

1. World Heritage Property Data

1.1 - Name of World Heritage Property

Comment

Torre de Hércules / Tower of Hercules (this information is actually available in the WHC web page. This is also applicable to the following questions.) See: <http://whc.unesco.org/en/list/1312/>

1.2 - World Heritage Property Details

Comment

Tower of Hercules (Spain) C 1312 Year of inscription on the WHL: 2009 Criteria (iii) See: <http://whc.unesco.org/en/list/1312/>

1.3 - Geographic Information Table

Comment

Country: Spain Region: Galicia Province: A Coruña City Council: A Coruña Lat. 43o 23' 13" N / Long. 8o 24' 17" W See: <http://whc.unesco.org/en/list/1312/>

1.4 - Map(s)

Comment

See: http://whc.unesco.org/en/list/1312/multiple=1&unique_number=1616

1.5 - Governmental Institution Responsible for the Property

Comment

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1.6 - Property Manager / Coordinator, Local Institution / Agency

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1.7 - Web Address of the Property (if existing)

Comment

www.torredeherculesacoruna.com
<http://www.mcu.es/patrimonio/MC/PatrimonioMundial/BienesD ec/ListadoBienes/TorreHercules.html>

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

2. Statement of Outstanding Universal Value

2.1 - Statement of Outstanding Universal Value / Statement of Significance

Comment

The Tower of Hercules is testimony of the use of lighthouses in antiquity. The Tower is also proof of the permanence of the Atlantic route ever since it was first organised by the Romans, during a large part of the Middle Ages, and through to its considerable development in the modern and contemporary eras. The architectural integrity of the property, in the sense of a structurally complete building, and its functional integrity are satisfactory. Please see nomination file.

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

Comment

Criterion (iii)

2.3 - Attributes expressing the Outstanding Universal Value per criterion

Built in the 1st century CE or at the beginning of the following century, the Tower of Hercules bears witness to the development of the sea routes linking the Mediterranean with north-west Europe from Roman times and their continuation over almost two thousand years. The tower was used as a lighthouse during the Roman Empire, and with less certainty in the High Middle Ages. It underwent exemplary and very careful architectural restoration at the hands of E. Giannini at the end of 18th century.

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

The statement should not be revised.

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

The statement of Outstanding Universal Value is suitable.

3. Factors Affecting the Property

3.14. Other factor(s)

3.14.1 - Other factor(s)

All the relevant factors have been considered.

3.15. Factors Summary Table

3.15.1 - Factors summary table

	Name	Impact				Origin
3.1	Buildings and Development					
3.1.1	Housing					
3.1.5	Interpretative and visitation facilities					
3.2	Transportation Infrastructure					
3.2.1	Ground transport infrastructure					
3.2.3	Marine transport infrastructure					
3.2.4	Effects arising from use of transportation infrastructure					
3.4	Pollution					
3.4.1	Pollution of marine waters					
3.4.4	Air pollution					
3.7	Local conditions affecting physical fabric					
3.7.1	Wind					
3.7.2	Relative humidity					
3.7.5	Dust					
3.7.6	Water (rain/water table)					
3.7.8	Micro-organisms					
3.8	Social/cultural uses of heritage					
3.8.2	Society's valuing of heritage					
3.8.5	Identity, social cohesion, changes in local population and community					
3.8.6	Impacts of tourism / visitor / recreation					
3.9	Other human activities					
3.9.2	Deliberate destruction of heritage					
3.10	Climate change and severe weather events					
3.10.1	Storms					
3.10.6	Temperature change					
3.11	Sudden ecological or geological events					
3.11.5	Erosion and siltation/ deposition					
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	
3.7	Local conditions affecting physical fabric					
3.7.1	Wind	localised	frequent	minor	low capacity	static
3.7.2	Relative humidity	extensive	frequent	significant	medium capacity	static
3.7.6	Water (rain/water table)	extensive	frequent	significant	medium capacity	static
3.8	Social/cultural uses of heritage					
3.8.6	Impacts of tourism / visitor / recreation	localised	intermittent or sporadic	significant	medium capacity	static
3.10	Climate change and severe weather events					
3.10.1	Storms	extensive	intermittent or sporadic	minor	medium capacity	static
3.11	Sudden ecological or geological events					

	Spatial scale	Temporal scale	Impact	Management response	Trend
3.11.5 Erosion and siltation/ deposition	localised	intermittent or sporadic	minor	medium capacity	static

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

3.17.1 - Comments

On housing: the Town Hall is elaborating a Special Plan for the buffer zone, on which the municipal government has informed accurately and ICOMOS has already sent its own report. The tower satisfactorily withstood the 1755 earthquake. A modern lightning rod avoids any lightning risk and it is not considered there is any risk from climate change at present.

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

Boundaries and buffer zones are considered suitable.

4.2. Protective Measures

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

Comment

Law on Ports and Merchant Navy (27/1992); Laws on the Coastal Seaboard (22/1998, 158/2005 and 6/2007); Law of Spanish Heritage (16/1985); Laws governing territorial systems (7/1985 and 8/2007), the Regional Planning Law (9/2002) and the Law on the Cultural Heritage of Galicia (8/1995) entail obligations for the Government of the Autonomous Region of Galicia and for the Municipality of La

Coruña in terms of urban management, policing and protecting hisotrial and/or artistic heritage sites.

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 **excellent** capacity / resources to enforce legislation and / or regulation in the World Heritage property

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

The Tower of Hercules is a public property of the State. Its technical function as a lighthouse means that the exercise of this ownership right falls to the Ministry for Development which delegates its implementation to the A Coruña Port Authorities. The touristic management depends on the Municipal Council of the city of A Coruña through the Tourism Consortium of A Coruña. The protective measures are suitable.

4.3. Management System / Management Plan

4.3.1 - Management System

Comment

Plan Director y de Gestión de la Torre de Hércules 2012 (I y II)

4.3.2 - Management Documents

Comment

Plan Director y de Gestión de la Torre de Hércules 2012 (I y II)

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 **many activities** are being implemented

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	Not applicable
Landowners	Not applicable
Visitors	Good
Researchers	Fair
Tourism industry	Good
Industry	Not applicable

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 have **no input** into decisions relating to the 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?

No indigenous peoples are resident in or regularly using the World Heritage property and / or buffer zone

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 **little or no contact** 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

The human resources are well trained and have a deep knowledge on the characteristics of the monument. In addition, they speak in a great variety of languages (ten languages altogether), so the visitors find the relationship with our tourist guides easy and pleasant.

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

There has been no change in the legal status or protective measures and management arrangements for the WH property since inscription.

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)	33%
Governmental (Regional / Provincial / State)	0%
Governmental (Local / Municipal)	34%
In country donations (NGO's, foundations, etc)	0%
Individual visitor charges (e.g. entry, parking, camping fees, etc.)	33%
Commercial operator payments (e.g. filming permit, concessions, etc.)	0%
Other grants	0%

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

Comment

None.

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

The available budget is **acceptable** but could be further improved to fully meet the management needs

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?

There is **basic** maintenance of equipment and facilities

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

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

Full-time	98%
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Part-time	2%
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4.4.10 - Distribution of employees involved in managing the World Heritage property (% of total)

Permanent	75%
Seasonal	25%

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

Paid	100%
Volunteer	0%

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

Human resources are **adequate** for management needs

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	Fair
Promotion	Fair
Community outreach	Fair
Interpretation	Good
Education	Good
Visitor management	Good
Conservation	Fair
Administration	Good
Risk preparedness	Poor
Tourism	Good
Enforcement (custodians, police)	Not applicable

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	Low
Promotion	Low
Community outreach	Low
Interpretation	Low
Education	Low
Visitor management	Low
Conservation	Low
Administration	Low
Risk preparedness	Medium
Tourism	Low
Enforcement (custodians, police)	Not applicable

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

At present, the current human resources of the Tourism Consortium for the Tower of Hercules are: a museographic professional as manager; nine guides informers (three of them

working only in summer) and two employees dedicated to cleaning tasks.

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** for most key areas **but there are gaps**

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

There is **considerable** research but it is **not directed** towards 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 partners** but there is no active outreach to national or international 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

No relevant paper has been published since the inscription of the monument in the WHL, but journalistic reports on up-to-date issues.

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

Some researchers have been working on the monument during the drafting of the Management Plan I. Those papers are included in the Management Plans I and II. In addition, www.traianus.net has published Manuel Durán last research on the ancient lantern.

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	Excellent
Local / Municipal authorities within or adjacent to the property	Excellent
Local Indigenous peoples	Not applicable
Local landowners	Not applicable
Visitors	Average
Tourism industry	Excellent
Local businesses and industries	Excellent

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

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	Not provided but needed
Information booths	Not needed
Guided tours	Excellent
Trails / routes	Not needed
Information materials	Adequate
Transportation facilities	Adequate
Other	Not needed

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

Last year, the Tower of Hercules received about 3.000 students who visited the monument with their professors. The way the visits are managed (with interest for every particular need expressed by the professors) and the wealth that the monument offers regarding contents, are increasing the amount of educational visits.

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	Decreasing
Three years ago	Decreasing
Four years ago	Minor Increase
Five years ago	Minor Increase

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

Entry tickets and registries
Visitor surveys

4.7.3 - Visitor management documents

Comment

All the visits are registered according to their origin and kind of ticket.

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 **effectively managed** and does not impact its Outstanding Universal Value

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

There is **excellent 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?

The fee is collected and makes a **substantial contribution** to the management of the World Heritage property

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

A more balanced distribution of the visits throughout the year, would be desirable.

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 **small amount** of monitoring, but it is not planned

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	Average
Local / Municipal authorities	Average
Local communities	Not applicable
Researchers	Not applicable
NGOs	Not applicable
Industry	Not applicable
Local indigenous peoples	Not applicable

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

The local authorities are sensible to the recommendations arising from the World Heritage Committee. From the inclusion of the Tower of Hercules in the WHL the City Hall and the

Consortium have made an important effort to improve, mainly, the management of the monument and its preventive maintenance.

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

We are doing an effort on this field, but concerning preventive maintenance, an improvement is always necessary.

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

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	World Heritage criteria and attributes affected	Actions	Monitoring	Timeframe	Lead agency (and others involved)	More info / comment	
3.7	Local conditions affecting physical fabric						
3.7.1	Wind	The Tower of Hercules, refurbished in 1788, is the only Roman lighthouse in the world that survives. Due to the place where the Tower of Hercules is located, the wind affects the exterior walls, correspondent to the XVIII century (Giannini's works)	The Managing Plan proposes a selective consolidation of ashlar, specially those very damaged and those with high salinity. The plan of management also proposes the accomplishment of a wind study to identify the erosions and to foresee them.	The last analysis of the state of conservation of the fronts was conducted in 2009 and its conclusions have been included in the Managing Plan I.	The Managing Plan considers that the actions against wind are to be taken between 2012 and 2022.	Consortorio de Turismo y Congresos de A Coruña / Town Hall	No comment.
3.7.2	Relative humidity	The Tower of Hercules is the only Roman lighthouse that still survives. The interior walls, belonging to the Roman period, and the archaeological site are the most ancient zones of the monument and the most damaged by the dampness.	Periodic maintenance: Ventilation, cleanliness of spots and biological settlings, study of the environmental conditions, review of joints.	Each six month, by means of temperature and humidity data loggers.	Permanent task.	Consortorio de Turismo y Congresos.	No comment.
3.7.6	Water (rain/water table)	The Tower of Hercules is the only Roman lighthouse that still survives, after being refurbished in 1788. There are water infiltrations and dampness due to capillarity, specially in the last body (Sala Giannini, XVIII), in the dome and in the stairs	Permanent maintenance.	Follow-up of the interior and exterior humidity variations higrométricas, by means of temperature and humidity data loggers.	Permanent task.	Consortorio de Turismo y Congresos.	No comment.
3.8	Social/cultural uses of heritage						
3.8.6	Impacts of tourism / visitor / recreation	The monument absorbs without difficulty the presence of visitors. Nevertheless they can produce signs of wear in the materials and equipments can help to increase the condensations and biological settlings.	Limitation of the entry, control of the access and behavior, educational labors, constant tasks of cleanliness and maintenance, vigilance.	Permanent monitoring by means of direct observation and persons" accounting by mechanical means.	Permanent task.	Consortorio de Turismo y Congresos	No comment.
3.10	Climate change and severe weather events						
3.10.1	Storms	The place where the monument is located has always been open to storms.	The actions will be defined in the self-protection plan that is being drawn up.	There is a daily monitoring during winter. The self-protection plan will give a fixed calendar.	The self-protection plan will be applied in the next two month.	Tourism Consortium of A Coruña.	No comment.
3.11	Sudden ecological or geological events						
3.11.5	Erosion and siltation/ deposition	The erosion takes place because the climatic change according to the orientation of the bulding. This erosion is caused by the wind and by saline assault.	The conditions have been analysed in 2009 and there is a report included in Management Plan I. The MP suggests to do a study of the dominant winds and their evolution in the environment of the monument in order to identify the erosions.	There is no monitoring plan for this factor in the MP	2012-2022	Town Hall / Consortium	No comment

5.2. Summary - Management Needs

5.2.2 - Summary - Management Needs

4.3 Management System / Management Plan					
		Actions	Timeframe	Lead agency (and others involved)	More info / comment
4.3.8	Local communities have no input into management decisions	The management plan suggests a program of public participation in order to a better knowledge of the contents of the site.	2012-2022	Consortium	The present governing bodies of the monument do not include public participation on management decisions.
4.3.10	There is little or no contact with industry regarding management	The Tourism Consortium governing-bodies include industry through the industry through the local Chamber of Commerce.	2012-2022	Tourism Consortium	The local Chamber of Commerce is represented in the Consortium governing-bodies.
4.5 Scientific Studies and Research Projects					
4.5.3	No active outreach of research results to national or international agencies	The MP includes a Resear Plan, with its own investigation lines, awards and disclosure.	2012-2022	City Hall - Consortium	We are trying to call the attention of universities by contacting directly with them.
4.8 Monitoring					
4.8.1	Some monitoring, but it is not planned	The MP suggests monitoring on winds, eventual structural damage and climatic conditions.	2012-2020	Tourism Consortium	There is Inner monitoring climatic conditions of humidity and temperatures since 2012.

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

The Tower of Hercules has been built about 2.000 years ago and restored in the 18th. Century. The studies made to develop the Management Plans I and II say that the state of conservation of the property is exceptionally good.

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	Positive
Research and monitoring	Positive
Management effectiveness	Positive
Quality of life for local communities and indigenous peoples	Very positive
Recognition	Positive
Education	Positive
Infrastructure development	Positive
Funding for the property	Positive
International cooperation	Negative
Political support for conservation	Positive
Legal / Policy framework	Positive
Lobbying	Positive
Institutional coordination	Positive
Security	Positive
Other (please specify)	Not applicable

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

I have no comment.

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

Site Manager/Coordinator/World Heritage property staff
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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

I have no suggestion. It has been an easy task and also a useful exercise of reflection on the situation of the monument.

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

UNESCO	Very 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

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

- Name of World Heritage Property**
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- Map(s)**
Reason for update: See: http://whc.unesco.org/en/list/1312/multiple=1&unique_number=1616

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

To fulfil the Assessment of the PR we used the technical documents included in the Management Plans and the data given to UNESCO when initiating the process to include the monument in the WHL. The tower is still operational as a lighthouse and indicates the entrance to La Coruña Harbour, as it did in roman times. It is a paradigmatic case of an architectonic intervention due to the restoration project held by Giannini. In spite of its 2000 years, its state of conservation is really good.