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Letter

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

Attention: Ms Stephany Potze
Ditsong Museums of South Africa
PO Box 4197
Pretoria
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Sampling of hominin dentition (*Australopithecus africanus*, *Paranthropus robustus* & early *Homo*) from the Ditsong collection for stable isotope, trace element analysis and electron-spin resonance.

Dear Dr. Adams,

The SAHRA Archaeology, Palaeontology and Meteorites (APM) Unit has records of a number of permits currently issued in your name, either as permit holder or as principal researcher (please see the table below for details). The most recent permits granted to you were for the export of specimens of *Papio angusticeps* (Permit IDs 2250, 2367 and 2368). Most of these permits are for the export of fossil specimens to Australia.

It is not clear from our records whether any of the specimens exported under Permit ID 136 and 336 have been returned to South Africa as SAHRA has received no permit reports from you.

Furthermore, a request for an extension on Permit ID 6712 (export and analysis) submitted on 11 December 2015, indicated that more specimens have been exported than you appear to have been able to process within the original permit timeframe.

As a result of the large number of specimens that are currently being analysed by you and the outstanding reports which you owe SAHRA, we are unable to grant any further export permits to you at this stage. This includes your current application for an export permit for hominin material (Case ID 9890).

Permits will be considered again when the material currently exported by you has been returned to South Africa and outstanding permit reports have been submitted to SAHRA. Permits reports must be emailed to: apmpermitreports@sahra.org.za.



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Case ID	Case Title	Permit ID/type	Expiry Date	Permit Report
9890	Hominin sampling- Adams & Fiorenza	Export & destructive analysis	Submitted	NN
9849	Sampling permit	Sampling	Submitted	NN
9700	Adams <i>Papio angusticeps</i>	2367 & 2368 Export & destructive analysis	No expiry date (permanent export (2367); 30 September 2017	Due September 2017
9210	<i>Papio angusticeps</i> Adams & Zadow	2250 Export & destructive analysis	31 July 2017	Due July 2017
6712	Haasgat unidentified fossil specimens November 2014	2140 Export	31 December 2016 (extension requested 11 Dec 2015)	No
3597	Haasgat excavation/site permit	917 Excavation	30 November 2016	Yes
593	Export of thirty unidentified fossil specimens from the Haasgat fossil site	136 & 336 Export	31 Aug 2013 31 Aug 2014	No

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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Direct URL to case: <http://www.sahra.org.za/node/367479>

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.