	<b>1160 Bis</b>
State Party	<b>Andorra</b>
Criteria proposed by State Party	<b>C (v)</b>

At the 29th session of the World Heritage Committee, the State Party reported that the legal decree to protect the cultural landscapes of the property had been published in January 2005 and was open for comment until June 2005. The State Party has now confirmed that the legal process has been taken forward in two stages. In the first stage, a Decree adopted on 19 October 2005 will give protection to the property as a cultural site in the category of cultural landscape. The second Decree adopted on 8 March 2006 sets out the process of defining the limits of the valley, particularly concerning the two municipalities of Encamp and Escaldes-Engordany. As the legal process for defining and protecting the property is close to being completed, work on the management plan needs to be taken forward once a final agreement has been reached.

In inscribing the site on the World Heritage List at its 28th session, the World Heritage Committee asked for confirmation that the buffer zone covered the plateau west of Pic Negre to Camp Ramonet, to give added protection to the Claror Plateau. This recommendation was aimed at ensuring control of the motorized access to the Claror Plateau. The State Party has now addressed this recommendation and has proposed a small extension to the buffer zone which extends the original buffer zones to the south, on the west side of the nominated area, until it meets the international border between Andorra and Spain. This means that the whole of the nominated area within Andorra is protected by a buffer zone. Although the proposed buffer zone does not extend as far south as Camp Ramonet, it covers part of the motorized access to the Claror Plateau. ICOMOS, IUCN and the Centre support this proposed extension to the buffer zone.

IUCN considers that these decrees constitute real progress for the conservation and management of the property and suggests that the State Party move the Camp de Claror plateau from area 2 to area 1 within the zoning of the buffer zone.

#### Draft Decision: 30 COM 8B.59

*The World Heritage Committee,*

1. Having examined Documents WHC-06/30.COM/7B and WHC-06/30.COM/8B Add,

2. Recalling Decision 29 COM 7B.71, adopted at its 29th session (Durban, 2005);
3. Approves the proposed minor extension to the buffer zone of Madriu-Perafita-Claror Valley, Andorra.