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To Whom It May Concern,

This letter is to confirm that I have given Dr Genevieve Dewar permission to take samples from archaeological human skeletons in my care for the purposes of ancient DNA analysis. I am aware that these are to be exported and will be partly or wholly destroyed in the analysis. The skeletons in question were recovered from the following localities:

Engelbrecht Laerskool, Elands Bay – excavated by Judith Sealy and team, 10 June 2008

Stompneus Bay Factory - excavated by Archaeology Contracts Office 12 November 2004, 32° 43" 24.2' S 17° 58" 31.5'E

Paternoster - excavated by Judith Sealy & Nandi Masemula, 13 July 2013

Atlantis Rd - excavated by Archaeology Contracts Office 11 March 1998

St Helena Bay - collected from police at St Helena Bay 26 August 2002

Melkbosstrand – excavated by Archaeology Contracts Office September 1995

Bloubergstrand - excavated by Louisa Hutten 8 October 2009

Saldanha - excavated by Louisa Hutten 2010, cnr of Camp & 6^{th} St, 33.001702 S 17.949218° E

Swartriet – excavated by Judith Sealy, Tim Maggs and Ian Watts 7 February 2003, 32° 56' 02" S, 17° 53' 15" E

NTZ1 - from shell midden at Noetzie, recovered during building work, 6 July 2006

UCT 579 - Namaqualand

75 Mostert Rd, Melkbosstrand, square Q12- excavated by Louisa Hutten, 2014

75 Mostert Rd, Melkbosstrand, square Fg and G6 - as above

75 Mostert Rd, Melkbosstrand, square G8/H8 - as above

Yours sincerely

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