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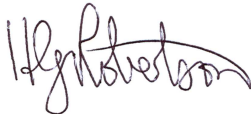
Dear Dr Redelstorff

Extension of Temporary export permit (no.80/10/01/018/62 and ref no.3/4/2/1/4/227) of Karoo vertebrate fossils on display at the Perot Museum of Nature and Science

The following two specimens, **SAM-PK-K010643 *Diictodon***, **SAM-PK-K010378 *Lystrosaurus curvatus*** have been on loan to the Perot Museum of Nature and Science since March 2010. A request for an extension until 2020 has been received.

These specimens form part of a long-term exhibition in the Perot Museum and in the initial talks regarding this loan between Dr Roger Smith and Dr Tony Fiorillo the agreed intention was to renew this loan every five years. I am in full support of this request as it enables South African fossils to be displayed in an overseas venue while still maintaining ownership and control by South Africa. Due to South Africa's Heritage legislation, the Perot Museum does not have the option of acquiring ownership of such fossils.

Yours sincerely



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