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Letter

In terms of Section 48(2) of the National Heritage Resources Act (Act 25 of 1999)

Attention: Prof. Curtis W. Marean
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AZ 85287-2402, USA

We will sample and date with C14 dating two specimens of mollusk that were pasted to the side of the some exposed MSA roof fall at PP5-6. Based on some prior C14 ages at PP5-6 South, we suspect that these may be remnants of a once complete cover of Holocene shell midden that was, perhaps in historic times, stripped away by local people for the purpose of lime production. If this is true then we need to know this, since that would have been a significant destructive process in the formation of the caves.

Dear Dr Curtis Marean,

Thank you for your application to temporarily export two mollusc shells from Pinnacle Point 5 and 6, Western Cape Province, for dating at the Beta Analytic Inc. in Miami, Florida. The specimen is currently housed at the Dias Museum, Mossel Bay. SAHRA acknowledges the HWC sampling permit that was submitted with the application. SAHRA has reviewed the application and has 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

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Terms & Conditions:

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.