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## **World Heritage**

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## **AMENDMENT**

Item of the Agenda	Kathmandu Valley, Nepal
Amended Draft Decision	43 COM 7B.70
Amendment submitted by the Delegation of	Australia, Norway, Hungary
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## **TEXT**

**Draft Decision: 43 COM 7B.70**The World Heritage Committee,

- 1. Having examined Document WHC/19/43.COM/7B,
- 2. Recalling Decision 42 COM 7B.12, adopted at its 42nd session (Manama, 2018) and also recalling COM 7B.12 and 41 COM 7B.95,
- 3. Acknowledges the ongoing commitment of the State Party and of national and international organizations towards the recovery of the property, through the implementation of the Recovery Master Plan (RMP), as well as through repair and conservation works already undertaken;
- 4. Reiterates its requests that the State Party integrate the RMP within an overall socioeconomic revitalization programme for urban communities, encourage residents and local business to engage in the recovery process, and ensure that it delivers wide-ranging social and economic benefits;
- 5. Notes again the scale and scope of the 2015 earthquake disaster, as described in the reports of the 2015 and 2017 joint World Heritage Centre/ICOMOS/ICCROM Reactive Monitoring missions to the property, and expresses concern at the serious deterioration of the property's architectural and town-planning coherence;
- 6. Encourages the State Party to seek further technical support from the World Heritage Centre and the Advisory Bodies in order to coordinate and guide the recovery of the property, based on documentation, research, analyses and the use of appropriate traditional methods and materials;
- 76. Considers that the potential and ascertained threats to the Outstanding Universal Value (OUV) of the property are so considerable that the recovery process needs to be further improved and hastened and requests the State Party to that the recovery process needs to be further improved:

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- a) Initiate with technical support from and in on-going dialogue with, and therefore also encourages again the State Party to initiate, with technical support from the World Heritage Centre and the Advisory Bodies, an International Scientific Steering Coordination Mechanism tasked with assisting with the development of structures and resources to guide the recovery of the property and its OUV, while balancing social and economic community needs;
- <u>8. Requests that the State Party invite</u> a joint World Heritage Centre/ICOMOS/ICCROM Reactive Monitoring mission to assess the state of conservation of the property, to review progress with the implementation of the recommendations of the October 2015 and March 2017 missions, to assist with the development of a strategy for the implementation of the six-year RMP, and to provide guidance on its review;
- c) Seek further technical support from the World Heritage Centre and Advisory
  Bodies in order to coordinate and guide the recovery of the property, based on
  documentaiton, research, analyses and use of appropriate traditional methods
  and materials; and
- b)d) Ensure all recommendations and outcomes of the above are fully integrated within the 6 year RMP.
- **87**. Also requests the State Party to implement fully the recommendations of the ICOMOS Technical Review of the Patan Durbar Square Monument Zone sewer project;
- 98. Also considers that the potential and ascertained threats to the Outstanding Universal Value (OUV) of the property, notably the threats to authenticity through inappropriate reconstruction and conservation methods are so considerable and decides therefore, in conformity with Paragraph 179 of the Operational Guidelines, to inscribe Kathmandu Valley (Nepal) on the List of World Heritage in Danger;
- 429. Further requests the State Party to prepare, in consultation with the World Heritage Centre and the Advisory Bodies, a proposal for the Desired state of conservation for the removal of the property from the List of World Heritage in Danger (DSOCR) and a set of corrective measures along with a timeframe for their implementation, for adoption by the Committee at its 44th session in 2020;
- 4310. Calls upon the international community to continue supporting the State Party's recovery work through financial, technical or expert assistance, including support for local communities and their housing and social needs;
- 4411. Finally requests the State Party to submit to the World Heritage Centre, by **1 February 2020**, an updated report on the state of conservation of the property and the implementation of the above, for examination by the World Heritage Committee at its 44th session in 2020.