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Dear Ms Anamuthoo

## Re-FINAL BASIC ASSESSMENT REPORT ON THE PROPOSED MOGALAKWENA PLATINUM MINE ROAD (D4380) DEVIATION

This correspondence is in response to your report submitted to SAHRA on the 26<sup>th</sup> June 2012, please kindly note the following;

- 1. It has been noted that the survey identified eight different burial sites and cemeteries located outside the formal municipal cemeteries thus protection under Section 36 the National Heritage Resources Act No 25 of 1999:
- A possible adverse impact upon graves and burial sites during the course of development has been identified and it is recommended that a concerted social consultation process with affected communities for identification of descendant families should be observed and an HIA report and necessary permit applications compiled and submitted to SAHRA by an accredited professional Archaeologist;
- 3. However, SAHRA recommends that the exhumation and relocation of graves should be a last option as per provisions of the SAHRA Guidelines on Burial Grounds and Graves. Should any previously unidentified burials be accidentally disturbed, work should immediately cease and SAHRA be notified:
- 4. It is also hereby recommended that a buffer zone of at least ten metres should be observed during the construction process and identified gravesites be fenced off for protection from machinery and human impact during the construction phase with provisions of access to the communities and descendant families.
  - NB: It is expected that the heritage consultant liaise with the appointed contractor prior and during the construction phase for pointing out the identified cultural heritage resources for ensuring protection from negative impacts of development.

## **Yours Sincerely**

Troy Phili Divisional Manager Burial Grounds and Graves Unit For the Chief Executive Officer