## Permit Application to export 'Landscape, Flowers and Mountains' by Jacob Hendrik Pierneef

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## Letter

In terms of Section 32(19) of the National Heritage Resources Act (Act 25 of 1999)

Attention: Bonhams - South Africa

P.O Box 651535

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Bonhams SA has applied for a permit to export the above mentioned artwork to Bonhams Auction House, 101 New Bond St, London WIS, ISR, for sale. The owner of the privately owned artwork has approached Bonhams SA to export and sell this object on their behalf.

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The South African Heritage Resources Agency's Permit Committee regrets to inform you that after careful deliberation, it has decided not to approve your application for a permit to export Landscape" by Jacob Hendrik Pierneef.

The artwork is an exceptional important work in the artistic output of South Africa for the following reasons:

It has a value in the study of the arts and a close association to J.H. Pierneef's peak as an artist. There is nothing of this sort of work in public collections in South Africa which makes this artwork to be very rare. There is no record that it was ever exhibited in any public space.

The significance of this canvas mostly resides in the time of the painting, and the precision of the date indicated. It was painted while Pierneef was working on the "Station Panel". Precisely dated works by Pierneef are rare, the precision of the date in this case is therefore rare.

After he was commissioned by the South African Railways to produce 32 "Station Panels", Pierneef did not really develop stylistically, except a clear tendency to be even more schematic rendering. This painting is a wonderful example of his peak as a painter, This is a very fine painting, it is of such degree of national importance that its loss to South Africa would significantly diminish the National Heritage.

In terms of the National Heritage Resources Act, No. 25 of 1999, you have the right to appeal against this decision.

Should you have any further queries, please contact the designated official using the case number quoted above in the case header.

Yours faithfully



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