### South African Archaeological Copper Provenance Study

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## **Letter of Advice**

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

Attention: Jay Stephens

Department of Anthropology, University of Arizona

We seek permission to sample copper objects from archaeological sites in South Africa and analyze them using lead isotopic and trace elemental analyses to identify their copper source, and traditional metallography and x-ray fluorescence methods to understand their production technology. These data will expand our existing database of copper objects from Zimbabwe, Botswana, Zambia, the DRC, and Malawi, and help understand the role of South African sites within this interaction network.

Dear Jay,

#### **RE: South African Archaeological Copper Provenance Study**

Thank you for your permit application to sample copper objects from various sites in South Africa for a study on copper provenance in the region. These copper materials are currently housed at the University of Cape Town and the Witwatersrand. The SAHRA has reviewed your application and requests that you provide the following in order to process your case:

- 1. Letter of curation (support) from the University of Cape Town
- 2. Provide clarity on where the sampling will be done. If the sampling will be done in the USA (University of Arizona) please update your application to reflect that you requesting an export permit, indicate whether this is a permanent or temporary export application (see list of requirement for export permit attached).

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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