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Letter

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

Attention: Prof. Lee R. Berger Evolutionary Studies Institute University of the Witwatersrand PO WITS 2050 South Africa

Proposed recovery of exposed Plio-Pleistocene aged fossils, and excavation of in-situ fossils in an underground fossil locality in the Cradle of Humankind World Heritage site, Gauteng Province.

Dear Prof. Berger,

the APMHOB permit committee has received your application regarding the excavation of fossil material from UW 101.

The matter was tabled at the permit committee meeting held on the 31st of October 2013 and the the permit committee agreed with the issuing of the permit.

The Management Authority of the Cradle of Humankind World Heritage Site has expressed concern about the possible presence of carrying agents for leptospirosis in the Cave. Please be aware of it and take the necessary safety precautions.

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

Mariagrazia Galimberti

Heritage Officer: Archaeology

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