

Periodic Report - Second Cycle

1. World Heritage Property Data

1.1 - Name of World Heritage Property

Historic Centre of Macao

1.2 - World Heritage Property Details

State(s) Party(ies)

• China

Type of Property

cultural

Identification Number

1110

Year of inscription on the World Heritage List

2005

1.3 - Geographic Information Table

Name	Coordinates	Property (ha)	Buffer zone (ha)	Total (ha)	Inscription year
Zone 1 (Between Mount Hill and Barra Hill) , China	22.191 / 113.536	14.967	75.269	90.236	2005
Zone 2 (Guia Hill) , China	22.198 / 113.551	1.201	31.522	32.723	2005
Total (ha)		16.168	106.791	122.959	

1.4 - Map(s)

Title	Date	Link to source
Nominated Core Zones and Buffer Zones	31/01/2002	

1.5 - Governmental Institution Responsible for the Property

Comment

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1.7 - Web Address of the Property (if existing)

1. 1001wonders.org : visit this site in panophotographies - 360 x 180 degree images

Comment

<http://www.wh.mo/wh/indexE.asp>

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1.8 - Other designations / Conventions under which the property is protected (if applicable)

Comment

Local heritage protection legislation, including Macao's Basic Law, Law Decrees 56/84/M and 83/92/M, together with new Directives 202/2006 and 83/2008.

2. Statement of Outstanding Universal Value

2.1 - Statement of Outstanding Universal Value / Statement of Significance

Comment

The statement of OUV was revised following recommendations noted in Decision 33 COM.7B.67 and the retrospective statement of OUV of Historic Centre of Macao has been sent to the World Heritage Centre for examination by 1 February 2011.

2.2 - The criteria (2005 revised version) under which the property was inscribed

(ii)(iii)(iv)(vi)

2.3 - Attributes expressing the Outstanding Universal Value per criterion

ii) Urban structure of the old port city. (iii) Fusion of Western and Chinese urban and architectural concepts. (iv) Particular buildings that illustrate the first time that such type of Western structures were constructed in China. (vi) Buildings associated with different religious beliefs, cultures and relevant historic figures.

2.4 - If needed, please provide details of why the Statement of Outstanding Universal Value should be revised

The statement of OUV was revised following recommendations noted in Decision 33 COM.7B.67 that requested a clearer identification of the property's attributes and values, also focusing on the visual and functional linkages noted within the inscribed site.

2.5 - Comments, conclusions and / or recommendations related to Statement of Outstanding Universal Value

The recently submitted new statement of OUV presents a clearer identification of the attributes that best represent the OUV of the property, while reinforcing the significance of the visual and functional linkages of the various monuments, amongst themselves and with the seascape, as a way to better demonstrate the authenticity and integrity of the inscribed site.

3. Factors Affecting the Property

3.14. Other factor(s)

3.14.1 - Other factor(s)

3.15. Factors Summary Table

3.15.1 - Factors summary table

Name	Impact	Origin				
3.1	Buildings and Development					
3.1.1 Housing						
3.1.2 Commercial development						
3.1.4 Major visitor accommodation and associated infrastructure						
3.1.5 Interpretative and visitation facilities						
3.2	Transportation Infrastructure					
3.2.1 Ground transport infrastructure						
3.2.3 Marine transport infrastructure						
3.3	Services Infrastructures					
3.3.2 Renewable energy facilities						
3.3.3 Non-renewable energy facilities						
3.8	Social/cultural uses of heritage					
3.8.1 Ritual / spiritual / religious and associative uses						
3.8.2 Society's valuing of heritage						
3.8.6 Impacts of tourism / visitor / recreation						
3.13	Management and institutional factors					
3.13.1 Low impact research / monitoring activities						
3.13.3 Management activities						
Legend	Current	Potential	Negative	Positive	Inside	Outside

3.16. Assessment of current negative factors

3.16.1 - Assessment of current negative factors

	Spatial scale	Temporal scale	Impact	Management response	Trend	
3.1	Buildings and Development					
3.1.1	Housing	localised	intermittent or sporadic	minor	medium capacity	static
3.1.2	Commercial development	localised	on-going	minor	medium capacity	static
3.8	Social/cultural uses of heritage					
3.8.6	Impacts of tourism / visitor / recreation	localised	on-going	minor	medium capacity	decreasing

3.17. Comments, conclusions and / or recommendations related to factors affecting the property

3.17.1 - Comments

Development pressures and tourism influxes are the two main factors affecting the property. Additional heritage protection legislation was approved since the year of inscription in 2005, and a new heritage protection Law will come into effect within the current year of 2011. Visitor management has been improved based on the creation of alternative tourism interests elsewhere, enabling to progressively decongestion crowd pressure and address circulation issues within the property.

4. Protection, Management and Monitoring of the Property

4.1. Boundaries and Buffer Zones

4.1.1 - Buffer zone status

There is a buffer zone

4.1.2 - Are the boundaries of the World Heritage property adequate to maintain the property's Outstanding Universal Value?

The boundaries of the World Heritage property are **adequate** to maintain the property's Outstanding Universal Value

4.1.3 - Are the buffer zone(s) of the World Heritage property adequate to maintain the property's Outstanding Universal Value?

The buffer zones of the World Heritage property are **adequate** to maintain the property's Outstanding Universal Value

4.1.4 - Are the boundaries of the World Heritage property known?

The boundaries of the World Heritage property are known by both the management authority and local residents / communities / landowners.

4.1.5 - Are the buffer zones of the World Heritage property known?

The buffer zones of the World Heritage property are **known** by both the management authority and local residents / communities / landowners.

4.1.6 - Comments, conclusions and / or recommendations related to boundaries and buffer zones of the World Heritage property

The boundary limits remain adequate, with strict control planning guidelines inside the buffer zones. Renewed attention is now more strongly focused on constructions outside the buffer zones, taking into account the implementation of additional legislation since 2005, while also considering provisions related to the upcoming new heritage protection law and future urban plan.

4.2. Protective Measures

4.2.1 - Protective designation (legal, regulatory, contractual, planning, institutional and / or traditional)

St Joseph's complex, Dom Pedro V Theatre, and Holy House of Mercy Building are owned by respective institutions. The other properties are the property of Macao Special Administrative Region SAR Government. The Moorish Barracks, Mandarin's House, and Dom Pedro V Theatre are protected as 'Buildings of Architectural Interest'. The other properties are protected as 'Monuments'.

The principal legal basis for protection includes: "the Basic Law of the Macao SAR of the P.R. of China", Decree Law no. 56/84/M and Decree no. 83/92/M, relating to the Defence of Architectural, Environmental and Cultural Heritage, and Decree n. 7/91/M relating to General Regulations for Urban Construction.

The historic areas included within the buffer zones are designated as classified heritage areas.

Comment

Current legal framework for heritage protection includes the Basic Law of the Macao, Law-Decrees 56/83/M and 83/92/M, together with Law-Decree 7/91/M related to General Regulations for Urban Construction. Additional legislation was approved after the inscription in 2005, including, Directives 202/2006 and 83/2008.

4.2.2 - Is the legal framework (i.e. legislation and / or regulation) adequate for maintaining the Outstanding Universal Value including conditions of Integrity and / or Authenticity of the property?

The legal framework for the maintenance of the Outstanding Universal Value including conditions of Authenticity and / or Integrity of the World Heritage property provides **an adequate or better basis** for effective management and protection

4.2.3 - Is the legal framework (i.e. legislation and / or regulation) adequate in the buffer zone for maintaining the Outstanding Universal Value including conditions of Integrity and / or Authenticity of the property?

The legal framework for the maintenance of the Outstanding Universal Value including conditions of Authenticity and / or Integrity of the World Heritage property provides **an adequate or better basis** for effective management and protection

4.2.4 - Is the legal framework (i.e. legislation and / or regulation) adequate in the area surrounding the World Heritage property and buffer zone for maintaining the Outstanding Universal Value including conditions of Integrity and / or Authenticity of the property?

The legal framework for the area surrounding the World Heritage property and the buffer zone provides **an adequate or better basis** for effective management and protection of the property, contributing to the maintenance of its Outstanding Universal Value including conditions of Authenticity and / or Integrity

4.2.5 - Can the legislative framework (i.e. legislation and / or regulation) be enforced?

There is **acceptable** capacity / resources to enforce legislation and / or regulation in the World Heritage property but some deficiencies remain

4.2.6 - Comments, conclusions and / or recommendations related to protective measures

A newly revised heritage protection law is expected to be approved within the current year of 2011, after adequate public consultation that has already been completed. Amongst the principal objectives of the on-going legislative reform is to abide with recommendations received from the WHC and provide a more unified legal basis for the necessary protective measures related to the World Heritage property.

4.3. Management System / Management Plan

4.3.1 - Management System

4.3.2 - Management Documents

Comment

Law Decrees 56/84/M and 83/92/M, together with New Chief Executive Directives 202/2006 and 83/2008. Furthermore, there are internal guideline maps for each of the classified districts, inside the inscribed property, that indicate specific restrictions relating to height control, materials, functions, publicity, parking and other relevant management parameters.

4.3.3 - How well do the various levels of administration (i.e. national / federal; regional / provincial / state; local / municipal etc.) coordinate in the management of the World Heritage Property ?

There is **excellent coordination** between all bodies / levels involved in the management of the property

4.3.4 - Is the management system / plan adequate to maintain the property's Outstanding Universal Value ?

The management system / plan is **fully adequate** to maintain the property's Outstanding Universal Value

4.3.5 - Is the management system being implemented?

The management system is being **fully** implemented and monitored

4.3.6 - Is there an annual work / action plan and is it being implemented?

An annual work / action plan exists and **most or all activities** are being implemented and monitored

4.3.7 - Please rate the cooperation / relationship with World Heritage property managers / coordinators / staff of the following

Local communities / residents	Good
Local / Municipal authorities	Good
Indigenous peoples	Good
Landowners	Fair
Visitors	Good
Researchers	Good
Tourism industry	Good
Industry	Fair

4.3.8 - If present, do local communities resident in or near the World Heritage property and / or buffer

zone have input in management decisions that maintain the Outstanding Universal Value?

Local communities **directly contribute** to some decisions relating to management

4.3.9 - If present, do indigenous peoples resident in or regularly using the World Heritage property and / or buffer zone have input in management decisions that maintain the Outstanding Universal Value?

Indigenous peoples directly contribute to **some decisions** relating to management but their involvement could be improved

4.3.10 - Is there cooperation with industry (i.e. forestry, mining, agriculture, etc.) regarding the management of the World Heritage property, buffer zone and / or area surrounding the World Heritage property and buffer zone?

There is contact but only **some cooperation** with industry regarding the management of the World Heritage property, buffer zone and / or area surrounding the World Heritage property and buffer zone

4.3.11 - Comments, conclusions and / or recommendations related to human resources, expertise and training

A strong legal basis for heritage protection is in place and will be further improved in the context of the upcoming new heritage protection Law, expected to be approved within the current year of 2011, and the future urban plan. The new heritage protection Law will enable a more consistent legal framework and the future urban plan will broadly extend the scope of heritage protection in articulation with other city management fields.

4.3.12 - Please report any significant changes in the legal status and / or contractual / traditional protective measures and management arrangements for the World Heritage property since inscription or the last Periodic report

Additional legislation was approved since the year of inscription, in 2005, including Chief Executive Directive 202/2006, designating the entire inscribed area as a protection zone, and Chief Executive Directive 83/2008 that created additional heritage protection regulations for the area around Guia Hill.

4.4. Financial and Human Resources

4.4.1 - Costs related to conservation, based on the average of last five years (relative percentage of the funding sources)

Multilateral funding (GEF, World Bank, etc)	0%
International donations (NGO's, foundations, etc)	0%
Governmental (National / Federal)	0%
Governmental (Regional / Provincial / State)	0%
Governmental (Local / Municipal)	100%
In country donations (NGO's, foundations, etc)	0%
Individual visitor charges (e.g. entry, parking, camping fees, etc.)	0%
Commercial operator payments (e.g. filming permit, concessions, etc.)	0%
Other grants	0%

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4.4.2 - International Assistance received from the World Heritage Fund (USD)

Comment

Not applicable

4.4.3 - Is the current budget sufficient to manage the World Heritage property effectively?

The available budget is **sufficient** but further funding would enable more effective management to international best practice standard

4.4.4 - Are the existing sources of funding secure and likely to remain so?

The existing sources of funding **are secure** in the medium-term and planning is underway to secure funding in the long-term

4.4.5 - Does the World Heritage property provide economic benefits to local communities (e.g. income, employment)?

There is **some flow** of economic benefits to local communities

4.4.6 - Are available resources such as equipment, facilities and infrastructure sufficient to meet management needs?

There are **adequate** equipment and facilities

4.4.7 - Are resources such as equipment, facilities and infrastructure adequately maintained?

Equipment and facilities are **well maintained**

4.4.8 - Comments, conclusion, and / or recommendations related to finance and infrastructure

The revenue collected from the tourism industry, including taxes relating to the local gaming sector, is reinvested into various community welfare programs, with a special focus on heritage conservation works. There is a yearly budget and corresponding heritage protection agenda that enables an appropriate allocation of financial resources.

4.4.9 - Distribution of employees involved in managing the World Heritage property (% of total)

Full-time	95%
Part-time	5%

4.4.10 - Distribution of employees involved in managing the World Heritage property (% of total)

Permanent	90%
Seasonal	10%

4.4.11 - Distribution of employees involved in managing the World Heritage property (% of total)

Paid	100%
Volunteer	

4.4.12 - Are available human resources adequate to manage the World Heritage property?

Human resources are **adequate** for management needs

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4.4.13 - Considering the management needs of the World Heritage property, please rate the availability of professionals in the following disciplines

Research and monitoring	Good
Promotion	Good
Community outreach	Fair
Interpretation	Fair
Education	Fair
Visitor management	Fair
Conservation	Good
Administration	Good
Risk preparedness	Good
Tourism	Good
Enforcement (custodians, police)	Good

4.4.14 - Please rate the availability of training opportunities for the management of the World Heritage property in the following disciplines

Research and monitoring	Medium
Promotion	High
Community outreach	Medium
Interpretation	High
Education	Medium
Visitor management	Medium
Conservation	Medium
Administration	High
Risk preparedness	Medium
Tourism	High
Enforcement (custodians, police)	Medium

4.4.15 - Do the management and conservation programmes at the World Heritage property help develop local expertise?

A capacity development plan or programme is **in place and fully implemented**; all technical skills are being transferred to those managing the property locally, who are assuming leadership in management

4.4.16 - Comments, conclusions and / or recommendations related to human resources, expertise and training

The agency directly responsible for the management of the World Heritage property is the Macao local Government and there are good conditions to sustain adequate human resource capacity, with strong incentives for developing knowledge in the field of heritage conservation and management, including scholarship programs, student recruitment and professional training opportunities.

4.5. Scientific Studies and Research Projects

4.5.1 - Is there adequate knowledge (scientific or traditional) about the values of the World Heritage property to support planning, management and decision-making to ensure that Outstanding Universal Value is maintained?

Knowledge about the values of the World Heritage property is **sufficient**

4.5.2 - Is there a planned programme of research at the property which is directed towards management

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needs and / or improving understanding of Outstanding Universal Value?

There is a **comprehensive, integrated programme of research**, which is relevant to management needs and / or improving understanding of Outstanding Universal Value

4.5.3 - Are results from research programmes disseminated?

Research results are **shared with local participants and some national agencies**

4.5.4 - Please provide details (i.e. authors, title, and web link) of papers published about the World Heritage property since the last Periodic Report

"Measured Drawings of the Historic Centre of Macao", authored and published by the Cultural Affairs Bureau (23.07.2010); - "Os mistérios da Fachada Mater Dei" ("The misteries of St. Paul's Façade"), by Louis Antonin Berchier (28.07.2010)

4.5.5 - Comments, conclusions and / or recommendations related to scientific studies and research projects

All conservation projects are preceded by in-depth research studies and scientific tests, ensuring the consistency of programs and the compatibility of materials and techniques in regard to maintaining authenticity. Such studies are continuously updated and constitute a rich database for future professional and academic endeavors, also contributing towards relevant technical publications.

4.6. Education, Information and Awareness Building

4.6.1 - At how many locations is the World Heritage emblem displayed at the property?

In **many locations and easily visible** to visitors

4.6.2 - Please rate the awareness and understanding of the existence and justification for inscription of the World Heritage property amongst the following groups

Local communities / residents	Average
Local / Municipal authorities within or adjacent to the property	Excellent
Local Indigenous peoples	Average
Local landowners	Average
Visitors	Average
Tourism industry	Excellent
Local businesses and industries	Average

4.6.3 - Is there a planned education and awareness programme linked to the values and management of the World Heritage property?

There is a planned education and awareness programme but it only **partly meets the needs** and could be improved

4.6.4 - What role, if any, has designation as a World Heritage property played with respect to education, information and awareness building activities?

World Heritage status has been an **important influence** on education, information and awareness building activities

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4.6.5 - How well is the information on Outstanding Universal Value of the property presented and interpreted?

The Outstanding Universal Value of the property is adequately presented and interpreted **but improvements could be made**

4.6.6 - Please rate the adequacy for education, information and awareness building of the following visitor facilities and services at the World Heritage property

Visitor centre	Adequate
Site museum	Excellent
Information booths	Adequate
Guided tours	Adequate
Trails / routes	Adequate
Information materials	Adequate
Transportation facilities	Poor
Other	Adequate

4.6.7 - Comments, conclusions and / or recommendations related to education, information and awareness building

The vision for the education, information and awareness of the World Heritage property is aimed at providing quality visitor experiences that are based on well research interpretative materials and a progressively more complete presentation of the OUV.

4.7. Visitor Management

4.7.1 - Please provide the trend in annual visitation for the last five years

Last year	Minor Increase
Two years ago	Static
Three years ago	Minor Increase
Four years ago	Minor Increase
Five years ago	Static

4.7.2 - What information sources are used to collect trend data on visitor statistics?

Entry tickets and registries
Accommodation establishments
Transportation services
Tourism industry
Visitor surveys
Other

4.7.3 - Visitor management documents

Comment

Several studies have been conducted in regard to optimal carrying capacity and visitor management. The gathered information serves as useful indicative guidelines for visitor management practices.

4.7.4 - Is there an appropriate visitor use management plan (e.g. specific plan) for the World Heritage property which ensures that its Outstanding Universal Value is maintained?

Visitor use of the World Heritage property is managed **but improvements could be made**

4.7.5 - Does the tourism industry contribute to improving visitor experiences and maintaining the values of the World Heritage property?

There is **limited co-operation** between those responsible for the World Heritage property and the tourism industry to present the Outstanding Universal Value and increase appreciation

4.7.6 - If fees (i.e. entry charges, permits) are collected, do they contribute to the management of the World Heritage property?

No fees are collected

4.7.7 - Comments, conclusions and / or recommendations related to visitor use of the World Heritage property

There is a visitor management strategy directed at channeling mass tourism, linked to the local gaming industry, away from the historic city centre, in order to reduce crowd pressure inside the inscribed property. Visitor management relating to the World Heritage property is also focused on providing quality interpretation materials, focusing on quality of experience, instead of quantity of visitors.

4.8. Monitoring

4.8.1 - Is there a monitoring programme at the property which is directed towards management needs and / or improving understanding of Outstanding Universal Value?

There is a **comprehensive, integrated** programme of monitoring, which is relevant to management needs and / or improving understanding of Outstanding Universal Value

4.8.2 - Are key indicators for measuring the state of conservation used to monitor how the Outstanding Universal Value of the property is maintained?

Information on the values of the World Heritage property is sufficient and key indicators have been defined but **monitoring the status of indicators could be improved**

4.8.3 - Please rate the level of involvement in monitoring of the following groups

World Heritage managers / coordinators and staff	Excellent
Local / Municipal authorities	Excellent
Local communities	Average
Researchers	Average
NGOs	Excellent
Industry	Average
Local indigenous peoples	Average

4.8.4 - Has the State Party implemented relevant recommendations arising from the World Heritage Committee?

Implementation is **underway**

4.8.5 - Please provide comments relevant to the implementation of recommendations from the World Heritage Committee

Following recommendations connected to decision 33 COM 7B.67, relevant government bodies have put forward a comprehensive legislative reform, including a new Heritage

Law that is expected to be approved within the current year of 2011 and a new urban plan that is also underway, enabling a comprehensive response to the recommendations received.

4.8.6 - Comments, conclusions and / or recommendations related to monitoring

The local Cultural Affairs Bureau accompanies most of the monitoring projects inside the inscribed property. Other monitoring tasks, such as visitor monitoring and carrying capacity studies are supported by other administrative agencies, such as the local Tourism Studies Institute. General surveys are conducted by the Statistic and Census Bureau.

4.9. Identification of Priority Management Needs

4.9.1 - Please select the top 6 managements needs for the property (if more than 6 are listed below)

Please refer to question 5.2

5. Summary and Conclusions

5.1. Summary - Factors affecting the Property

5.1.1 - Summary - Factors affecting the Property

	World Heritage criteria and attributes affected	Actions	Monitoring	Timeframe	Lead agency (and others involved)	More info / comment	
3.1	Buildings and Development						
3.1.1	Housing	Some impact on the visual integrity of the property.	1) Implementation of new regulations associated to Chief Executive Directives 202/2006 and 83/2008.2) Finalizing the New Heritage Law in 2011.3) New Urban Plan underway.	The local government is monitoring development pressures more closely in light of new regulations. Site managers are involved in project appraisals and are contributing to the establishment of conditions for the upcoming new urban plan.	On-going (2011 and beyond 2012).	Macao Government, including Cultural Affairs Bureau (IC) , Public Works Office (DSSOT) and Municipal and Civic Affairs Institute (IACM).	The cumulative articulation of new regulations and legal frameworks is an effective basis to control future development pressures.
3.1.2	Commercial development	Some impact on the visual integrity of the property.	1) Implementation of new regulations associated to Chief Executive Directives 202/2006 and 83/2008.2) Finalizing the New Heritage Law in 2011.3) New Urban Plan underway.	The local government is monitoring development pressures more closely in light of new regulations. Site managers are involved in project appraisals and are contributing to the establishment of conditions for the upcoming new urban plan.	On-going (2011 and beyond 2012).	Macao Government, including Cultural Affairs Bureau (IC) , Public Works Office (DSSOT) and Municipal and Civic Affairs Institute (IACM).	The cumulative articulation of new regulations and legal frameworks is an effective basis to control future development pressures.
3.8	Social/cultural uses of heritage						
3.8.6	Impacts of tourism / visitor / recreation	Some impact on accessibility and circulation.	Carrying capacity studies / creation of alternative public spaces in other parts of the city with the aim of decongesting the historic centre / Diversification of local tourism industry.	Gathering of related statistical data.	Continuous actions.	Macao Government, including local Tourism Office (DST) and Cultural Affairs Bureau (IC).	Large capacity venues are located away from the historic centre, in the perimeter of the Peninsula and land-reclaimed areas.

5.2. Summary - Management Needs

5.2.2 - Summary - Management Needs

Answers provided have not outlined any serious management need.

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5.3. Conclusions on the State of Conservation of the Property

5.3.1 - Current state of Authenticity

The authenticity of the World Heritage property has been **preserved**

5.3.2 - Current state of Integrity

The integrity of the World Heritage property is **intact**

5.3.3 - Current state of the World Heritage property's Outstanding Universal Value

The World Heritage property's Outstanding Universal Value has been **maintained**.

5.3.4 - Current state of the property's other values

Other important cultural and / or natural values and the state of conservation of the World Heritage property are **predominantly intact**

5.4. Additional comments on the State of Conservation of the Property

5.4.1 - Comments

Conservation projects follow strict procedures, with in-depth research studies and scientific analysis performed prior to the execution of heritage conservation works, ensuring the maintenance of physical integrity and authenticity, as much as possible. Great attention is also given to the consistency of new functions in adaptive re-use projects.

6. World Heritage Status and Conclusions on Periodic Reporting Exercise

6.1 - Please rate the impacts of World Heritage status of the property in relation to the following areas

Conservation	Very positive
Research and monitoring	Positive
Management effectiveness	Positive
Quality of life for local communities and indigenous peoples	Positive
Recognition	Very positive
Education	Positive
Infrastructure development	Very positive
Funding for the property	Very positive
International cooperation	Positive
Political support for conservation	Very positive
Legal / Policy framework	Very positive
Lobbying	Positive
Institutional coordination	Positive
Security	Positive
Other (please specify)	Positive

6.2 - Comments, conclusions and / or recommendations related to World Heritage status

World heritage status has brought a greater awareness regarding the importance of heritage preservation, within the general community, while also improving quality visitor experiences. There is a greater level of professionalism and

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best practice conduct in conservation works, also improving related fields, including management effectiveness, research studies, interpretation support, creation of training opportunities and new conservation related jobs, among other relevant changes.

6.3 - Entities involved in the preparation of this Section of the Periodic Report

Governmental institution responsible for the property
Site Manager/Coordinator/World Heritage property staff

6.4 - Was the Periodic Reporting questionnaire easy to use and clearly understandable?

yes

6.5 - Please provide suggestions for improvement of the Periodic Reporting questionnaire

Character-count restrictions was found to be somewhat limiting.

6.6 - Please rate the level of support for completing the Periodic Report questionnaire from the following entities

UNESCO	Good
State Party Representative	Very good
Advisory Body	Very good

6.7 - How accessible was the information required to complete the Periodic Report?

All required information was accessible

6.8 - The Periodic Reporting process has improved the understanding of the following

The World Heritage Convention
The concept of Outstanding Universal Value
The property's Outstanding Universal Value
The concept of Integrity and / or Authenticity
The property's Integrity and / or Authenticity
Managing the property to maintain the Outstanding Universal Value
Monitoring and reporting
Management effectiveness

6.9 - Please rate the follow-up to conclusions and recommendations from previous Periodic Reporting exercise by the following entities

UNESCO	Not Applicable
State Party	Not Applicable
Site Managers	Not Applicable
Advisory Bodies	Not Applicable

6.10 - Summary of actions that will require formal consideration by the World Heritage Committee

• Statement of Outstanding Universal Value / Statement of Significance

Reason for update: The statement of OUV was revised following recommendations noted in Decision 33 COM.7B.67 and the retrospective statement of OUV of Historic Centre of Macao has been sent to the World Heritage Centre for examination by 1 February 2011.

6.11 - Comments, conclusions and / or recommendations related to the Assessment of the Periodic Reporting exercise

Regular periodic reports can enhance scientific knowledge about the World Heritage property and continuously improve related management experience, ultimately contributing to ensure the permanence of the OUV, including maintenance of the conditions of integrity and authenticity.