Dear Mark and Rainer

I’ll be coming to start on the rehabilitation work of Kruger Cave with some colleagues and students from UJ in the last week of March. You would be most welcome to drop by and have a look at what we are doing.

Alternatively, I’m planning to drive out to Rustenberg on 20 or 21 February to purchase some supplies from Builders ahead of the rehabilitation work. If either of you are available I could meet you at the cave and show you what we intend to do.

I have been requested by the South African Heritage Resources Agency to conduct a 30-day public participation regarding DNA analysis of human hair that was found in the cave in 1982. The hair was thought to be from the 19th century, but I suspect it could be older. I’m also interested in establishing whether and to what extent there may have been genetic admixture between San and Bantu-speaking groups in the region at the time. Since the Irrigation Board constitutes an interested and affected party I’m sending you the proposal to read. Please let me know should you have any questions or concerns regarding anything in the proposal, which I would be happy to discuss. Also please do circulate the proposal to anyone you think might be interested.

Regards

Justin

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Hi Justin

Mark forwarded your proposal to me. I think it will be very interesting to find out the age of the hair samples and the DNA analysis. It may have been a Ndebele sheltering from the rain or as you say also possibly much older. Exciting prospects. Would it be possible for me to join Mark and Rainer when or if you meet up with them?

Regards
Allan Retief
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To whom it may concern

As per the request of South African Heritage Resources Agency I am initiating a 30-day period for public consultation regarding the planned DNA analysis of human hair recovered from Kruger Cave (adjacent the Olifantsnek dam). Please see attached proposal for details.

I invite any comments on the proposed research and am happy to answer any questions you may have.

Yours sincerely

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Dear Leana

Further to my previous correspondence and notification of a 30-day public participation period, please find attached the university ethics clearance certificate you requested.

Regards

Justin

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Dear Leana

Thank you for your email and for the forms. I will send you the ethics clearance as soon as possible. I will need to wait until the end of the month for our Research Ethics Committee to meet to finalise the approval.

In the meantime I’ve attached the contract form you sent me. Please can you let me know if this is filled in correctly.

My research does not involve living human participants nor the use of any indigenous knowledge for financial or any other purpose. Also, the only ‘media’ I would be engaging with would be an academic journal and, depending on the results of the research, an online newspaper called The Conversation.

I would of course be most happy to share all results with you and any publication stemming from the research, but I’m in no position to pay WIMSA, which seems implicit in the Media and Research Contract, unless I have misread it.

Regards

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Please let me know if there is someone else I should write to in this regard. I'm assuming you are still on the San Council.

Looking forward to hearing back from you.

Regards

Justin

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Approval of the research proposal with details given above is granted, subject to any conditions under 1 below, and is valid until 21 February 2021.

1. Conditions*:
Completion and signature of a Material Transfer Agreement (REC 16.0). All material transferred to Uppsala University and not consumed during the analysis process must be returned to its source in South Africa. Material may not be used for any purpose other than that described in the research proposal.

*Please note that failure to comply with the conditions above (if any) prior to implementation of the research will invalidate this ethical clearance.

2. Renewal:
It is required that this ethical clearance is renewed annually, within two weeks of the date indicated above. Renewal must be done using the Ethical Clearance Renewal Form (REC 10.0), to be completed and submitted to the Faculty Administration office. See Section 12 of the REC Standard Operating Procedures.

3. Amendments:
Any envisaged amendments to the research proposal that has been granted ethical clearance must be submitted to the REC using the Research Proposal Amendment Application Form (REC 8.0) prior to the research being amended. Amendments to research may only be carried out once a new ethical clearance letter is issued. See Section 13 of the REC Standard Operating Procedures.

4. Adverse Events, Deviations or Non-compliance:
Adverse events, research proposal deviations or non-compliance must be reported within the stipulated time-frames using the Adverse Event Reporting Form (REC 9.0). See Section 14 of the REC Standard Operating Procedures.

Yours sincerely,

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