SOVRINTENDENZA TAL-PATRIMONJU KULTURALI

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Property Name	Covertway – Fort Chambrai

Address Fort Chambrai, Ghajnsielem, Gozo

Town Name Ghajnsielem Toponym Ras-et-tafal Local Council Ghajnsielem

Property Owner Government Managing Body Private

Guardianship Deed

Period Modern (18th Century)

Phase Early Modern: Knights of St John (18th Century)

Cultural Heritage
Architectural

Historical
Architectural

Cultural Heritage
Property Value

Type & Value
Technical

Architectural
Technical

Property Value
Assessment
Outstanding

Property Function Fortification Conservation Area CO 841/05

Outline Description Outwork

Property Description

Fort Chambrai contains a stretch of covertway which runs along the main land front from in front of Notre Dame Bastion to in front of St Anthony Bastion. This covertway originally consisted of four re-entrant places-of-arms and three salient places-of-arms. In all the covertway was protected by ten traverses (most of which have now disappeared surviving only as mound of rubble in some places) and served by four pas-de-souris leading down into the ditch. The two large places-of-arms at the extremities contained gun batteries with four embrasures each.

Scheduled by MEPA Yes Degree of Protection Grade 1 G.N. No. 840 G.N. Date 2005

S.C. Spiteri, Fortresses of the Knights (Malta, 2001), 312-17

Recommended Bibliography











