#### 1. World Heritage Property Data

#### 1.1 - Name of World Heritage Property

Chief Roi Mata's Domain

## 1.2 - World Heritage Property Details State(s) Party(ies)

Vanuatu

#### **Type of Property**

cultural

#### **Identification Number**

1280

Year of inscription on the World Heritage List 2008

#### 1.3 - Geographic Information Table

Name	Coordinates	Property (ha)	Buffer zone (ha)	Total (ha)	Inscription year
Chief Roi Mata's Domain	-17.628 / 168.178	886.31	1275.42	2161.73	2008
Total (ha)		886.31	1275.42	2161.73	

#### 1.4 - Map(s)

Title		Link to source
Chief Roi Mata's Domain, Map of the inscribed property	23/01/2007	

### 1.5 - Governmental Institution Responsible for the Property

#### Comment

The Vanuatu Cultural Centre under the Ministry of Internal Affairs.

### 1.6 - Property Manager / Coordinator, Local Institution / Agency

Douglas Kalotiti

Site manager

#### Comment

change above contact to Brigitte Laboukly, Address and phone is correct, change email to laboukly@gmail.com. A new site manager will be appointed in the next 6-12 months. The World Heritage Centre will be provided with updated details when available.

#### 1.7 - Web Address of the Property (if existing)

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

#### Comment

No other conventions

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#### 2. Statement of Outstanding Universal Value

### 2.1 - Statement of Outstanding Universal Value / Statement of Significance

#### **Statement of Outstanding Universal Value**

The continuing cultural landscape of Chief Roi Mata's domain, Vanuatu, has Outstanding Universal Value as an outstanding example of a landscape representative of Pacific chiefly systems. This is reflected in the interaction of people with their environment over time in respecting the tangible remains associated with Roi Mata and being guided by the spiritual and moral legacy of his social reforms. The landscape reflects continuing Pacific chiefly systems and respect for this authority through tabu prohibitions on use of Roi Mata's residence and burial that have been observed for over 400 years and structured the local landscape and social practices. The landscape memorialises the deeds of Roi Mata who still lives for many people in contemporary Vanuatu as a source of power and inspiration.

Criterion (iii): Chief Roi Mata's Domain is a continuing cultural landscape reflecting the way chiefs derive their authority from previous title holders, and in particular how the tabu prohibitions on the use of Roi Mata's residence and burial site have been observed for 400 years and continue to structure the local landscape and social practices.

Criterion (v): Chief Roi Mata's Domain is an outstanding example of a landscape representative of Pacific chiefly systems and the connection between Pacific people and their environment over time reflected in respect for the tangible remains of the three key sites associated with Roi Mata, guided by the spiritual and moral legacy of his social reforms. Criterion (vi): Chief Roi Mata's Domain still lives for many people in contemporary Vanuatu, as a source of power evident through the landscape and as an inspiration for people negotiating their lives.

The authenticity of Chief Roi Mata's Domain lies in the continuing association of the landscape with the oral traditions of Roi Mata, continuity of chiefly systems of authority and customary respect for the tangible remains of his life evident in the continuing tabu prohibitions on these places. he legal protection of the nominated areas and their buffer zones are adequate. The overall management system for the property is adequate, involving both traditional management through the chiefly system and tabu prohibitions and government legislation for protection of the site. The management system involves the local community and government administrative bodies. The integrity of the site is thus maintained.

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

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- 2.3 Attributes expressing the Outstanding Universal Value per criterion
- 2.4 If needed, please provide details of why the Statement of Outstanding Universal Value should be revised
- 2.5 Comments, conclusions and / or recommendations related to Statement of Outstanding Universal Value
- 3. Factors Affecting the Property
- 3.14. Other factor(s)
- 3.14.1 Other factor(s)

There are no other factors to be listed for this section.

#### 3.15. Factors Summary Table

#### 3.15.1 - Factors summary table

5.10.1 - 1 dotors summary table	Name	Impact				Origin
3.1	Building	s and De	evelopme	ent		
3.1.1 Housing				9		F
3.1.3 Industrial areas						F
3.1.5 Interpretative and visitation facilities	<b>()</b>			9	•	
3.2	Transpor	rtation lı	nfrastruc	ture		
3.2.1 Ground transport infrastructure					•	
3.2.3 Marine transport infrastructure				A		F
3.2.4 Effects arising from use of transportation infrastructure						F
3.4	Pollution	1				
3.4.1 Pollution of marine waters						F
3.5	Biologica	al resou		nodifica	ition	
3.5.1 Fishing/collecting aquatic resources			9		<b>(</b>	F
3.5.3 Land conversion				9	•	F
3.5.5 Crop production	<b>()</b>		<b>I</b>			F
3.5.7 Subsistence wild plant collection	0		9			F
3.5.9 Subsistence hunting	<b>①</b>		<b>A</b>		•	
3.5.10 Forestry /wood production	<b>()</b>		M			F
3.7	Local co	nditions	affecting	g physic	cal fabr	ic
3.7.5 Dust					<b>(</b>	
3.7.7 Pests			<b>A</b>		•	
3.7.8 Micro-organisms			M		•	
3.8	Social/cu	iltural u	ses of he	eritage		
3.8.1 Ritual / spiritual / religious and associative uses	<b>(1)</b>				•	
3.8.2 Society's valuing of heritage	<b>(</b>				<b>(</b>	F
3.8.3 Indigenous hunting, gathering and collecting	<b>①</b>		<b>A</b>		•	
3.8.4 Changes in traditional ways of life and knowledge system	<b>()</b>				•	F
3.8.5 Identity, social cohesion, changes in local population and community	0		M		•	
3.8.6 Impacts of tourism / visitor / recreation	<b>O</b>		A		•	
3.9	Other hu	man act	ivities			
3.9.2 Deliberate destruction of heritage						C
3.10	Climate o	hange a	and seve	re weatl	her eve	nts
3.10.1 Storms				9	•	
3.11	Sudden	ecologic		ological	_	
3.11.2 Earthquake		9		-00	•	
3.11.3 Tsunami/tidal wave				9	•	
3.11.4 Avalanche/ landslide				9	•	
3.12	Invasive/	alien sp		hyper-a	-	t species
3.12.2 Invasive/alien terrestrial species					( <u>0</u> )	
3.12.4 Invasive / alien marine species					•	
3.13 2.13.1 Low impact research / monitoring activities	Managen	nent and		ional fac	_	
3.13.1 Low impact research / monitoring activities	0	-			(e)	
3.13.3 Management activities	0	<u> </u>			•	
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#### 3.16. Assessment of current negative factors

#### 3.16.1 - Assessment of current negative factors

		Spatial scale	Temporal scale	Impact	Management	Trend
3.4	Pollution				response	
			1	T	1	T
3.4.1	Pollution of marine waters	localised	one off or rare	insignificant	high capacity	static
3.5	Biological resource use/modification		·			
3.5.1	Fishing/collecting aquatic resources	localised	intermittent or sporadic	insignificant	low capacity	increasing
3.7	Local conditions affecting physical fa	bric				
3.7.5	Dust	localised	intermittent or sporadic	minor	medium capacity	static
3.7.7	Pests					
3.7.8	Micro-organisms					
3.9	Other human activities		•			
3.9.2	Deliberate destruction of heritage					
3.11	Sudden ecological or geological even	ts	•			
3.11.2	Earthquake	localised	intermittent or sporadic	minor	low capacity	increasing
3.12	Invasive/alien species or hyper-abund	ant species				<u> </u>
3.12.2	Invasive/alien terrestrial species	localised	intermittent or sporadic	minor	high capacity	increasing
3.12.4	Invasive / alien marine species					

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

#### 3.17.1 - Comments

No factors are having are threatening or negatively impacting on the Outstanding Universal Value of the site. Some invasive species have the potential to encroach on core area sites but these are being controlled effectively by the community management body.

### 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 indigenous groups and communities living in the Buffer Zone are very aware of both the Buffer Zone and the Core area but the exact boundaries of the two areas are not widely known.

#### 4.2. Protective Measures

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

#### Comment

The CRMD Site is continues to have traditional protection, governed by the Lelema Council of Chiefs and the custom laws associated with their authority. A Physical planning

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process is underway for gazettal in provincial legeslation providing further protection. A Council of Ministers decision has been reached to protect the sites in the core area under the Preservation of Sites and Artefacts Act. Work is underway to gazette the sites as per the council decision.

# 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?

An adequate legal framework for the maintenance of the Outstanding Universal Value including conditions of Authenticity and / or Integrity of the World Heritage property exists but there are **some deficiencies in implementation** 

# 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?

An adequate legal framework for the maintenance of the Outstanding Universal Value including conditions of Authenticity and / or Integrity of the World Heritage property exists but there are **some deficiencies in implementation** 

# 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?

An **adequate** legal framework exists for the area surrounding the World Heritage property and the buffer zone, but **there are some deficiencies in its implementation** which undermine the maintenance of the Outstanding Universal Value including conditions of Authenticity and / or Integrity of the property

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

There are **major deficiencies** in 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

In 2009 the Preservation of Sites and Artefacts Act was amended to increase penalties for destruction of the sites, stengthening protection over listed sites. Legal work continues to ensure that CRMD and any other properties inscribed in the futture are effectively protected.

#### 4.3. Management System / Management Plan

#### 4.3.1 - Management System

#### Comment

CRMD remains under custom ownerhip which means the authority to manage the site resides with the land-owners and chiefs of that area. The Property is managed by a committee called the Lelema World Heritage and Tourism Committee. This committee is appointed by the land-owning chiefs of the core area . The guidlines and direction for the work and management of the site comes from the Plan of Management and the Cultural Tourism Strategy and Buffer Zone Management and Development Framework.

#### 4.3.2 - Management Documents

Title	Status	Available		Link to source
Plan of Management for Chief Roi Mata's Domain	In Force	Available	24/01/2007	æ

# 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 coordination between the range of administrative bodies / levels involved in the management of the property **but it could be improved** 

## 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 only partially being implemented

## 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	Good
Landowners	Good
Visitors	Fair
Researchers	Good
Tourism industry	Fair
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 **participate** in all relevant decisions relating to management, i.e. co-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 participate in all relevant decisions relating to management, i.e. co-management

# 4.3.10 - Is there cooperation with industry (i.e. forestry, mining, agriculture, etc.) regarding the management of the World Heritage property, buffer

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### 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

There are MOU's between the community management body and some of key provincial and national departments to facilitate management and protection. These include one in relation to physical planning and zoning for the Buffer Zone. These continue to develop and strengthen as work progresses with governance activities. There is limited industry in the vacinity of the site, contact and engagement is made on an as needs basis as issues arise or new industries

# 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

Since listing there has been significant work undertaken to act on the Council of Ministers (DATE)??) decision to formally protect the core area under the Preservation of Sites and Artefacts act, but some legal administrative issues have slowed progress. Signfiicant progress has been made by the government in the process of acquirring the lease currently on Artok Island, this is a lengthy process with significant negotiations but work continues towards full acquisition of the lease.

#### 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)	20%
International donations (NGO's, foundations, etc)	0%
Governmental (National / Federal)	5%
Governmental (Regional / Provincial / State)	0%
Governmental (Local / Municipal)	0%
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.)	5%
Other grants	70%

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

Title	Year	Amount	Link to source
Chief Roi Mata's Domain (CRMD) Buffer Zone Land Use Planning and Heritage Management Project	2009	30000.00	B
Total		30000	

### 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?

Existing sources of funding are not secure

# 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 **some** adequate equipment and facilities, but deficiencies in at least one key area **constrain** management at the World Heritage property

### 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

Budget available from government is currently insufficient for managing the Site and administration of the convention but additional international funding and grants has enabled work to continue. A governance project is underway to discuss allocation of a permenant recurring budget for World Heritage with additional assistance for specific projects from international and multilateral donars.

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

Full-time	0%
Part-time	100%

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

Permanent	12%
Seasonal	88%

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

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	Paid				20%
,	Volunteer				80%

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

A range of human resources exist, but these are **below optimum** to manage the World Heritage Property.

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

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Research and monitoring	Good
Promotion	Fair
Community outreach	Good
Interpretation	Good
Education	Fair
Visitor management	Good

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Conservation	Good
Administration	Fair
Risk preparedness	Poor
Tourism	Good
Enforcement (custodians, police)	Fair

# 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	Low
Community outreach	High
Interpretation	High
Education	Medium
Visitor management	High
Conservation	Medium
Administration	Medium
Risk preparedness	Low
Tourism	High
Enforcement (custodians, police)	Low

# 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 partially implemented; some technical skills are being transferred to those managing the property locally but most of the technical work is carried out by external staff

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

Note that there is only one permanent staff member for World Heritage management and their role also includes maintenance of the National Heritage Register. There are 8 positions as part of the community management body, the Lelema World Heritage and Tourism Committee. This Committee is largely voluntry with some remuneration for specific workshops and meetings. There have been 7 international volunteers in 5 years. There are no other formal positions for WH in government.

#### 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 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 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

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

At this stage scientific research associated with the Site is limited, although it has been used as a case study in a number of projects.

## 4.6. Education, Information and Awareness Building

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

Not displayed at all

# 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	Poor
Local Indigenous peoples	Average
Local landowners	Average
Visitors	Excellent
Tourism industry	Excellent
Local businesses and industries	Poor

# 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 influenced education, information and awareness building activities, but it could be improved

# 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 **not adequately** presented and interpreted

# 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	Not provided but needed
Site museum	Excellent

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

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

There is funding already acquired for sinage and awareness raising activities. This funding includes a Guide Book for the site.

#### 4.7. Visitor Management

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

Last year	Static
Two years ago	Minor Increase
Three years ago	Major Increase (100%+)
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	
Tourism industry	
Visitor surveys	

#### 4.7.3 - Visitor management documents

Title		Link to source
Cultural Tourism Strategy for Chief Roi Mata's Domain	23/01/2007	æ

# 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 contact between those responsible for the World Heritage property and the tourism industry but this is largely confined to administrative or regulatory matters

# 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 **some 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

The contribution of the visitor's fees to the management is limited. There is small profit made of the tour in it's current state and this contributes to the allowances of the Lelema World Heritage Tourism Committee, travelling allowances for promotion and payments for tour insurance payments. Bropader infrustructure for the protection of the Site as been funded through the Australia Pacific Focal Point and the UNESCO Australian Funds-In-Trust.

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

# 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

Projects completed in relation to ICOMOS recommnedations include: Buffer Zone Management Plan and Development Framework.

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

#### 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
3.4	Pollution						
3.4.1	Pollution of marine waters	none	Marine water is being polluted by boat fuels and rubbish from nearby villlages. This effect of this factor id minimal.	This is being monitored by the World Heritage Tourism committee.	It Can be resolved through more awareness of the significane of protecting the maring areas. timeframe is unknown	World Heritage and Tourism Committee	The pollution of marine waters is very minimal and is not a thred to the site.
3.5	Biological resource	e use/modification					
3.5.1	Fishing/collecting aquatic resources	none	The removal of marine resouces for oversea export.	This activity was monitored by the village chief and also the area council of chiefs.	This activity has already ceased two years ago.	Chiefs and area council of chiefs	This activity is no longer a threat to the site as it has already ceased.
3.7	Local conditions a	affecting physical fa	bric				
3.7.5	Dust	none	contiunous tectonic movements has cause the the structure of the Fels cave to collapse in 2002 and also frequent earthquakes have caused dust to cover rock art drawing sin the cave.	the World Heritage Tourism Committee is continuously monitoring the cave.	This is a continious threat as earthquakes are frequent and of different magnitudes.	World Heritage Tourism Committee and the dept of Geology and Mines.	This threat needs a detailed study to determine the extent or the possible of its increase.
3.11	Sudden ecologica	l or geological even	ts	!	•		•
3.11.2	Earthquake	refer to section 1 of this report	continious movements may cause significant damage to a core site, Fels Cave. Possibility of earthquakes producing a Tsunami must not be ignored.	Vanuatu Meteorological dept and also the World Heritage Tourism Committee	continious.	Vanuatu Meteorological dept and also the World Heritage Tourism Committee	Earthquake is a serious threat to the site and also the extent of its damage cannot be determined beforehand.
3.12	Invasive/alien spe	cies or hyper-abund	lant species				
3.12.2	Invasive/alien terrestrial species	none	weeds introduced to Artok Island before Independence have become a threat to other species ont he Island, but sgnificant measues has been taken to control this.	The growth is being monitored continiously by the World Heritage Tourism Committee during monthly cleaning of the site and the measure taken to remove the weeds are eco friendly and by the advise of the Forestry Dept.	continious	World Heritage Tourism Committee.	weeds introduced to Artok Island before Independence have become a threat to other species ont he Island, but sgnificant measues has been taken to control this.

#### 5.2. Summary - Management Needs

#### 5.2.2 - Summary - Management Needs

4.2 Pro	4.2 Protective Measures					
		Actions	Timeframe	Lead agency (and others involved)	More info / comment	
	capacity / resources to enforce	The preservation of Sites and Artifacts Act have been strengthened, but more enforcement is needed and can be provided through humas resources and also political will.	2010 - 2015	of Internal Affairs and State Law office.	Work is being undertaken to enforce the legistlation with the support of a legal advisor in the Vanuatu Cultural Centre until December 2011.	
4.3 Mar	nagement Syster	m / Management Plan				
		There is very little industrial activites int he area. The main activity is real estate subdivisions.	This is a continious need and that can only be dealt with once their is a better structure in place to manage industry.	Vanuatu Cultural Centre and World Heritage Tourism Committee.	The Pacific Public Sector Project currently carried out in Vanuatu will hopefully resolve this.	

### 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

## 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

Positive
Positive
No impact
Positive
Positive
No impact
No impact
Positive
Positive
No impact
Positive
No impact
No impact
No impact
Not applicable

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

There is recognition of Vanuatu in the Pacific group as a leader in Community Management of World Heritage Site.

## 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		
Staff from other World Heritage properties		
External experts		

#### Section II - Chief Roi Mata's Domain (1280)

Others

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

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

The Periodic report workshop in Cairns will provide suggestions upon completion of the workshop and a document will be provided to the WHC as part of Vanuatu's suggestions for improving the periodic report questionaire.

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

UNESCO	Poor
State Party Representative	Very good
Advisory Body	Poor

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

Most of the 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	None
State Party	None
Site Managers	None
Advisory Bodies	None

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

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

The Australian Government in collaboration with the Wet Tropics Management Authority has organised a much needed Periodic reporting workshop for PNG, Solomons, Kiribati and Vanuatu. Their expertise and support is valuable for the Pacific Islands with limited financial and technical support.