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SUPERINTENDENCE OF CULTURAL HERITAGE

National Inventory of the Cultural Property of the Maltese Islands

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Property Name	Ramla Left Battery		
Address	Ir-Ramla l-Ħamra		
Town Name	Ramla il-Ħamra	Toponym	-
		Local Council	Nadur
Property Owner	Government	Managing Body	The Gaia Foundation
Guardianship Deed	-		

Period	Modern (18th Century)		
Phase	Early Modern: Knights of St John (18th Century)		
Cultural Heritage Type & Value	Historical Architectural Archaeological	Cultural Heritage Property Value Assessment	Outstanding
Property Function	Fortification	Conservation Area	AEI

Outline Description	Coastal battery - remains
Property Description	Also known as Xaghra Battery and Belancourt Battery, Ramla Left Battery survives largely as a ruin and was one of the coastal works of fortification erected by the Knights in 1715/16. The structural originally consisted of rectangular gun battery with its front slightly pulled back around the centre, with a small blockhouse to the rear. The battery was placed onto of a mound sited on the left side of the bay and its low walls, which were little more than parapets were pierced by six embrasure. The gun platform was covered in flagstone. The site is now an archaeological ruin.

Scheduled by MEPA	Yes	Degree of Protection	Grade 1	G.N. No.	7	G.N. Date	1995
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Recommended Bibliography	S.C. Spiteri, Fortresses of the Cross (Malta,1994), 533
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