


iv. **Property Name:**
NUBIAN MONUMENTS FROM ABU-SIMBEL TO PHILAE

II.1 Introduction

Egypt

- a. State Party: **Egypt**
- b. Name of the Property:
Nubien Monuments from Abu-Simbel to Philae
- c. Localisation:
Governorate of Aswan, Aswan town to Sudanese border
 Long. *31° 37'E* Lat. *22° 30'N*
- d. Date of inscription on the World Heritage List: *26 / 10 / 1979*
- e.
- Organisation *SUPREME COUNCIL OF ANTIQUITIES (SCA),*
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- f. Date of the report: *AUGUST 2000*
- g. Signature of behalf of the State Party:

PROF. DR. GABALLA ALI GABALLA
Secretary General of SCA


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II.2 Statement of significance

II.2.1 Information provided at the time of inscription

- a. Justification for the inscription provided by the State Party:
The archaeological zone extended from Aswan in the north to Sudanese border in the south. its monuments / temples from the New Kingdom to the Ptolemaic and Roman Periods as well as the early Christianity in Egypt (Coptic sites / monasteries) are well importance and unique.
 (see the report of 9.3.1979, WHC Idn. No.: 88)
- b. Criteria retained for the inscription: *C (i) (iii) (vi)*
- c. Observations made by the advisory body during evolution:
 - Owner: *Name and address not complete*
 - Legal status: *Lake of details*
 - Responsible administration: *mailing address*
 - Photographs: *to be identified in the body of the Nomination.*
- d. Observations made by the advisory body during evolution:
Such magnificent monuments as the temples of Ramesses II in Abu Simbel and the Sanctuary of Isis in Philae border this exceptional archaeological area. UNESCO saved both of them from the Nile rising waters thanks to the international Campaign launched.

II.2.2 Update of the statement of signification

- a. In the view of the State Party, does the statement of significance adequately reflect the world Heritage values of the property: *Yes*
- b. Is there cause to reconsider these values: *No*
- c. Does the delimitation of the World Heritage property seem adequate:
Yes
 Does the delimitation of the buffer zone seem adequate: *Yes*
- d. Is the State Party considering asking for a revision of the boundaries:
 ...
- e. New Statement of significance:
The monuments at the site are of great archaeological, architectural and artistic importance as well as for religion in ancient Egypt. (See "II.2.1.a" and "II.2.1.d")

II.3 Statement of authenticity / integrity

- a. What was the evaluation of authenticity: *The values on the basis of which the property was inscribed on the World Heritage List are maintained.*
- b. Have there been changes in the authenticity: *No*

Are changes in the authenticity: *No*

II.4 Management

II.4.1 Legal and institutional framework

- a.
- Ownership: *State and Region and Private*
 - Legal status: *State property*
 - Legal framework (national and Local): *National*
 - Institutional framework (Local):
Supreme Council of Antiquities (SCA),
 - Agency(ies) responsible for the management: *S C A*
Address: *see above*
- b. Actions foreseen to preserve the values for the future:
- 1) *Short-term plan: preventive measures*
 - 2) *Long-term plans: circulation facilities.*

II.4.2 Management and planning

- a. Under which authority is the property managed
- The region Aswan: Aswan*
Central Administration: S C A
- b. Registered plans relating to the property
- Conservation plan: *periodic conservation*
Tourism development plan:
Amelioration of circulation and accommodation

II.4.3 Management and plan of the site and statement of objectives

- a.
- Does functional management plan exist: *Yes*
 - Does the management plan take into account the actual financial resources: *Yes*
 - Does the management plan include aspects of personnel training: *Yes*
 - Does the management plan include zoning and multiple uses of the site: *Yes*
 - Does the management plan take account of a delimited buffer zone: *Yes*
 - Does the management plan include regular monitoring actions of the site: *No*

- b. Financial support for the implementation of the management plan:
Financing guaranteed, National financing, Bilateral financing
- c. Person responsible for the property:
 - Name: *Prof. Dr. GABALLA ALI GABALLA*
 - Function: *Secretary General of SCA*
 - Address: *see above*

II.4.4 Capacities in human and financial resources at site level

- a. Human resources
 - Management: *Director General, Directories*
- b. Regular financial resources: *Fees on entry visa*
- c. Personnel training needs:
 - Types of training desired: *Conservation – risk map – management and informatics technology (database, Inventory ...etc.)*

II.4.5 Additional information concerning protection and conservation

- a.
 - Sources of expertise for the training in conservation and management techniques: *UNESCO*
 - Protection measures and mean of implementation: *Amelioration of environment inside Abu-Simbel temples.*
 - Existing local programmes: *periodic conservation*
 - Policies and programmes for the safeguard of the site (status of implementation: *SCA plans and Programmes*
- b.
 - Technical assistance provided by the United Nations system:
UNESCO International Campaign

II.4.6 Scientific, technical and educational activities

- a. Scientific studies:
 - Laboratories: *in Nubian Museum in Aswan*
 - Scientific equipment: *Equipments for Analysis*
- b. ...
- c. New management techniques
 - Availability of computer equipment: *not planned, in great need to be afforded by the WHC*
 - Possible access to the Internet: *No*
 - Operational access to the Internet: *No*
 - Use of the E-mail: *No*
 - Is there a Geographical Information System for the site: *planned*
- d. Educational activities

- Does the site receive schools' visits: *Hundreds per season*
 - Are there educational programmes aimed at schools: *No (specified programmes are not available)*
 - Is there an environmental education policy: *not adequate*
 - Which themes, target public, means for implementation.
Books, Conferences ...etc.
- e. How are general public information activities organised:
(See "Islamic-Cairo" II.4.6)

II.4.7 Diverse elements

- g. *Site museum, Toilets, First aid and rescue station ...*

II.5 Factors affecting the property

II.5.1 Degree to which the property is threatened

- a. Development pressures:
- Structural integrity: *Roads, Airpollution*
- b. ...
- c. ...
- d. Tourism and its consequences:
- Yearly visitor :
- About a million native and worldwide tourists*
- Accessibility of the site from Cairo: *1050 km, Paved roads, Airports*
- Circulation within the site: *for vehicles*
- f. Relations with the neighbouring residents of the site:
The site is not inhabited (about 400 km away from the next town) tourism facilities are offered.

II.5.2 Prevention of threats and natural and human pressures:

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II.6 Monitoring

- a. Is there regular monitoring of the site : *No*
- b. ...
- c. ...

II.7 Conclusions and recommended actions

- b. Main conclusions concerning the Statement of significance of the site as a World Heritage property:

The site is of great archaeological, architectural, artistic and historical importance. The sites Abu-Simbel, Philae, Kalabsha, El-Soboua, Amada ...etc, are of unique Values.

- Main conclusions concerning the Statement of authenticity:

The values are maintained.

- c. Main conclusions concerning the management of the property:

Periodic conservation measures.

- Main conclusions concerning the factors affecting the property:

Amelioration of the environment inside the temples.

- d. Proposed future action(s):

Archaeological maps – Risk-maps are being prepared.

- e. Responsible agency:

*Supreme Council of Antiquities (SCA),
Prof. Dr. GABALLA ALI GABALLA,
General Secretary of SCA
(See above)*

- f. Timetable for implementation

Long- and Short-term

- g. Needs for international assistance: *Yes*

Type of assistance desired:

Management, Conservation, risk-map, computer facilities and training.

- h. Resource persons or organisations who could be involved in monitoring:

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- i. Agency

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