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Item 8 of the Provisional Agenda: Establishment of the World Heritage List and the List of World Heritage in Danger

8C. Update of the List of World Heritage in Danger

SUMMARY

Following the examination of Items 7A and 7B (State of conservation reports) and 8B (Nominations), the Committee is asked to confirm decisions to inscribe, maintain or remove properties from the List of World Heritage in Danger.

This document also contains statistical data concerning decisions taken on nominations and the State of Conservation of properties inscribed on the List.

Draft Decisions: 44 COM 8C.1, 44 COM 8C.2, 44 COM 8C.3, 44 COM 8C.4
Update of the World Heritage List and of the List of World Heritage in Danger

The World Heritage Committee at its extended 44th session (Fuzhou (China) / Online meeting, 16-31 July 2021) inscribed 34 new properties on the World Heritage List, 5 natural and 29 cultural, and approved the extension of 3 property already inscribed on the List. Among the successful nominations, there are 6 new cultural landscapes and with these additions we have now 118 properties officially recognized as such on the World Heritage List which represents 10.2% of the List.

Breakdown by region of the new 34 properties inscribed at the extended 44th session:

- Africa: 2 properties
- Arab States: 2 properties
- Asia-Pacific: 9 properties
- Europe/North-America: 17 properties
- Latin America/Caribbean: 4 properties

Out of the 37 successful nominations, 7 (that is 18.9%) are situated on the territory of current World Heritage Committee members. Following the debates on Item 8B, in addition to the new inscriptions and the adopted extensions, 1 nomination was referred and the examination of 1 nomination was adjourned sine die. At this session, in 15 cases, 93.8% of the Advisory Bodies recommendations¹ the World Heritage Committee did not follow the Advisory Bodies’ recommendation which was presented in the Draft Decision.

- 8 Referrals became Inscriptions
- 7 Deferrals became Inscriptions

As a result of the decisions relating to the State of Conservation of properties inscribed on the List and the decisions on nominations of properties to the World Heritage List, at this session, the Committee decided to inscribe 1 property on the List of World Heritage in Danger:

- Romania, Roșia Montană Mining Landscape

Furthermore, 1 property was removed from the List of World Heritage in Danger:

- Democratic Republic of the Congo, Salonga National Park

Additionally, 1 property was deleted from the World Heritage List and consequently removed from the List of World Heritage in Danger:

- United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland, Liverpool – Maritime Mercantile City

According to these decisions, there are now 52 properties inscribed on the List of World Heritage in Danger.

¹ For the purpose of this statistic, nominations recommended for inscription or extensions recommended for approval (22 out of 39 nominations to be examined) were not considered, as it is assumed that the Committee customarily inscribes properties which are recommended for inscription and approves extensions that are recommended for approval.
At this session, in 9 cases, the World Heritage Committee did not follow the recommendation presented in the Draft Decisions relating to the List of World Heritage in Danger.

- 1 property recommended to be retained on the World Heritage List in Danger was removed from it.
- 7 properties recommended to be inscribed on the List of World Heritage in Danger were not inscribed on it.
- 1 property recommended to be deleted from the World Heritage List was not deleted from it.

The new overall figures of the World Heritage List are now 1154 properties of which 897 are cultural, 218 natural and 39 mixed.
Draft Decision: 44 COM 8C.1

The World Heritage Committee,

1. Having examined the state of conservation reports of properties inscribed on the World Heritage List (WHC/21/44.COM/7B, WHC/21/44.COM/7B.Add, WHC/21/44.COM/7B.Corr and WHC/21/44.COM/7B.Add.2) and the proposals for inscription of properties on the World Heritage List (WHC/21/44.COM/8B and WHC/21/44.COM/8B.Add),

2. Decides to **inscribe** the following property on the List of World Heritage in Danger:

   • Romania, Roșia Montană Mining Landscape (Decision 44 COM 8B.26)

Draft Decision: 44 COM 8C.2

The World Heritage Committee,

1. Having examined the state of conservation reports of properties inscribed on the List of World Heritage in Danger (WHC/21/44.COM/7A, WHC/21/44.COM/7A.Add, WHC/21/44.COM/7A.Add.2, WHC/21/44.COM/7A.Add.2.Add),

2. Decides to **retain** the following properties on the List of World Heritage in Danger:

   • Afghanistan, Cultural Landscape and Archaeological Remains of the Bamiyan Valley (Decision 44 COM 7A.28)
   • Afghanistan, Minaret and Archaeological Remains of Jam (Decision 44 COM 7A.29)
   • Austria, Historic Centre of Vienna (Decision 44 COM 7A.32)
   • Bolívia (Plurinational State of), City of Potosí (Decision 44 COM 7A.35)
   • Central African Republic, Manovo-Gounda St Floris National Park (Decision 44 COM 7A.39)
   • Côte d'Ivoire / Guinea, Mount Nimba Strict Nature Reserve (Decision 44 COM 7A.40)
   • Democratic Republic of the Congo, Garamba National Park (Decision 44 COM 7A.41)
   • Democratic Republic of the Congo, Kahuzi-Biega National Park (Decision 44 COM 7A.42)
   • Democratic Republic of the Congo, Okapi Wildlife Reserve (Decision 44 COM 7A.43)
   • Democratic Republic of the Congo, Virunga National Park (Decision 44 COM 7A.45)
   • Egypt, Abu Mena (Decision 44 COM 7A.5)
   • Honduras, Río Plátano Biosphere Reserve (Decision 44 COM 7A.55)
   • Indonesia, Tropical Rainforest Heritage of Sumatra (Decision 44 COM 7A.52)
- Iraq, Ashur (Qal’at Sherqat) (Decision 44 COM 7A.6)
- Iraq, Hatra (Decision 44 COM 7A.7)
- Iraq, Samarra Archaeological City (Decision 44 COM 7A.8)
- Old City of Jerusalem and its Walls (site proposed by Jordan) (Decision 44 COM 7A.10)
- Kenya, Lake Turkana National Parks (Decision 44 COM 7A.47)
- Libya, Archaeological Site of Cyrene (Decision 44 COM 7A.11)
- Libya, Archaeological Site of Leptis Magna (Decision 44 COM 7A.12)
- Libya, Archaeological Site of Sabratha (Decision 44 COM 7A.13)
- Libya, Old Town of Ghadamès (Decision 44 COM 7A.14)
- Libya, Rock-Art Sites of Tadrart Acacus (Decision 44 COM 7A.15)
- Madagascar, Rainforests of the Atsinanana (Decision 44 COM 7A.48)
- Mali, Old Towns of Djenné (Decision 44 COM 7A.1)
- Mali, Timbuktu (Decision 44 COM 7A.2)
- Mali, Tomb of Askia (Decision 44 COM 7A.3)
- Mexico, Islands and Protected Areas of the Gulf of California (Decision 44 COM 7B.56)
- Micronesia (Federated States of), Nan Madol: Ceremonial Centre of Eastern Micronesia (Decision 44 COM 7A.30)
- Niger, Aïr and Ténéré Natural Reserves (Decision 44 COM 7A.49)
- Palestine, Palestine: Land of Olives and Vines – Cultural Landscape of Southern Jerusalem, Battir (Decision 44 COM 7A.17)
- Palestine, Hebron/Al-Khalil Old Town (Decision 44 COM 7A.16)
- Panama, Fortifications on the Caribbean Side of Panama: Portobelo-San Lorenzo (Decision 44 COM 7A.36)
- Peru, Chan Chan Archaeological Zone (Decision 44 COM 7A.37)
- Senegal, Niokolo-Koba National Park (Decision 44 COM 7A.50)
- Serbia, Medieval Monuments in Kosovo (Decision 44 COM 7A.33)
- Solomon Islands, East Rennell (Decision 44 COM 7A.53)
- Syrian Arab Republic, Ancient City of Aleppo (Decision 44 COM 7A.18)
- Syrian Arab Republic, Ancient City of Bosra (Decision 44 COM 7A.19)
- Syrian Arab Republic, Ancient City of Damascus (Decision 44 COM 7A.20)
- Syrian Arab Republic, Ancient Villages of Northern Syria (Decision 44 COM 7A.21)
- Syrian Arab Republic, Crac des Chevaliers and Qal’at Salah El-Din (Decision 44 COM 7A.22)
- Syrian Arab Republic, Site of Palmyra (Decision 44 COM 7A.23)
- Uganda, Tombs of Buganda Kings at Kasubi (Decision 44 COM 7A.4)
- United Republic of Tanzania, Selous Game Reserve (Decision 44 COM 7A.51)
- United States of America, Everglades National Park (Decision 44 COM 7A.54)
- Uzbekistan, Historic Centre of Shakhrisyabz (Decision 44 COM 7A.31)
- Venezuela (Bolivarian Republic of), Coro and its Port (Decision 44 COM 7A.38)
- Yemen, Historic Town of Zabid (Decision 44 COM 7A.25)
- Yemen, Old City of Sana’a (Decision 44 COM 7A.26)
- Yemen, Old Walled City of Shibam (Decision 44 COM 7A.27)

**Draft Decision: 44 COM 8C.3**

The World Heritage Committee,

1. Having examined the state of conservation reports of properties inscribed on the List of World Heritage in Danger (WHC/21/44.COM/7A, WHC/21/44.COM/7A.Add, WHC/21/44.COM/7A.Add.2, WHC/21/44.COM/7A.Add.2.Add),

2. Decides to remove the following property from the List of World Heritage in Danger:
   - Democratic Republic of the Congo, Salonga National Park (Decision 44 COM 7A.44)

**Draft Decision: 44 COM 8C.4**

The World Heritage Committee,

1. Having examined the state of conservation reports of properties inscribed on the List of World Heritage in Danger (WHC/21/44.COM/7A, WHC/21/44.COM/7A.Add, WHC/21/44.COM/7A.Add.2, WHC/21/44.COM/7A.Add.2.Add),

2. Decides to remove from the List of World Heritage in Danger and to delete from the World Heritage List the following property:
   - United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland, Liverpool – Maritime Mercantile City (Decision 44 COM 7A.34)