II.1. Introduction

| а | State Party | Great Socialist Peoples'Libyan Arab | 001 | |
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| | | Jamahiriya . | 1 | |
| b | Indicate the name of the property as inscribed on the World Heritage List | Name of the property Archaeologival site of Cyrene . | 002 | |
| | | | 003 | |
| С | Indicate the geographical co- ordinates to the nearest second | Localisation: Latitude: 32°49'30 N Longitude: 21°51'30 E | | |
| | | | 004 | |
| d | Date of inscription on the World Heritage List | 17.12.1982 | | |
| е | Organisation(s) or entity(ies) responsible for the preparation of this report. Give the necessary details to enable possible contact. | Organisation: Cyerene Superintendence of Arch Person responsible: Abdelghader Said Abdelghader Address: City and post code: Telephone: 0851 22117 / 084634878 | 1 1 | egy• |
| | | Telephone: 0001 22117 / 004034070 Fax: E-mail: | 800 | |
| Ц | | | 009 | |
| f | Date of the report | 25.7.2000 | | |
| g | Signature on behalf of the State | Surname and given name: Abdelghader Said Abdel |] } | |
| | AHI | Function: Superintendent of Cyrene Supernt | en a ric | e of |

II.2. Statement of significance

II.2.1.Information provided at the time of inscription

| a | At the time of Inscription of a property on the World Heritage List, the World Heritage Committee Indicates Its World Heritage values by deciding on the criteria for Inscription. Please Indicate the justification for Inscription provided by the State Party, | Justification for the inscription provided by the State Party Look at the attached papers. | 008 |
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| b | as well as the criteria according to which the Committee inscribed the property on the World Heritage List. Circle the numbers of the relative criteria. | Criteria retained for the inscription: Cultural criteria: i -(ii)(iii)- iv - v -(vi) Natural criteria: i - ii - iii - iv | 010 |
| С | Observations made by the advisory body during evaluation | | 011 |
| d | Observations made by the World Heritage Committee at the time of inscription | Pleasure and satisfiction | 012 |
| е | Reactions to these observations | Pleasure and satisfiction | 013 |

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SITE NAME ("TITLE") Archaeological Site of Cyrene

DATE OF INSCRIPTION ("SUBJECT") 17/12/1982

STATE PARTY ("AUTHOR") LIBYAN ARAB JAMAHIRIYA

CRITERIA ("KEY WORDS") C (ii)(iii)(vi)

DECISION OF THE WORLD HERITAGE COMMITTEE:

The Committee made no statement

BRIEF DESCRIPTION:

A colony of the Greeks of Thera, Cyrene was one of the principal cities in the Hellenic world. It was Romanized, and remained a great capital until the earthquake of 365. A thousand years of history is written in its ruins, famous since the 18th century.

1.b. State, province or region: District of Ghebel Akhdar

1.d Exact location: Lat. 32°49'30" N; Long. 21°51'30" E

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NOMINATION TO THE WORLD HERITAGE LIST SUBMITTED BY THE LIBYAN ARAB JAMAHIRIYA

Archaeological Site of Cyrene

| 1. Specific location a) Country | LIBYAN ARAB JAMAHIRIYA |
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| b)State, Province or Region | DIUTRICT OF GEREL AKHDAR |
| c) Name of property | Archeological site of Cyrene, ancient city and surrounding monumental cemeteries |
| dy Exact location on map and indication of geographical co-ordinates | Ancient Cyrene (Shahat)lies at the edge of the scarp the Gebel Akhdar overlooking the Mediterranean Sea and Apollonia (Susa) Lat. 32°49'30" N. Long. 21°51'30" E. |
| 2. Juridical data a) Owner | Public property under the care of the Department of Antiquities |
| b) Legal status | State property |
| c) Responsible administration | The Department of Antiquities. |

3. Identification

a) Description and Inventory

The Ancient City of Cyrene and its Cemeteries.

Cyrene lies about 600 metres above sea level and it measures roughly 700 x 350 metres. It can be divided into the following zones:

- 1. The Sanctuary of Apollo, where the road from Apollonia arrives at the plateau
- 2. The Acropolis
- 3. The adjoining areas of the <u>Greek Agora and</u> the Roman Forum
- 4. The Valley Street, crossing the site from north west to south east
- 5. The North-Eastern Suburb

Of these zones, (1) has been largely explored and restored though many problems remain; (2) little work has been done on the Acropolis; (3) the Agora-Forum area has been the site of important excavations; (4) the Valley Street, partially dug; (5) contains the Temple of Zeus which has been carefully studied and is in progress of restoration.

The lines of successive city walls, Greek, Hellenistic, Roman and Byzantine have been traced and parts of some of the gates and towers remain.

A summary list may be given of the chief monuments:

1. Sanctuary - The sacred spring was led through a 300 metre tunnel to the sacred enclosure where the ancient Pountain was constructed. Thence steps led down to the Temple of Apollo begun by the early settlers of the seventh-sixth centuries B.C. Remains of this temple are to be seen and traces of its fifth century successor but the longest lived of the series was the fourth century temple whose colonnade is one of the chief features of the site. This temple was destroyed in the Jewish rebellion of A.D. 115, and then rebuilt. Its final destruction came in the earthquake of A.D. 365.

In front of the temple is the Great Altar of Apollo which dates from at least the fourth century B.C.

Other temples and fountains surround the central buildings. They include the Temple of Artemis (seventh to sixth century B.C.), others to Hecate (2nd Century A.D.) and Isis, and a temple and fountain to the nymph Kurana from whom the name Cyrene is derived.

Her monuments include sculptured reliefs of the nymph strangling a lion while the goddess Libya holds a laurel wreath above her head. Trajan built imposing baths at the south-east end of the Sanctuary while on the north-east end were a Greek theatre and later a Roman amphitheatre.

2. The Acropolis (see above).

3. The Agora-Forum - Has revealed many notable monuments. Nearest the Acropolis was the Greek Agora (market place) where a monument with a circular tower is said to be the Tomb of Battus, the King who founded Cyrene, an identification which is probably correct. A near-by temple of Demeter is believed to be one of the earliest foundations in the whole city, though what is visible now is mainly Hellenistic.

East of it is a Hellenistic naval monument in the form of a trireme prow on which probably stood a Victory. Neighbouring buildings include the Roman Capitolium, official temple of Jupiter, Juno and Minerva and among the excavated buildings is the Record Office identified by the find of a number of seals which marked the archives. Some ancient houses and their mosaics survive. Also a Hellenistic theatre, and another of the min Roman period. The eastern end of the zone is adorned by a Roman Forum, the Caesareum or Forum of Proculus (late 1st century B.C.) with a fine colonnade. On the north side of this the Basilica. This complex was excavated and restored in the nineteen-thirties. The Caesareum and neighbouring buildings were later converted into a Byzantine fortress.

South from this quarter is the deep wadi Belgadir with a second Temple of Demeter, recently excavated by the University of Michigan.

- 4. Valley Street Further excavations have recently been conducted in the Valley Street where a new city centre developed in the second-third centuries A.D. with several interesting sites, including official monuments of the Emperors. Turning down the steep street various buildings of many periods have left traces and on the steep slopes of the hill leading towards the Sanctuary is a curious group of subterranean baths, known as the Greek Baths. The baths are each separate, look like sitz-baths, and were filled up perhaps in late Hellenistic times when the road down the valley was built.
- 5. There are still many buildings awaiting excavation. The only fully excavated building in this zone is the great temple of Zeus, the largest Greek temple in North Africa.

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II.5. Factors affecting the property

II.5.1.Degree to which the property is threatened

| | | Development pressures: | 000 |
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| а | Please comment on the degree to which the property is threatened by particular problems and risks. Factors that could be considered | Visual integrity: Sites | |
| | under this item are those that are listed in the nomination format, e.g. development pressures, | Waste and refuse Constructions Buildings Badly integrated infrastructures | |
| | | Illegal grazing and overgrazing Wood cutting and clearing | |
| | | Structural integrity: | |
| | | Roads Dams | |
| | | Mines Water pollution (type, source, scope, consequences, cost) | |
| | | Air pollution (type, source, scope, consequences, cost) Earth pollution (type, source, scope, consequences, | |
| | | cost) Disappearance or significant reduction of animal or Vegetal species | |
| | | Functional integrity: | |
| | | Conservation of biological productivity Conservation of diversity Functioning of the cycles (water, etc.) | |
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d) History

The city was founded about 630 B.C. by Greeks from Thera (Santorini) where the water supply was failing. The Oracle of Apollo of Delphi advised them to go to Libya. Some Libyans led them to the hill of Cyrene with its inexhaustible spring, and Battus the leader of the emigrants founded the city which his family ruled until a republic replaced their kingdom in the fifth century and a group of five cities, the Pentapolis, had been built along the coast. After the death of Alexander the Great the Ptolemaic Kings of Egypt ruled Cyrene but a Cyrenean Kingdom, allied to the Ptolemies, established itself and delayed the approach of the Romans, but in B.C. 96 the Senate acquired Cyrene and created a province. was taken over by Augustus after the defeat of Antony and Cleopatra and Cyrene remained the capital of the Pentapolis until the late fourth century A.D. by which time the Empire had been broken into two parts. Cyrenaica was now administered from Constantinople (Istanbul) and Ptolemais became capital of the Province. Despite its poverty Cyrene remained one of the chief cities in north-east Libya until the arrival of the Arabs in A.D. 643. It had existed as a city for 1200 years.

e)Bibliography

P.Romanelli, La Cirenaica Romana (1943), Rome R.G.Goodchild, Kyrene und Apollonia (1971), Basel S.Stucchi, Architettura Cirenaica (1975) Libya There is a short illustrated guidebook "Cyrene and Apollonia, an historical guide" by R.G. Goodchild, Libya, (3rd ed. 1963)

f.) Museums etc.

Cyrene is provided with Museums and a good Library. The harvest of sculpture, ceramics and other treasures on display is outstanding. The earthquakes from which Cyrene suffered did great damage to the stones but they enabled a great many of the statues to escape later damage at the hand of man because they were deeply buried in the debris and thus preserved.

Cyrene like other Mediterranean ruins suffered in some degree from the European passions for ancient works of art and many moveable antiquities were carried away openly or clandestinely in the 18th and 19th centuries and there have been other losses such as the headless Aphrodite now in Italy and the Cyrene fountain with goddess, nymph and lion, which was taken by archaeologists to the British Museum in 1861.

4. State of preservation/conservation

a) Diagnosis

The local stone does not weather well and needs constant maintenance.

b) Agent responsible for preservation/ conservation

The Department of Antiquities

c) History of preservation/ conservation The Department of Antiquities has been responsible for some restoration.

Some work of conservation, especially of mosaics was carried out with UNESCO help in the sixties and seventies; and an Italian mission under Professor S.Stucchi has worked on several monuments.

d) Means for preservation/conservation

The Antiquities Law No.40 (1968) administered by the Department of Antiquities, financed by the Department of Antiquities.

e) Management plans

The Department of Antiquities has been entrusted with the protection of the site which includes maintenance plans for site museums etc.

5. Justification for inclusion in the World Heritage List

Cyrene is a site of great natural beauty as well as of historical and cultural interest. The Libyan Government and its advisers have been aware of this and with the support of the Agricultural and Forestry authorities have been building up the woodlands and the cultivated territory of this favoured corner of the Gebel Akhdar.

Cyrene covers the 1200 years of classical antiquity and has left a wealth of buildings and artifacts of this long period from which the history of Libya may be worthily studied. Behind the classical period stretch the long centuries of the prehistoric past where man has left traces of occupation going back another 40,000 years.

The great prehistoric cave of Hawa Fteah opens under the coastal escarpment 8 kilometres east of Susa and a series of stratified deposits reaches right up to the threshold of the Neolithic.

All lovers of natural beauty, of the sciences of geology, geography and archaeology and of the history and achievements of mankind will hope that Cyrene will be preserved for to-day and future generations to enjoy.

Signed (on behalf of State Farty) Shirtown

Full name DR.ABDULIAH SHAIBOUB

Title PRESIDENT OF THE DEFT OF ANTIQUITIES

Date 17/12/1981

Documentation supporting the nomination of Cyrene

The maps, photographs and other documentation listed below, which have been submitted in support of the nomination, can be examined in the Division of Cultural Heritage at Unesco, and will be available for for consultation at the meetings of the Bureau of the World Heritage Committee and of the Committee itself:

- Cyrene key plan; reference American Maps (1964), Susah Sheet 3690 I: scale 1: 50,000;
- General plan of Cyrene (photograph);
- Map of Roman Libya East Sheet (Cyrenaica), published by The Society of Antiquaries of London (1954);
- Map of Cyrenaica (photograph);
- Cyrene and Apollonia, a historical guide, 3rd edition;
- Black and white photographs as per list given in section 3(c) of the nomination form.

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LISTE DU PATRIMOINE MONDIAL

N° · · 190 WORLD HERITAGE LIST

| A) IDENTIFICATION | A) IDENTIFICATION |
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| Bien proposé : Site archéologique de Cyrène | Nomination: Archaeological site of Cyrene |
| <u>Lieu</u> : district du Djebel Akhdar | <u>Location</u> : District of Gebel Akhdar |
| Stat partie : Jamahirya Arabe Libyenne | State party : Libyan Arab Jamahiriya |
| Date: 21 Décembre 1981 | Date : December 21, 1981 |
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| B) RECOMMANDATION DE L'ICOMOS | B) ICOMOS RECOMMENDATION |
| Que le bien culturel proposé soit inscri- sur la Liste du Patrimoine Mondial. | That the proposed cultural property be inscribed on the World Heritage List. |
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| C) JUSTIFICATION | C) JUSTIFICATION |

La colonie de Cyrène fut fondée au VIIe iècle, dans une zone où l'influence carnaginoise était prépondérante, par des Grecs de Théra (Santorin) guidés par Battos. Carthaginian influence was preponderant. De 631 (date traditionnelle de sa fondation) à 440 Av.J.C., ce comptoir situé à l'intérieur des terres fut dominé par la dynastie des Battiades. A ce royaume succé-back from the sea, was dominated by the da pendant un peu moins d'un siècle (430-331) un régime démocratique; la ville se soumit ensuite spontanément à Alexandre le Grand et, à sa mort, fut annexée au royaume des Lagides. Un des derniers descendants submitted itself to the rule of Alexander de la lignée fondée par Bérénice et Ptolémée III Evergète la légua, en 96 Av.J.C., au peuple romain.

Erigée en province romaine en 74 Av.J.C. la Cyrénalque connut diverses fortunes dans l'empire : donnée par Antoine à Cléopatre Séléné, unie à la Crète par Auguste, qui imposa la date de la bataille d'Actium (34 Av.J.C.) comme début d'une nouvelle ère, séparée de la Crète et unie

The colony of Cyrene was founded in the 4th century b.c. by Greeks of Thera (Santorini) guided by Battos, within a zone where From 631 b.c. (the traditionally accepted date of its foundation) to 440 b.c., this trading centre, situated in the interior, dynasty of the Battiadae. Within little less than a century (430-331), this kingdom was succeeded by a democratic regime; following this, the city spontaneously the Gheat and, at his death, was annexed to the kingdom of the Lagids . One of the last of the line of descendants of Berenice and Ptolemy III Euergetes bequeathed it to the Roman people in 96 b.c.

Established as a Roman province in 74 b.c. Cyrenaica shared in the fortunes of the Empire and, as such, never ceased to play a preponderant role in the Mediterranean world: it was given by Marc Anthony to

à l'Egypte par la réforme de Dioclétien en 305, elle ne cessa pas de jouer un rôle prépondérant dans le monde méditerranéen. La capitale, reconstruite au Ier siècle Ap.J.C., endommagée par l'insurrection des Juifs en 116, fut entièrement rebâtie à partir du règne de Hadrien. Son déclin ne s'amorça qu'avec le tremblement de terre et le raz-de-marée de 365, une des grandes catastrophes de l'histoire: Ammien Marcellin la trouve

Décrite par tous les géographes, d'Hérodote à Sinesius, chantée par Pindare et Callimaque, Cyrène n'est pas seulement l'une des cités du monde méditerranéen où se sont cristallisés, pendant plus d'un millénaire, les mythes, la légende et l'histoire, mais l'un des ensembles les plus impressionnants de ruines du monde entier.

Au nord, le téménos d'Apollon regroupe, autour de la fontaine sacrée célébrée par Pindare, Hérodote et Callimaque, les temples d'Apollon (VITe au IVe siècle Av.J.C) of Apollo, the sacred fountain celebrated et d'Artémis (VII-VIe siècle), les sacella de Perséphone, Hadès et Hécate, des monuments votifs, des trésors. Cette zone 4 th century b.c.) and Artemis (7th-6th cultuelle a été complétée, à l'époque romaine, par des bâtiments colossaux, dont les plus importants sont les thermes de Trajan, restaurés au IIe siècle. A l'ouest, le théâtre grec a été transformé en amphithéatre par les Romains.

Au sud-ouest, l'Acropole, dont l'exploration a été longtemps retardée par l'importance stratégique du site, constitue une immense réserve archéologique.

Au sud-est, l'Agora et le Forum romain, bien conservés, étaient le centre de la vie civile, à 500m environ du téménos d'Apollon. Le secteur est surtout caractérisé par la coexistence des formes de l'urbanisme grec et de l'urbanisme romain dans un ensemble unifié de proportions très amples : Bouleutérion et Capitole, Agora et Forum, Nomophylakion (dépôt des archives publiques) etc. voisinent avec de nombreux hérôa, dont le plus célèbre est celui de Battos.C'est le centre urbain d'une cité idéale, fière de son passé, consciente de la continuité de son histoire et tournée vers l'avenir.

Le site archéologique de Cyrène ne se borne pas à ces 3 complexes monumentaux,

Cleopatra, united with Crete by Augustus, who decreed the date of the battle of Actium (34 b.c.) as the beginning of a new era, and then, separated from Crete by Diocletian in a reform of 305 which united it with Egypt. Its capital, which was reconstructed in the 1st century a.d. and damaged during the insurrection of the Jews in 116, was entirely rebuilt from the reign of Hadrian. Its decline did not begin until the earthquake and tidal wave of 365, one of the great catastrophes of history; Ammianus Marcellinus found it deserted.

Cyrene, which was described by geographers from Herodotus to Synesius, its praises sung by Pindar and Callimathus, is not only one of the cities of the Mediterranean world around which myths, legends and stories have been woven over more than a thousand years, but it is also one of the most impressive ruin complexes in the entire world.

To the north, the sanctuary and fountain by Pindar, Herodotus and Callimachus, regroups the temples of Apollo (7th to century b.c.), the sacella of Persiphone, Hades and Hecate, votive monuments and treasuries. This cultic zone was completed, during the Roman period, by extremely large buildings of which the most important are the baths of Trajan, restored in the 2nd century, To the west, the Greek theatre was transformed into an amphitheatre by the Romans.

To the south-west, the Acropolis constitutes an immense archaeological reserve, whose exploration has been postponed for some time owing to the strategic nature of the site.

To the south-east, about 500m from the sanctuary of Apollo, the Agora and the Roman Forum, which are well preserved, formed the centre of civic life. This sector is characterized by the co-existence of both Greek and Roman forms of urban planning within a unified whole of very ample proportions: the Bouleuterion and Capitolium, Agora and Forum, Nomophylakion (Public Aurchives depository) etc. are placed side by side with heroar, of which the most well-known is that of Battus. It is the urban centre of the ideal city;

le sanctuaire d'Apollon, l'Acropole et l'Agora. Les fouilles ont revélé tout l'intérêt du faubourg nord-est, où les ruines grandioses de l'immense temple de Zeus dominent tout un quartier grec, restauré à l'époque augustienne et habité jusqu'à la fin de l'histoire de Cyrène.

D'autre part, Cyrène conserve un ensemble de nécropoles qui compte parmi les plus vastes et les plus différenciées du monde antique.

L'ICOMOS recommande l'inscription du site de Cyrène sur la Liste du Patrimoine Mondial au titre des critères II, III et VI et souligne que cette capitale a exercé une influence considérable non seulement au cours de l'Antiquité, mais aussi au cours de la période moderne et contemporaine. La découverte de ses ruines par Claude Lemaire en 1705-1706 est une date significative dans l'histoire du néoclassicisme. Notre connaissance de la sculpture hellénistique est étroitement tributaire des trouvailles faites sur le site de Cyrène au cours des fouilles américaines, italiennes, françaises et libyennes du 20e siècle.

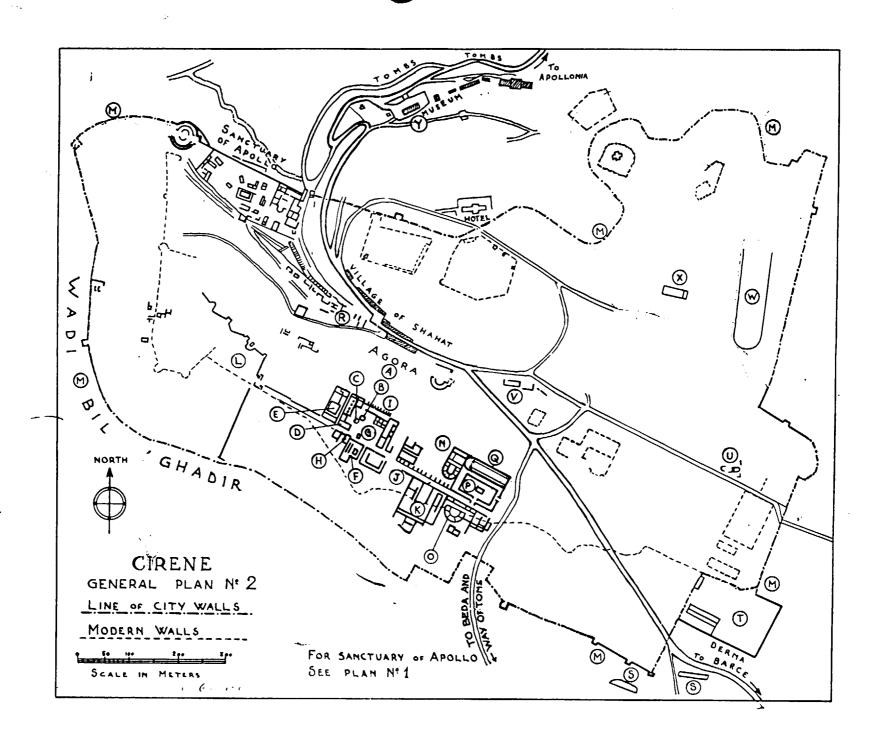
proud of its past, conscious of the continuity of its history and turned towards the future.

The archaeological site of Cyrene is not limited to these three monumental complexes, the sanctuary of Apolla, the Acropolis and the Agora. Excavations have revealed the great interest of the north-eastern sector, where the grandiose ruins of the immense Temple of Zeus dominate the Greek quarter which was restored during the Augustan period and inhabited until the end of Cyrenian history.

Elsewhere, Cyrene preserves a necropolis complex which is numbered among the most extensive and the most varied of the Antique world.

ICOMOS recommends the inscription of the site of Cyrene on the World Heritage List on the basis on criteria II, III and VI and would emphasis that this capital has exerted a considerable influence not only within the stream of Antiquity but also within that of the modern and contemporary period. The discovery of its ruins in 1705-1706 by Claude Lemaire was a date significant to the history of Neo-Classism. Our knowledge of Hellenic sculpture is tightly linked to the finds made on the site of Cyrene during the course of 20th century excavations by American, Italian, French and Libyan archaeological teams.

ICOMOS, Paris; Mai 1982



II.2.2.Update of the statement of significance

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| 3 | In the view of the State Party, does the statement of significance adequately reflect the World Heritage values of the property? | Kes 1 No | |
| b | or is a re-submission necessary? This could be considered, for example, to recognise cultural values of a natural World Heritage property, or vice-versa. This may become necessary either due to the substantive revision of the criteria by the World Heritage Committee or due to better identification or knowledge of specific outstanding universal values of the property. | If YES, why? | 000 |
| | Another issue that might be reviewed here is whether the delimitation of the World Heritage Property, and its buffer zone if appropriate, is adequate to ensure the protection and conservation of the World Heritage values embodied in it. | | 000 |
| | A revision or extension of the boundaries might be considered in response to such a review. | Is the State Party considering asking for a revision of the boundaries: | 000 |
| | If a statement of significance is not available or Incomplete, it will be necessary, in the first periodic report, for the State Party to propose such a statement. The statement of significance should • reflect the criterion (criteria) on the basis of which the Committee inscribed the property on the World Heritage List. • It should also address questions such as: What does the property represent, what makes the property outstanding, what are the specific values that distinguish the property, what is the relationship of the site with its setting, etc. Such statement of significance will be examined by the advisory body(ies) concerned and transmitted to the World Heritage Committee for approval, if appropriate. | New statement of significance: -The archaeological excavations in the site of Cyrene revealed that there was a Libyan settlement before the Greek and Necropolis in North Africa. - It contains the biggest Greek Temple North Africa (Zeus Temple). -Cyrene ruins characterized with the loinfluence on the architecture, mosaic frescoes, sculptures. - Cyrene is a complete city with its step and the excavations which had been carried covered only the third size of the argical site of Cyrene. | in cal s , eets |

II.3. Statement of authenticity / integrity

| a | Under this item it is necessary to review whether the values on the basis of which the property was inscribed on the World Heritage List and reflected in the statement o significance under item II.2 above are being maintained. This should also include the issue of authenticity/integrity in relation to the property. | Included in II.".1 | 000 |
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| b | | Have there been changes in the authenticity / integrity since inscription? YES / NO Are changes in the authenticity / integrity of the property foreseeable in the near future? YES / NO What are the main causes of changes in the authenticity / integrity since inscription? Weathering , Visitors trampling. discontinuity of restoration works. Modifications to the authenticity / Integrity since inscription? | 000 |
| С | Please note that a more detailed analysis of the conditions of the property is required under item II.6 on the basis of key indicators for measuring its state of conservation. | Have the values on the basis of which the property was inscribed been maintained? YES / NO | 000 |

II.4. Management

II.4.1.Legal and institutional framework

| Γ | Under this item, it is necessary to report on the implementation and effectiveness of protective legislation at the national, provincial or municipal level and/or contractual or traditional protection as well as of management and/or planning control for the property concerned, | Ownership: State - Region - Private State ownership Legal status: An archaeological site inscribed in the world Heritage List . | 000 |
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| | | Legal framework (national and local) Institutional framework (local) | |
| | | Agency(ies) responsible for the management: Cyrene Superintendence of Archaeology Responsible: Address: Post code and city: Telephone: 085122117 / 084634878 Fax: E-mail: | 000 |
| Ь | as well as on actions that are foreseen for the future, to preserve the values described in the statement of significance under item II.2. | Actions foreseen to preserve the values for the future Restoration of Cyrene museum and preparation to be opened within the next few months. Restoration the museum of Heritage. Restoration of mosaics pavements and frescoes. | 000 are |

II.4.2. Management and planning

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| a The State Party should also report on significant changes in the ownership, legal status and/or contractual or traditional protective measures, management arrangements and management plans as compared to the situation at the time of inscription or the previous periodic report. | the site the region Syrene Superintendence of Archaeole central administration / Dept. of Antiquities. Changes occured at the site since inscription with regard to ownership legal status protective measures plant alarming systems in th museum and stores. boundaries available resources |
| | Registered plans relating to the property: One year term plan and Five years term plan regional plan: local plan: conservation plan: |
| Indicate the different plans relating to the property, prepared and/or implemented by different authorities (national, regional, local) and which have a direct Influence on the way in which the property is developed, conserved, utilised or visited. You may provide either a substantial summary of these plans, or significant extracts, or the complete plan in annex to this form. | tourism development plan: Toilts, instructive panels, wastebaskets are planed to be founded. etc. |

II. 4.3. Management plan of the site and statement of objectives

| 1 | | Does a functional management plan exist: | 000 |
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| a | The management plan is a basic tool for the management of the site | YES NO | |
| | designed to organise the conservation and to base the actions for development relative to the | Is a management plan being prepared or updated : | |
| | property. Brief extracts of the management plan could be cited and the plan could be joined in annex to | Has the local community been consulted and informed about the management plan: | |
| | the dossier. | Does the management plan take into account the available human resources: | |
| | | Does the management plan take into account the actual financial resources: | |
| | | Does the management plan include aspects of personnel training: | |
| | | Does the management plan include zoning and multiple uses of the site : YES / NO | |
| | | Does the management plan take account of a delimited buffer zone : | |
| | | Does the management plan include regular monitoring actions of the site : YES / NO | |
| - | | Implementation of the management plan: | 000 |
| b | | In accordance with specific legislation | |
| | | Agency responsible for the implementation: Governmental institution NGO | |
| | | Involvement of the local community in the implementation of the management plan : Yes / NO | |
| | | Evaluation of the management plan: Periodicity: Defined indicators: Trained personnel: | |
| | | Revision scheduled every years 6 MONTHS. | 000 |
| С | (provide a copy of the plan in annex) | Financial support for the implementation of the management plan: No financing foreseen Financing guaranteed National financing | 000 |

Do not hesitate to add additional information on a separate sheet

| | Periodic reporting on the Arab sites inscribed on the World Heritage List | | | | |
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| Г | | Intergovernmental financing | | | |
| | | Obstacles to the implementation of the management plan: Lack of funds Lack of trained personnel Administrative or legislative problems Date of implementation of the present management plan: 1.1.2000 To 13.12.2000 | | | |
| | | 1.1.2000 10 13.12.2000 | 000 | | |
| c | Full name and address of the agency or person directly responsible for the property should also be provided. | Person responsible for the property. Name: Abdelghader Said Abdelghder. Function: Superintendenteof Cyrene Address: Cyrene . Libya Post code and city: Telephone: 00218 85122117 /00218 84634 Fax: E-mail: | 8778 | | |

II.4.4. Capacities in human and financial resources at site level

| 11 | .4.4. Capacities in human and | d financial resources at site level | 000 |
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| a | The State Party should also provide | Human resources | |
| , | an estimate of the site's human resources, | Level of staff: 10% are qualified . 1. Management: | |
| | | 2. Managerial staff / engineers (number, role): | |
| | | 12 | |
| | | 3. Manpower (number, role): | |
| | | 60 | |
| | | Guards30 Trackers | |
| | | Chauffeurs 3 Secretaries 6 | |
| | | Workers 25 Unskilled workers 4 | |
| | | Note: Some f the workers are seasona | |
| 十 | | Regular financial resources: | R |
| b | and the financial resources available and necessary for the management of the property, | Regular gyernamental budget . Sources and level of financing: Tickets' selling & Publications'selling | g• |
| | | Income generated directly by management: Type Cash | |
| | | Amount Utilisation | |
| | | Salaries , restoration and conservation | 000 |
| c | as well as an estimate of its personnel needs. | Personnel training needs | |
| | | Observed shortcomings: Restoration&Museulogy. | |
| | | Personnel training needs: Restoration in general | 4. |
| | | Types of training desired: for the young(all resto | ration sor |
| | · | Mosiacs&frescoes restoration.trainingi | 1 |
| L | | fields of museums, excavations anylisis | ionka IO |
| | | fauna. Pottery, glass, metal, ivery win addition to training on fields of su and digital photographing. | r v ey |
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| II.4.5. Additional information concerning protection and cor | |
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| | Protection and conservation | Sources of expertise for the training in conservation and management techniques : | 000 |
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| | | The foreign archaeological missions in and outside the country. Protection measures and means of implementation: - Rixing an alarming system in the store | |
| | | - Tensifying the guarding . | |
| | | Existing local programmes: | |
| | | Abovementioned . | |
| | | Policies and programmes for the safeguard of the site (status of implementation): | |
| | | - Walling up the site The urgent restoration works . | |
| | | Financing (origin, amount): | |
| | | The regular gvernmental budget . | |
| Ь | Technical assistance: | Technical assistance provided by the United Nations system: | 000 |
| | Indicate technical assistance from which the property has benefited, either from a United Nations agency, or from bilateral cooperation. | a. World Heritage Centre b. UNESCO International Campaign c. National and/or regional projects of the UNDP or another agency d. Other assistance | |
| | | Technical assistance provided by bilateral co-operation | |
| | | With the archaeological missions working Cyrene. such as Palermo University, Urbi university and Kiety University (all are in field of restoration, excavations a museums documentation. | no Italians) |

In addition to the society for Libyan studies in London, and some of local authorities such as compnies and public administrations in limited scale.

Convention concerning the Protection of the World Cultural and Natural Heritage Periodic reporting on the Arab sites inscribed on the World Heritage List 11.4.6. Scientific, technical and educational activities

| а | The State Party is also encouraged to provide information on scientific | Scientific studies | 000 |
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| | studies, | Research facilities at the site: Laboratories: OLO RESTORATION LAB. Housing for researchers: | |
| | | Vehicles: NOT ENOUGH Scientific equipment: OUT OF WORK | |
| | | Databases: Herbaria: Zoological collections: | |
| | | Skilled personnel (technicians, laboratory staff) VERY FEW | 000 |
| b | On research projects: for each research programme | Research and development programmes Name of the programme : | 000 |
| | carried out at the site, provide relevant information. | Agency(ies) sponsoring the research: Participation of national and/or foreign teams: Objectives of the programme: Progress status: Results obtained: Publications: Human resources involved: | |
| | | Professors , restorators , Technicians architects . | |
| С | New management techniques: Including computerised management, as well as database management, access to the Internet or the creation of a Geographical Information System. | New management techniques Availability of computer equipment: XES Type LOCAL MADE COMPUTER SET CALLE Capacity CAL-FATEH) Year 1998 | D |
| | | Possible access to the Internet: YES / NO Operational access to the Internet: YES / NO | |
| | | Use of the E-mail: YZS / NO | |
| | | Is there a Geographical Information System for the site: | |
| | | planned? in progress? operational ? | |
| d | Educational activities, if there are educational programmes aimed at | Educational activities | 000 |
| | schools | Does the site receive schools' visits? How many? | |
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research and development programmes :

Restorations conservations and excavations, are carried out in collaboration with the following missions according to the way mentioned below:

- 1) Palermo University mission:
 - Continuation of the excavations , drawings , photographings of the estern area of Sanctury of Apollo .
 - Completion the graphic documentation and drawing pottery finds in Isis Temple .
 - Study, drawings and photographing sculptures of Pediment of Temple Apollo.
 - Revision and study of the materials in addition to some new sondages in the western area of the Agora .
 - Zeus Temple, restoratio works, drawings and continuation of the photographing recording system.
 - Survey the Acropolis.
 - Survey , photographing the churches .
- 2) Urbino University mission:
 - Restoration works in the Agora , the forum .
 - Study Slonta Temple (a temple with typical Libyan sculptures).
- 3) Kiety University Mission:
 - Museum documentation.
 - study the local temples .
- 4) The Society for Libyan Studies;
 - Study the tombs .
 - the inscriptions .

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| е | Public information activities and awareness building in direct relation to the property: indicate how the property's World Heritage values are transmitted to residents, visitors and the public. | Is there an environmental education policy: YES/NO Which themes, target public, means for implementation. Direct explainations to the vistors to take care of the natural and environmental aspects of the site. Some sorts of Medea are used in this field. Public information and awareness building How are general public information activities organised,? By some of medea means |
| | | How are the World Heritage values transmitted to residents and visitors? By the direct explaination to the visitors and the other various ways of Medea means. |

| .4.7. Diverse elements | 1000 |
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| Other elements could be mentioned, for example: | World Heritage logo plaque |
| | World Heritage property signs |
| whether the site has a plaque identifying it as a World Heritage | |
| site; | Visitor information/interpretation centre NO |
| whether special events and exhibitions are organised; | Site museum Xes |
| what infrastructures, welcome centre, site museum, special paths, | Discovery paths Xes |
| guides, information material, etc. are available to the visitor; | Hotel infrastructure (lodging, restaurant) NEARBY |
| • the impact of World Heritage | Parking lot |
| inscription on the programmes and activities. | Toilets PLANNED, |
| | First aid and rescue station NO |
| | Ad hoc personnel and training received |
| | Information material: leaflets, books, slides, videos, CD-ROMs, etc. |
| | Open house days NO |
| | Special events or exhibitions Cultural&folklore festiva |
| | Targeted communcation actions: radio, tv, press |
| | Impact of inscription on visitor numbers Increasing The number • |
| | Other actions: |
| | Is it necessary to revise the legislative texts governing the |
| b Based on a management study of the property, the State Party might | property: |
| wish to consider whether a | YES / NO |
| significant revision of the legislative and administrative texts governing | Is it necessary to revise significantly the administrative texts |
| the property could be advisable. | governing the property |
| | YES / NO |

Annexes: Attach legal texts, management plans, work plans, information documents, etc.

II.5. Factors affecting the property

II.5.1.Degree to which the property is threatened

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| | Davidance of processors | 000 |
| Please comment on the degree to which the property is threatened by particular problems and risks. | Visual integrity: THE SITE IS INHABITED BY PEOPLE | |
| Factors that could be considered under this item are those that are listed in the nomination format, e.g. development pressures, | Sites Waste and refuse Constructions Buildings Badly integrated infrastructures Illegal grazing and overgrazing Wood cutting and clearing | |
| | Structural integrity: | |
| | Roads Dams Mines Water pollution (type, source, scope, consequences, cost) Air pollution (type, source, scope, consequences, cost) Earth pollution (type, source, scope, consequences, cost) Cost) Disappearance or significant reduction of animal or Vegetal species | |
| | Functional integrity: | |
| | Conservation of biological productivity Conservation of diversity Functioning of the cycles (water, etc.) | |
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| d | visitor/tourism pressures, | Tourism and its consequences: | 000 | |
|---|----------------------------|--|------|--|
| d | visitor/tourism pressures, | Yearly visitor statistics: Number of visitors per year about 3000(seaso Origin of the visitors Various nationalitie Evolution of visitor statistics over the years Annual income from tourismabout 80.000 L.I | n 19 | |
| | | - Distance A BOUT 1.200 k.M & - Paved roads - Seasonal routes - Airports: FROM TRIPOLI AIR POR BENINA AIRPORT (BENFHAZI) Hum round 20 Circulation within the site: No ad. for handicapped, A for vehicles, A according to the seasons Pressures from tourism: | r 12 | |
| | | Collecting of samples (fauna, flora, objects) Damage (trampling) Waste management (dustbins, WC) Fires Tourist infrastructures: Picnic areas, Halts, | | |
| | | Waste bins, Path markers etc | | |
| | | What is the tourist capacity of the site? | | |
| | | Thousands . | | |
| | | Can one speak of sustainable tourism? | | |

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| e and the number of inhabitants. | Relations with the neighbouring residents of the site | | |
| | Evaluation of the local population Number of inhabitants living at the site, Number of inhabitants living in the buffer zone (20 km) 30,000 Evolution since the creation of the site. | AM | ilies |
| | Geographical distribution of human habitats or the zones of illegal activity Villages (location, population) or encampments (duration) Activities (cf. socio-économic considerations) | | |
| | Cultural specificities of this population HALIZEDIJCATED PEOPLE | | |
| | Socio-economic considerations Main systems of production Use of natural resources at the World Heritage site (activities of the inhabitants with regard to the natural environment) Implications on sustainable development Co-development contracts or agreements with the local population Involvement of the local personnel in the site management | | |
| | Specific problems of refugees Causes Geographic origin Number of refugees Beginning of the phenomenon Consequences Solutions envisaged | | |
| | Insecurity situations and consequences | | |
| | Other factors affecting the property Vandalism, theft, looting Deforestation Poaching Illegal grazing | | |
| | Indicate steps taken to counteract these threats. Fixing | | |
| | Alarming systems in the museum and stores . | | |
| | Intensify the guarding . | | |
| | Describe the evolution of each of these factors since the inscription of the site on the WH List (increase, stability, decrease) | | |

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Was the community involved in the nomination of the site to the World Heritage List:

YES / NO

In what way?

Convention concerning the Protection of the World Cultural and Natural Heritage Periodic reporting on the Arab sites inscribed on the World Heritage List II.5.2.Prevention of threats and natural and human pressures

| 1.5 a | forward planning and risk preparedness, provide relevant information on operating methods that will make the State Party capable of counteracting dangers that threaten or may endanger its cultural or natural heritage. Problems and risks to be considered could include earthquakes, floods, land-slides, vibrations, industrial pollution, vandalism, theft looting, changes in the physical context of properties, | Methods of counteracting threats and pressures Natural disasters: Earthquakes: Land slides: Avalanches: Floods: Droughts: Fires: Volcanoes: Others: | 000 |
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| | mining, deforestation, poaching, as well as changes in land-use, agriculture, road building, construction activities, tourism. Areas where Improvement would be desirable, and towards which the State Party is working should be indicated. This item should provide up-to-date information on all factors which are likely to affect or threaten the property. It should also relate those threats to measures taken to counteract them. | | |
| b | An assessment should also be given if the impact of these factors on the property is increasing or decreasing, | Urbanism X Tourism Evolution of the impact of these factors since the inscription of the site | 000 |
| С | and what actions to address them have been effectively taken or are planned for the future. | Actions taken to address them Actions envisaged | 000 |

II.6. Monitoring

000 Previous monitoring exercises Whereas item II.3 of the periodic (periodic or reactive monitoring) overall provides report an (give dates and results) assessment of the maintenance of the World Heritage values of the Is there regular monitoring of the site (yearly, for example): property, this item analyses in more YES/NO detail the conditions of the property on the basis of key indicators for measuring its state of conservation. Periodic monitoring of flora resources: frequency If no Indicators were identified at the methodology time of inscription of the property on inventory the World Heritage List, this should estimates be done in the first periodic report. results The preparation of a periodic report can also be an opportunity to and/or evaluate the validity of earlier Identified indicators and to revise Periodic monitoring of the vegetable resources: them, if necessary. frequency methodology categories results and/or Periodic monitoring of the fauna resources: frequency methodology inventory estimates results and/or Landscape monitoring: frequency methodology categories and/or Monitoring of the constructions and buildings Human resources allocated for this monitoring Associated material means

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| b | Up-to-date Information should be provided in respect of each of the key indicators. Care should be taken to ensure that this information is as accurate and reliable as possible, for example by carrying out observations in the same way, using similar equipment and methods at the same time of the year and day. | 1. 2. 3. | | | | | |
| C | Indicate which partners if any are involved in monitoring and describe what improvement the State Party foresees or would consider desirable in improving the monitoring system. | Administrative provisions for organising the monitoring of the | 000 | | | | |
| đ | Committee and/or its Bureau may | Results of the previous monitoring exercises: Actions taken in response to the observations / recommendations of the Committee/Bureau. | | | | | |

II.7. Conclusions and recommended actions

| T. | The main conclusions under each of | Main conclusions concerning the Statement of significance of | 000 |
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| | report, but in particular as to whether the World Heritage values of the property are maintained should be | the site as a World Heritage property (see item 11.2 doors) | |
| ŀ | summarised and tabulated together with: | | |
| | Main conclusions regarding the state of the World Heritage values of the property (see items II.2. and II.3. above) | Main conclusions concerning the Statement of authenticity / integrity of the property as a World Heritage property (see item II.3 above) | |
| | | | 000 |
| ь | nd Main conclusions regarding the management and factors affecting the property (see Items II.4 and II.5. above) | Main conclusions concerning the management of the property (see item II.4 above) | |
| | | Main conclusions concerning the factors affecting the property (see item II.5 above) | |
| | | | 00 |
| С | Proposed future action/actions | Proposed future action(s): | |
| d | Responsible implementing agency/agencies | Responsible implementing agency(ies): | 00 |
| | Provide the necessary details for en eventual contact. | Agency: Person responsible: Address: | |
| | | Telephone : Fax: E-mail: | |

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| | Pariodic reportiv | ng on the Arab sites inscribed on the World Heritage List | | |
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| • | e Timeframe for Implementation | Timetable for implementation | 000 | |
| | f Needs for International assistan | Needs for international assistance: YES / NO Type of assistance desired: Restoration , conservation and muculogy | 000 | |
| | g The State Party is also reques indicate what experience the Party has obtained which correlevant to others dealing with problems or issues. Please promes of organisations or spewho could be contacted for purpose. | uld be 1. NameAbdelghader Said Abdelgader • similar Address: Cyrene (SHAHAT) LIBYA. covide class 2. Name: SaidHasan Belfaraj | 000 | |
| | h Address where the inventory, records and archives are kept. | Agency: Superintence of Cyrene Archaeolog Person responsible: Said Hasan Belfaraj Address: Cyrene (SHAHAT) LIBYA. | 000 cal | Site. |

II.8. Documentation enclosed

Maps and plans of the site layout

Site map (zoning)

Illustrations of the state of conservation of the site (photographs, slides and, if available, film/videos):

General view (overall view of the site)

Details of the important aspects (landscapes, animal and vegetable species,

Photos illustrating the physical state of conservation of the site Photos illustrating the main threats to the site and its surroundings Copies of the management plans of the site and extracts of other plans relating to the site Indicative bibliography

Note.

Plans and views were taken from :

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grecque, romaine et byzantine.

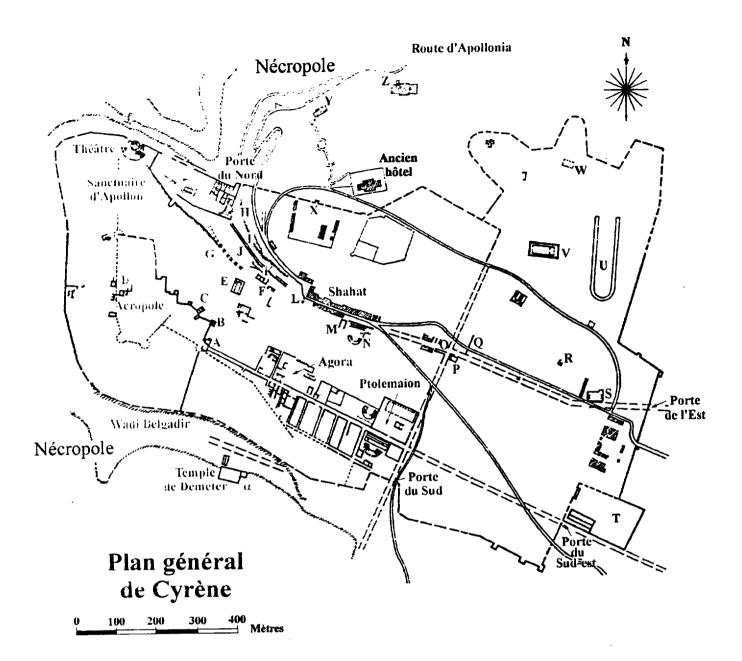
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- A. Entrée de l'Acropole
- B. Tour d'angle de l'Acropole
- C. Sanctuaire d'Isis et de Sérapis
- D. Maison romaine
- E. Bâtiment non identifié
- F. Maison des mosaïques de Dionysos
- G. Route taillée dans le roc vers la fontaine d'Apollon
- H. Borne milliaire d'Hadrien
- I. Voie Sacrée
- J. Nouvelle fontaine (Aqua Augusta)
- K. Thermes grecs
- L. Arc de triomphe
- M. Edifice romain non identifié
- N. Théâtre-marché et propylées sévériens

- O. Centre de la ville romaine
- P. Église byzantine
- Q. Rempart byzantin
- R. Tour arabe
- S. "Cathédrale"
- T. Citernes romaines
- U. Cirque (hippodrome)
- V. Temple de Zeus
- W. Temple de la colline
- X. Tour du rempart de la cité
- Y. Département des Antiquités
- Z. Tombe circulaire de la nécropole
- a. Temple de Déméter et de Perséphone.

Sérapis, on en déduit la présence d'Isis à son côté. Après sa destruction, ce bâtiment fut remplacé – un peu plus à l'ouest – par un autre temple dont on pense qu'il appartient à la brève tentative de Julien l'Apostat (361-363) pour restaurer le paganisme. Lorsque les chrétiens eurent également détruit ce sanctuaire, ils enterrèrent les statues de culte à l'arrière du temple : parmi elles se trouvaient des statuettes d'Isis, une inscription en l'honneur de la déesse, un groupe des Trois Grâces et la célèbre tête dite de Bérénice, fille du roi Magas. Toutes ces œuvres sont conservées aujourd'hui dans les réserves du musée.

D. Maison romaine

Il s'agit d'une luxueuse maison romaine (découverte en 1910 par les Américains) dont les restes sont désormais recouverts partiellement par les fortifications italiennes de la dernière guerre.

E. Bâtiment non identifié

On y distingue deux colonnades intérieures.

F. Maison des mosaïques de Dionysos

Cette petite maison romaine tire son nom d'un pavement à motifs dionysiaques (déposé dans les réserves du musée de Cyrène).

G. H. I. J. K.

Voir Zone du Sanctuaire d'Apollon, p. 158.

L. Arc triomphal

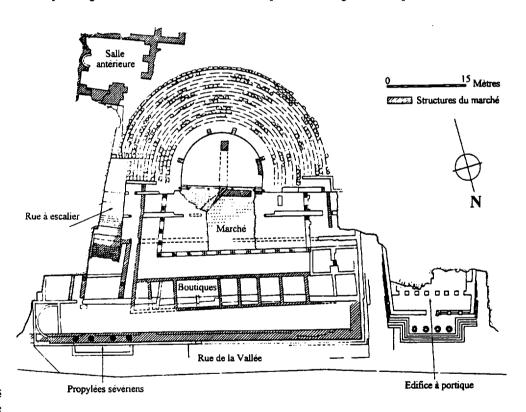
Érigé en 164-166, cet arc de triomphe est dédié aux empereurs Marc Aurèle et Lucius Verus. Il n'en subsiste que l'arche sud.

M. Édifice romain non identifié

On y observe des propylées d'ordre corinthien.

N. Théâtre-marché et propylées sévériens

Ce marché à ciel ouvert était une esplanade carrée entourée d'un portique. Le côté nord comportait une rangée de boutiques. Tous les marbres



Plan du théâtre-marché Cyrène

W. Temple de la colline

Recouvert par une redoute italienne qui date de l'Occupation.

X. Tour du rempart de la cité

Y. Département des Antiquités

Z. Tombe circulaire

Voir La nécropole de Cyrène, p. 163.

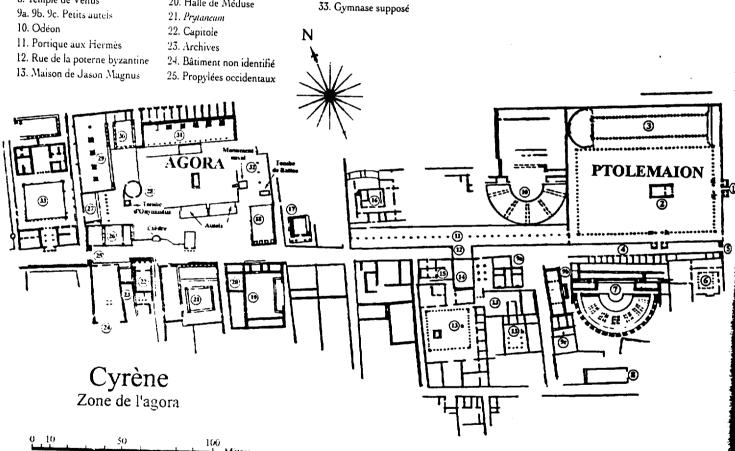
a. Temple de Déméter et de Perséphone

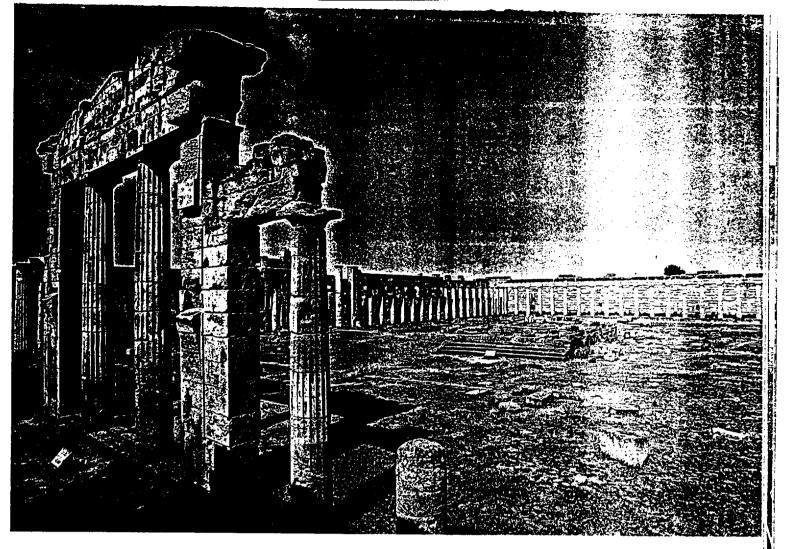
Situé en dehors des murs de la cité, ce temple est composé de deux sanctuaires édifiés sur plusieurs niveaux. On y a retrouvé, entre autres sculptures, une inscription avec dédicace à Déméter et Perséphone par Mnaso et Aristarchos (II siècle av. J.-C). Mais l'ensemble a été occupé antérieurement et plusieurs fois réaménagé jusqu'à sa destruction par le tremblement de terre de 365. (Fouilles du professeur Donald White, de l'université de Pennsylvanie.)

Zone de l'agora

- 1. Le Ptolemaion
- 2. Temple du gymnase
- 3. Basilique judiciaire
- 4. Rue du roi Battos
- 5. Propylées orientaux
- 6. Habitation privee
- 7. Théâtre romain 8. Temple de Vénus
- 13a. Palais otliciel
- 13b. Résidence
- 14. Bâtiment non identifié
- 15. Temple d'Hermès
- 16. Maison de Hesychius
- 17. Salle des Muses
- 18. Temple non identifié
- 19. Bâtiment public
- 20. Halle de Méduse

- 26. Temple d'Apollon
- 27. Portique des empereurs
- 28. Tholos de Déméter
- 29. Galerie (stoa) occidentale de l'agora
- 30. Augusteum
- 31. Galerie (stoa) nord
- 32. Galerie (stoa) est





ZONE DE L'AGORA

Pour des raisons de commodité, la visite commence par la zone de l'agora et finit par celle du sanctuaire d'Apollon.

1. Le Ptolemaion (II siècle av. J.-C.)

Offert à la ville par un souverain lagide, probablement Ptolémée VIII, ce vaste portique de 96 m sur 85 possède deux portes précédées d'un porche extérieur, l'une à l'est, l'autre au sud. La colonnade hellénistique est de style dorique.

Cette esplanade était un gymnase destiné aux exercices physiques et militaires des jeunes citoyens de Cyrène. Située au nord du portique, une série de pièces appartenait à une école destinée aux coureurs à pied. Le portique sud se prolongeait vers l'ouest par une piste de course (11).

À l'époque impériale, le gymnase devint un forum et prit le nom de Caesareum. Des

inscriptions remémorent l'évergétisme du proconsul Rubellius Blandus (vers 18) et de Marcus Sufenas Proculus, sous le règne d'Auguste et de Tibère. Les bâtiments du côté nord furent alors transformés en basilique judiciaire (3).

L'ensemble de ce gymnase fut utilisé comme forteresse militaire à l'époque byzantine.

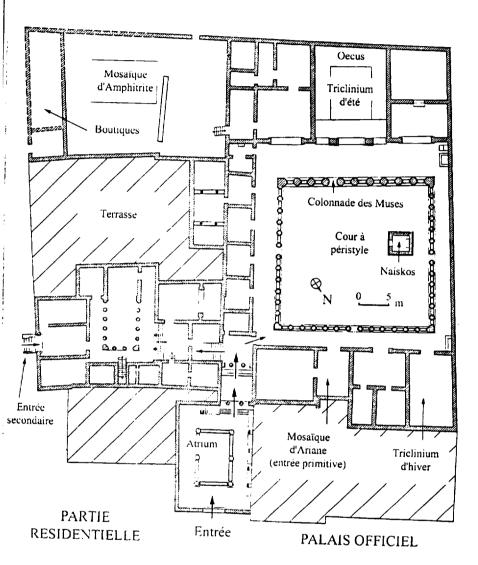
2. Temple du gymnase

Situé au centre du *Ptolemaion*, ce petit temple était peut-être dédié à Jules César divinisé. On y a exhumé une statue de Dionysos qui se trouve désormais au British Museum.

3. Basilique judiciaire

Son état actuel date de sa restructuration par Hadrien en 120. Les niches creusées dans les absides contenaient encore des statues païennes, ce qui démontre que l'édifice n'a jamais été transformé en église par les chrétiens.

Ptolemaion de Cyrène
Derrière le porche monumental
du gymnase, on distingue le podium
du petit temple (2) situé au centre
de l'esplanade.



Plan de la maison de Jason Magnus

4. Rue du roi Battos

5. Propylées orientaux de la zone monumentale

6. Habitation privée (période romaine)

7. Théâtre romain

(II ou III siècle)

Il fut construit en remplacement de l'odéon (10) détruit par le tremblement de terre de 262.

8. Temple de Vénus

(époque romaine)

9a. 9b. 9c. Petits autels

Peut-être dédiés à Héraklès et à Hermès, les divinités favorites des jeunes atlhètes du gymnase.

10. Odéon

(époque romaine)

Il a vraisemblablement été construit pour remplacer le théâtre situé dans la zone du sanctuaire d'Apollon, à l'époque où cet édifice fut transformé en amphithéâtre (voir p. 154).

11. Portique aux Hermès

Cette longue galerie qui borde la rue principale servait originellement de piste de course (xiste) aux athlètes. Au II siècle, elle fut séparée de la rue par un mur percé de fenêtres et transformée en passage couvert entre le forum et l'agora. Les fenêtres sont encadrées par des bustes d'Hermès (imberbe) et d'Héraklès (barbu).

12. Rue de la poterne byzantine

13. Maison de Jason Magnus (II'-III' siècle)

Cette luxueuse résidence tire son nom d'une mosaïque mentionnant le prêtre d'Apollon Jason Magnus dans le temple d'Hermès (15) qui jouxte la maison; une autre inscription désignait ce même personnage dans un des temples du sanctuaire d'Apollon (voir p. 152).

Zone du sanctuaire d'Apollon

- 1. Fontaine d'Apollon
- 2. Escalier menant au sanctuaire
- 5. Fours byzantins
- 4. Propylées grees
- 5. Temple
- 6. Thermes byzantins
- 7. Strategeion
- 8. Propylées romains
- 9. Fontaine heilénistique
- 10. Temple de Hadès
- 11. Temple des Dioscures
- 12. Autel d'Apollon
- 15. Temple d'Apolion
- 14. Temple de Jason Magnus
- 15. Sanctuaire d'Apollon Nymphagète
- 16. Fontaine de la nymphe Cyrène
- 17. Fontaine grecque
- 18. Temple d'Isis
- 19. Grotte des prêtres d'Apoilon
- 20. Terrasse pavée
- 21. Mur
- 22. Temple non identifié
- 25. Mur de Nikodamos
- 24. Théâtre
- 25. Temple non identitié
- 26. Temple d'Artémis
- 27. Autel d'Artemis
- 28. Temple d Hécate
- 29. Thermes de Trajan

taine, mais il pourrait s'agir de la tombe du roi Battos dont Pindare signale qu'elle se trouvait sur l'agora où les Cyrénéens vouaient un culte au fondateur de leur ville.

Le monument naval (fin de l'époque hellénistique). Il s'agit d'un ex-voto monumental élevé sur l'agora pour célébrer une victoire navale.

Sur la proue d'un navire de guerre – une trirème avec son éperon –, se dresse la statue d'une Victoire qui est à comparer avec celle qui célébrait le triomphe des Grecs à la bataille de Samothrace (musée du Louvre).

33. Gymnase supposé

(remodelé à l'époque romaine)

Un portique donne accès à une petit atrium dont quatre colonnes soutenaient le toit; si l'attribution est correcte, les vestiaires se trouvaient de part et d'autre. On passe ensuite dans une grande cour à colonnades ioniques, puis à des salles dont la destination est incertaine.

Après le gymnase, un sentier permet de descendre la colline jusqu'à la rue de la Vallée et à la Voie Sacrée (I, p. 158). Sur le chemin du sanctuaire d'Apollon, on s'arrêtera pour visiter les bains grecs (K, p. 158).

ZONE DU SANCTUAIRE D'APOLLON

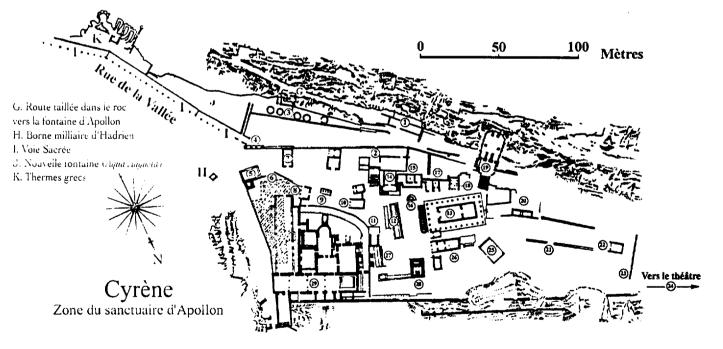
En débouchant de la Voie Sacrée (I, p. 158), on se rendra directement à la source d'Apollon (1), avant de revenir par le même chemin aux propylées grecs (4) qui marquent l'entrée du sanctuaire.

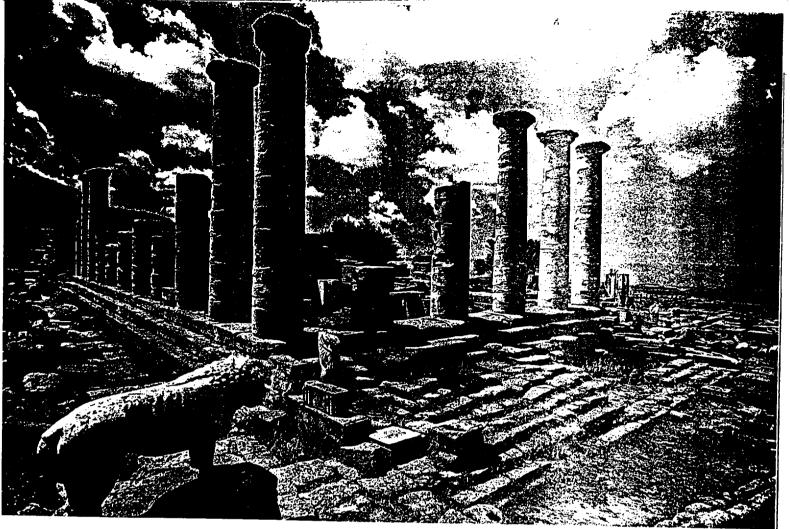
1. Fontaine d'Apollon

C'est la source sacrée d'Apollon, le centre vital autour duquel fut édifiée la ville de Cyrène. L'eau surgit au cœur de la colline, à quelque 300 m de son débouché apparent; les Grecs ont taillé un tunnel dans le roc pour canaliser la première moitié de son parcours et rejoindre le méandre naturel qui aboutit à la grotte. Jusqu'à l'époque romaine et à la création de l'Aqua Augusta (J), ce point d'eau servit aussi bien aux hommes qu'au bétail, comme en témoignent les nombreux abreuvoirs qui y sont aménagés.

Sur la terrasse supérieure, une rue conduisait au théâtre et permettait d'éviter le sanctuaire.

2. Escalier menant au sanctuaire

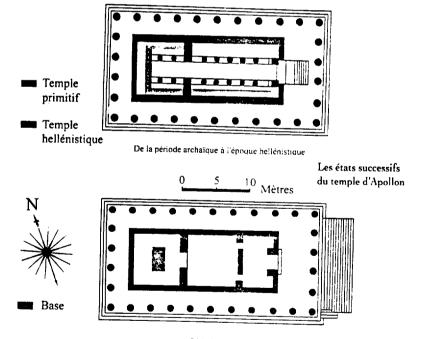


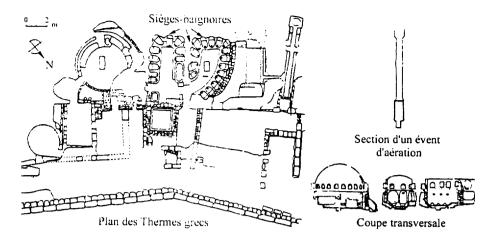


Temple d'Apollon Au premier plan, l'un des deux lions décorant la fontaine de la nymphe Cyrène (16).

ments successifs (au IV siècle av. J.-C. et au II siècle, après la révolte des Juifs), à ce qu'il était au VI siècle av. J.-C. Les colonnes doriques originelles sont visibles dans le naa; sur les fûts posés horizontalement, on remarquera les sections marquées en étoile qui déterminaient la sculpture des cannelures. Les 6 colonnes non cannelées de la façade, et les 11 qui se trouvent sur les côtés datent de la restauration du temple par Trajan (115-116). La sculpture de Gorgone qui couronnait le temple au V siècle av. J.-C. a été déposée dans les réserves du musée de Cyrène.

Les ruines de cet édifice dissimulaient la statue colossale de l'Apollon citharède exposée aujourd'hui au British Museum.



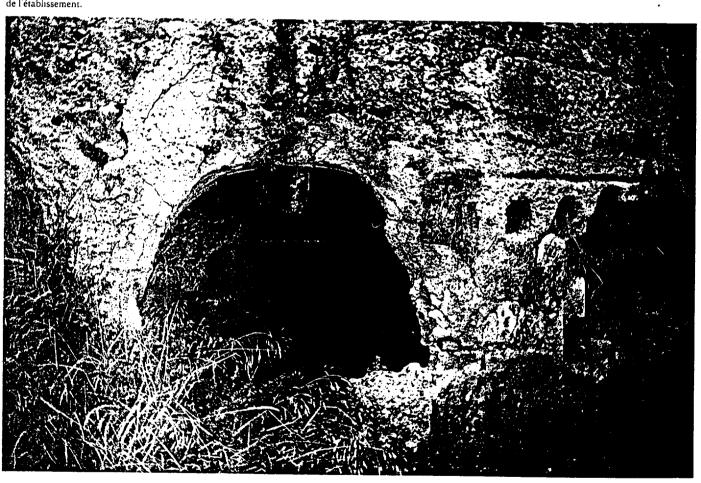


jetées dans l'eau d'une petite vasque située au centre de chacune des pièces, de façon à générer de la vapeur. Au-dessus des sièges, une alvéole permettait de poser des lampes ou des récipients. L'eau des thermes provenait d'un puits alimenté par la source qui fut ensuite détournée pour créer la fontaine de l'Aqua Augusta, et d'une citerne située au-dessus de l'escarpement.

L'analyse stylistique d'une épigraphe mentionnant Pâris Sammaion, le propriétaire de l'établissement, implique une datation basse de l'époque hellénistique. On a suggéré que ces bains servaient exclusivement aux purifications rituelles des prêtresses d'Artémis, mais des installations similaires ont été retrouvées non loin d'Alexandrie, dans un contexte qui n'impliquait aucun rituel religieux.

Thermes grecs

Cyrène
L'une des deux grandes salles à coupole
de l'établissement





Flanc nord de la nécropole de Cyrène

LA NÉCROPOLE DE CYRÈNE

C'est l'un des cimetières les plus importants de l'Antiquité. Il compte 1 200 tombes visibles et plusieurs milliers de sarcophages individuels répartis sur plusieurs kilomètres carrés. Tous les tombeaux ont été violés à l'époque byzantine, puis arabe, et ont servi d'habitation troglodytique à la population locale durant des années.

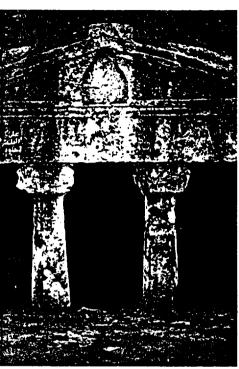
Les tombes étaient toujours élevées hors de l'enceinte de la cité, par crainte de la souillure attachée aux défunts. Elles contenaient des urnes funéraires ou des sarcophages, et certaines étaient décorées de peintures.

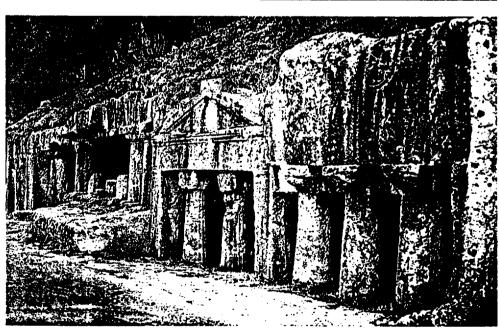
Les hypogées ornés d'ordres dorique et ionien correspondent à la période archaïque. Les tombes hellénistiques sont des mausolées circulaires ou rectangulaires. Les Romains de Cyrène étant d'origine grecque, ils réutilisèrent sans difficulté les tombeaux de leur famille d'origine. D'essence purement grecque dans sa conception et son architecture, la nécropole de Cyrène a gardé intact un héritage que la ville, si souvent remaniée à l'époque romaine, n'a su préserver que de façon lacunaire.

Nécropole de Cyrène Détail d'une façade dorique On distinguera quatre groupes de tombes :

(a) Nécropole du nord, le long de l'ancienne route qui mène à Apollonia.

Ce sont essentiellement des hypogées, c'est-àdire des sépultures souterraines creusées sur la pente des collines, soit avec façade et entrée déco-





Nécropole de Cyrène Hypogees archaïques