State of Conservation Report Um er-Rasas (Kastrom Mefa'a)



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Executive Summary

The State of Conservation of Um er-Rasas (Kastrom Mefa'a) is amongst the most important priorities of the Department of Antiquities (DoA), therefore, this State of Conservation report responds to Decision 43 COM 7B.47 of the World Heritage Committee and its requests. The report includes information on the following:

- The DoA's efforts in exploring a detailed work-plan, Public Use Plan and an archaeological research policy, that take into consideration the current archaeological and managerial needs and the availability of financial and human resources of the site, in addition to a description of the "Um er-Rasas Restoration and Maintenance Project" that was initiated by the Department of Antiquities.
- A brief description of the planned cooperation between the DoA and UNESCO Amman Office to conduct a preliminary research and redesign of structural consolidation of the Stylite Tower.
- The DoA's plan to initiate documenting the Castrum Fortification.
- The report also address the boundaries of the site and its Buffer zone.
- Lastly, the report mention in details the other conservation efforts carried out by the Department of Antiquities in the fields of Restoration and Maintenance, Site Interpretations, and Public Safety.