Revision of the Management Plan for Antarctic Specially Protected Area (ASPA) No. 140 Parts of Deception Island, South Shetland Islands

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**Working Paper submitted by the United Kingdom and Spain**

***Summary***

The United Kingdom and Spain have conducted a review of the Management Plan for Antarctic Specially Protected Area (ASPA) No. 140 Parts of Deception Island, South Shetland Islands and has determined that only minor amendments are required. The United Kingdom and Spain recommend that the CEP approves the attached revised Management Plan.

***Background***

The United Kingdom and Spain has conducted a review of the Management Plan for ASPA No. 140 Parts of Deception Island, South Shetland Islands, in accordance with Annex V to the Protocol on Environmental Protection to the Antarctic Treaty and the Revised Guide to the Preparation of Management Plans for Antarctic Specially Protected Areas appended to Resolution 2 (2011)*.*

The Area was originally designated in Recommendation XIII-8 (1985, SSSI No. 21) after a proposal by the United Kingdom. The primary reason for the designation of Parts of Deception Island, South Shetland Islands, as an Antarctic Specially Protected Area is to protect environmental values, and primarily the terrestrial flora within the Area.

Summary of amendments

A revised Management Plan for ASPA No. 140 is provided at Attachment A. There are no major changes to the Management Plan. Minor amendments are summarised as follows:

* Annex 1 *Supporting Information* has been updated.
* Information has been added on human impact and non-native species within each Site.
* Map 1 has been updated to show the boundaries of ASPA 145 within Port Foster. Maps 1a and b have been updated with the removal of unnecessary symbols.
* A range of editorial amendments have been made throughout, including for consistency with the provisions of other ASPA Management Plans and with the Revised Guide to the Preparation of Management Plans for Antarctic Specially Protected Areas.

Recommendation

The United Kingdom and Spain recommends that the CEP approves the attached revised Management Plan for ASPA No. 140 Parts of Deception Island, South Shetland Islands (Attachment A).

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| ASPA No. 140, Parts of Deception Island, South Shetland Islands | |
| 1. Is a new ASPA proposed? | No |
| 2. Is a new ASMA proposed? | No |
| 3. Does the proposal relate to an existing ASPA or ASMA? | Yes. ASPA No. 140 |
| First designation: | Recommendation XIII-8 (1985) |
| First adoption of management plan: | Recommendation XIII-8 (1985) |
| Any revisions to management plan: | Resolution 7 (1995)  Measure 2 (2000)  Measure 3 (2005)  Measure 8 (2012)  Measure 6 (2017) |
| Current management plan: | Measure 6 (2017) |
| Any extensions of expiry dates of management plan: | No |
| Renamed and renumbered by Decision 1 (2002) as: | ASPA No. 140 |
| Other relevant measures: | N/A |
| 4. If the proposal contains a revision of an existing management plan, please indicate the types of amendment: | |
| (i) major or minor? | Minor |
| (ii) any changes to the boundaries or co-ordinates? | No |
| (iii) any changes to the maps? If yes, are the changes in the captions only or also in the graphics? | Map 1 has been updated to show the boundaries of ASPA 145 within Port Foster. Maps 1a and b have been updated with the removal of a helicopter landing site and camping site symbol, respectively. Changes in graphics and captions. |
| (iv) any change to the description of the area that is relevant to identifying its location or its boundaries? | No |
| (v) any changes that affect any other ASPA, ASMA or HSM within this area or adjacent to it? In particular, please explain any merger with, incorporation of or abolition of any existing area or site. | No |
| (vi) Other - brief summary of other types of changes, indicating the paragraphs of the management plan in which these are located. | * Annex 1 *Supporting Information* has been updated. * Information has been added on human impact and non-native species within each Site * A range of editorial amendments have been made throughout, including for consistency with the provisions of other ASPA management plans and with the *Revised Guide to the Preparation of Management Plans for Antarctic Specially Protected Areas*. |
| 5. If a new ASPA or ASMA is proposed, does it contain any marine area? | N/A |
| 6. If yes, does the proposal require the prior approval of CCAMLR in accordance with Decision 9 (2005)? | N/A |
| 7. If yes, has the prior approval of CCAMLR been obtained? If yes, please list the CCAMLR Final Report and Paragraph No. | N/A |
| 8. If the proposal relates to an ASPA, what is the primary reason for designation (i.e. which part under Article 3.2 of Annex V)? | Article 3.2  (b) representative examples of major terrestrial, including glacial and aquatic, ecosystems and marine ecosystems  (c) areas with important or unusual assemblages of species (i.e. associated with geothermally heated ground) |
| 9. If relevant, have you identified the main Environmental Domain represented by the ASPA/ASMA (refer to the ‘Environmental Domains Analysis for the Antarctic Continent’ appended to Resolution 3 (2008))? Yes/No (If yes, the main Environmental Domain should be noted here). | Domain G and B |
| 10. If relevant, have you identified the main Antarctic Conservation Biogeographic Region represented by the ASPA/ASMA (refer to the ‘Antarctic Conservation  Biogeographic Regions’ appended to Resolution 6 (2012))? Yes/No (If yes, the main Antarctic Conservation Biogeographic Region should be noted here). | ACBR 3 North west Antarctic Peninsula |
| 11. If relevant, have you identified any Antarctic Important Bird Areas (Resolution 5 (2015)) represented by the ASPA/ASMA (refer to the ‘Important Bird Areas in Antarctica 2015 Summary’ appended to ATCMXXXVIII IP27 and the full report available at: http://www.era.gs/resources/iba/)? Yes/No (If yes, the Important Bird Area(s) should be noted here). | No |