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Letter

In terms of Section 35(4) of the National Heritage Resources Act (Act 25 of 1999)

Attention: Dr Jennifer Botha-Brink
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The aim of this study is to investigate the life history of sauropodomorph dinosaur NMQR 1551, currently identified as *Melanorosaurus readi*. This dinosaur is from the Early Jurassic upper Elliot Formation of South Africa and forms part of the recovery fauna following the end-Triassic mass extinction. Information on its life history will thus be useful for better understanding the dynamics of the survival fauna living at this time.

Dear Dr. Jennifer-Botha-Brink,

Thank you for your application for invasive sampling of a tibia and femur of the sauropodomorph dinosaur *Melanorosaurus* for osteohistological analysis. SAHRA has reviewed your application and decided to approve it.

We wish you every success with this project.

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

Yours faithfully

Ragna Redelstorff

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Direct URL to case: <http://www.sahra.org.za/node/520534>

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1. This approval does not exonerate the applicant from obtaining local authority approval or any other necessary approval for proposed work.
2. If any heritage resources, including graves or human remains, are encountered they must be reported to SAHRA immediately.
3. SAHRA reserves the right to request additional information as required.