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2015

State Party : REPUBLIC OF PERU
Name of the property : HISTORICAL CENTRE OF THE CITY OF AREQUIPA

Arequipa, December 2015

I. EXECUTIVE SUMMARY OF THE ANNUAL REPORT.

The 2015 Annual Report on the Conservation of the Historical Centre of the City of Arequipa recalls Decision 38 COM 7B.46 adopted at the 38th Session of the UNESCO World Heritage Committee held in the city of Doha, Qatar, requesting Peru to submit, by December 1, 2015, an updated report on the implementation of the measures requested in this Decision.

i. New boundaries of the Buffer Zone of the Historic Centre of the City of Arequipa

In the month of September, the Provincial Municipality of Arequipa submitted to the Decentralised Directorate of Culture—Arequipa a proposal for the redefinition of the demarcation of the Historic Centre (Monumental Zone) and the Buffer Zone for its evaluation, and the subsequent amendment of Municipal Ordinance 764-2012. However, the proposal for the redefinition of the boundaries does not take into account the recommendations made in Decision 38 COM 7B.46, adopted during the Thirty-Eighth Session of the World Heritage Committee.

The Decentralised Directorate of Culture—Arequipa has recommended to the Provincial Municipality of Arequipa include two sectors or zones: Monumental Zone of Arequipa, as expressly declared by virtue of Supreme Resolution 2900-72-ED, as amended by Memorandum 823-2015-DDC-ARE/MC dated December 4, 2015. This corresponds to the World Heritage zone or Historic Centre expressly declared by virtue of Municipal Ordinance 115-2001; and the Buffer Zone, as expressly declared in Municipal Ordinance 764-2012.

Furthermore, the Decentralised Directorate of Culture—Arequipa has proposed the expansion of the Monumental Zone, in order to protect other sectors, such as the right bank and its urban surroundings located on the headland existing from the polygon of the Barrio del Vallecito to the transversal intersection of Urbanización Selva Alegre, as well as the Traditional Town and Terrace Network of Carmen Alto.

Once the boundaries of the Buffer Zone have been defined, the corresponding file will be prepared for submission to the World Heritage Centre, as per paragraphs 163 to 165 of the Operational Directives of the Convention, for assessment and approval by the Committee.

ii. Master Plan for the Historic Centre of the City of Arequipa

As noted in the progress report submitted to the World Heritage Centre in February 2015, the approval of the Master Plan is subject to the approval of the Metropolitan Development Plan (PDM, for its acronym in Spanish) and the definition of the new boundaries of the historic centre and the buffer zone.

The Management Proposal, consisting of the design of technical, social, economic, and legal instruments that guarantee the implementation of the Plan, was approved by Municipal Ordinance 932-2015, dated October 6, 2015.

iii. Risk Prevention and Management Plan

The Risk Prevention and Management Plan drafted by the Provincial Municipality of Arequipa, through the Management Office for the Historic Centre and the Monumental Zone, was approved by Municipal Ordinance 932-2015, dated October 6, 2015.

iv. *Heritage Impact Assessment (HIA) on the Project Vía Troncal Interconectora*

The *Cultural Heritage Impact Assessment on the Chilina Bridge Component* was attached to the progress report submitted to the World Heritage Centre in February 2015. Said Assessment was prepared by the Decentralised Directorate of Culture—Arequipa of the Ministry of Culture, as per the ICOMOS Guidance on Heritage Impact Assessments for Cultural World Heritage Properties.

In July 2015, the Decentralised Directorate of Culture—Arequipa forwarded to the Regional Government of Arequipa the Report and Conclusions of the UNESCO Reactive Monitoring Mission performed to the Historic Centre of Arequipa, in order to reiterate the obligation for the submission of the Heritage Impact Assessment (HIA) on the Vía Troncal Interconectora Project among the Districts of Miraflores, Alto Selva Alegre, Yanahuara, Cayma, and Cerro Colorado, in the Province of Arequipa.” In September, the Regional Government of Arequipa reported that the company PEREA & ASOCIADOS is preparing the respective Assessment.

v. *Joint Reactive Monitoring Mission by the World Heritage Centre and ICOMOS*

The Joint Reactive Monitoring Mission by the World Heritage Centre and ICOMOS to the Historic Centre of the City of Arequipa was carried out between November 25 and 28, 2014. The purpose of the Joint Reactive Monitoring Mission by the World Heritage Centre and ICOMOS was to assess the potential impacts of the Vía Troncal Interconectora project, as well as to develop an action plan to mitigate the project’s negative impacts.

Following the visit, the Mission concluded in its Mission Report that, in principle, the Chilina Bridge component of the Vía Troncal Interconectora project has no visual impact, due to its light-weight design, horizontality, and transparency.

The implementation of the recommendations established in the Report of the Joint Reactive Monitoring Mission is being coordinating by the Decentralised Directorate of Culture—Arequipa with the Provincial Municipality of Arequipa, as well as the corresponding entities.

vi. *Monorail Project*

Empresa Constructora Queiroz Galvao S.A. has made a proposal to the Private Investment Promotion Agency (PROINVERSIÓN) regarding the Project for the “Construction of a Monorail-Type Mass Rapid Transit System in Arequipa,” as a Co-Financed Private Initiative Project.

The Ministry of Culture has asked Empresa Queiroz Galvao S.A. to submit a Preliminary Design for the Public Investment Project, in order to be evaluated and submitted to the World Heritage Centre. As of this date, said document has not yet been submitted to the Ministry of Culture.