



The State of Libya

State of Conservation report

The archaeological site of Leptis Magna C 183

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Executive Summary:

The State Party (Libya) would like to express its gratitude to the World Heritage Committee (WHC) and its advisory bodies for the efforts and endeavors they have undertaken to monitor the status of the archaeological site of Leptis Magna (the property) in order to remove it from the World Heritage in Danger List.

This report has been prepared, in accordance with Annex 13 of the Operational Guidelines, for review in the upcoming 45th session of the World Heritage Committee Kazan, Russian Federation (19-30 June 2022).

The Department of Antiquities (DOA) will continue to make the WHC aware of the evolving status of the property, of any new measures taken to ensure its protection and preservation and provide detailed information on the work accomplished.

The DOA at Leptis Magna continues its struggle managing the vegetation growth at the site, with the most noticeable dangers to the site being the continuous sea encroachment on the circus area ; the sand accumulation around the Hunting Baths; and lack of resources.

The protection of the site was increased by adding a new metal fence in key areas of the core zone. The collection of sewage water in the Western side of the site continues to be an annual challenge that requires regular drainage, and work still undergoing to restore the wooden floor of the theatre.

The Department of Antiquities (DOA) would like to reiterate their invitation to a joint WHC / ICOMOS mission to assess the status of the property on site and to provide advice to the DOA.