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The exhumation and re-burial of human remains inadvertently discovered at Erf
5/648 IQ Vlakfontein Ext 1&2, Johannesburg, Gauteng Province

Mitigation of two graves inadvertently discovered during construction activities

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DECLARATION OF INDEPENDENCE

The report has been compiled by PGS Heritage, an appointed Heritage Specialist for Blue Dot/Lilithalethu JV. The views stipulated in this report are purely objective and no other interests are displayed during the decision making processes discussed in this document.

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EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

Report on the exhumation and re-burial of human remains inadvertently discovered at Erf 5/648 IQ Vlakfontein Ext 1&2, Johannesburg, Gauteng Province

This report is submitted in fulfilment of the requirements of:

- The South African Heritage Resources Agency Permit No. 1856, issued under Section 36(3) of the National Heritage Resources Act, Act no. 25 of 1999

PGS Heritage was appointed by Blue Dot/Lilithalethu JV to undertake the rescue excavation and reburial of 2 inadvertently discovered graves at Erf 5/648 IQ Vlakfontein Ext 1&2, Johannesburg, Gauteng Province. The graves were accidentally discovered during the construction of an attenuation pond.

Public participation processes included the placing of site and newspaper notices, social consultations and documentary and archival research to identify the directly affected family of the deceased individuals.

The graves were claimed by Mr J Khumalo as that of his brother, Lucas Khumalo, a male individual who had died in a motor vehicle accident in 1963 at the age of 18 years and an unknown individual who was buried next to the Khumalo grave at a later stage. The Khumalo family gave written permission for the action.

To fully comply with applicable legislation, the permission of the Johannesburg Metro Council, the Gauteng Province Department of Health and the Gauteng Province Department of Co-operative Governance and Traditional Affairs was obtained. The mandated South African Police Services and Public Health authority for the area were notified in advance of the exhumation. A local Funeral Undertaker was appointed.

The exhumation was conducted on 10 September 2014 with representatives of the affected family in attendance. Fragments of human bone were recovered and placed in a single coffin, together with soil from the disturbed grave, at the request of the family present.

Re-burial was on the same day at Elandsfontein Municipal Cemetery, grave no: 582 Block B.

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1. INTRODUCTION

The graves which are the subject of this report were inadvertently discovered during construction activities and were damaged and exposed in the process. It was recommended that the graves be relocated. The development impacting on the graves is an attenuation pond development of large extent on Erf 5/648 IQ Vlakfontein Ext 1&2, Johannesburg, Gauteng Province. All other permissions and permits required for the development had been granted and the installation of essential services and infrastructure had already started when the graves were found.

2. LOCATION OF THE GRAVES

The graves were found at S26.38251° E27.89113° (GPS) (Figure 2) on the north-western bank of the attenuation pond that was under construction (Figure 1).



Figure 1. The situation of the human remains as found.

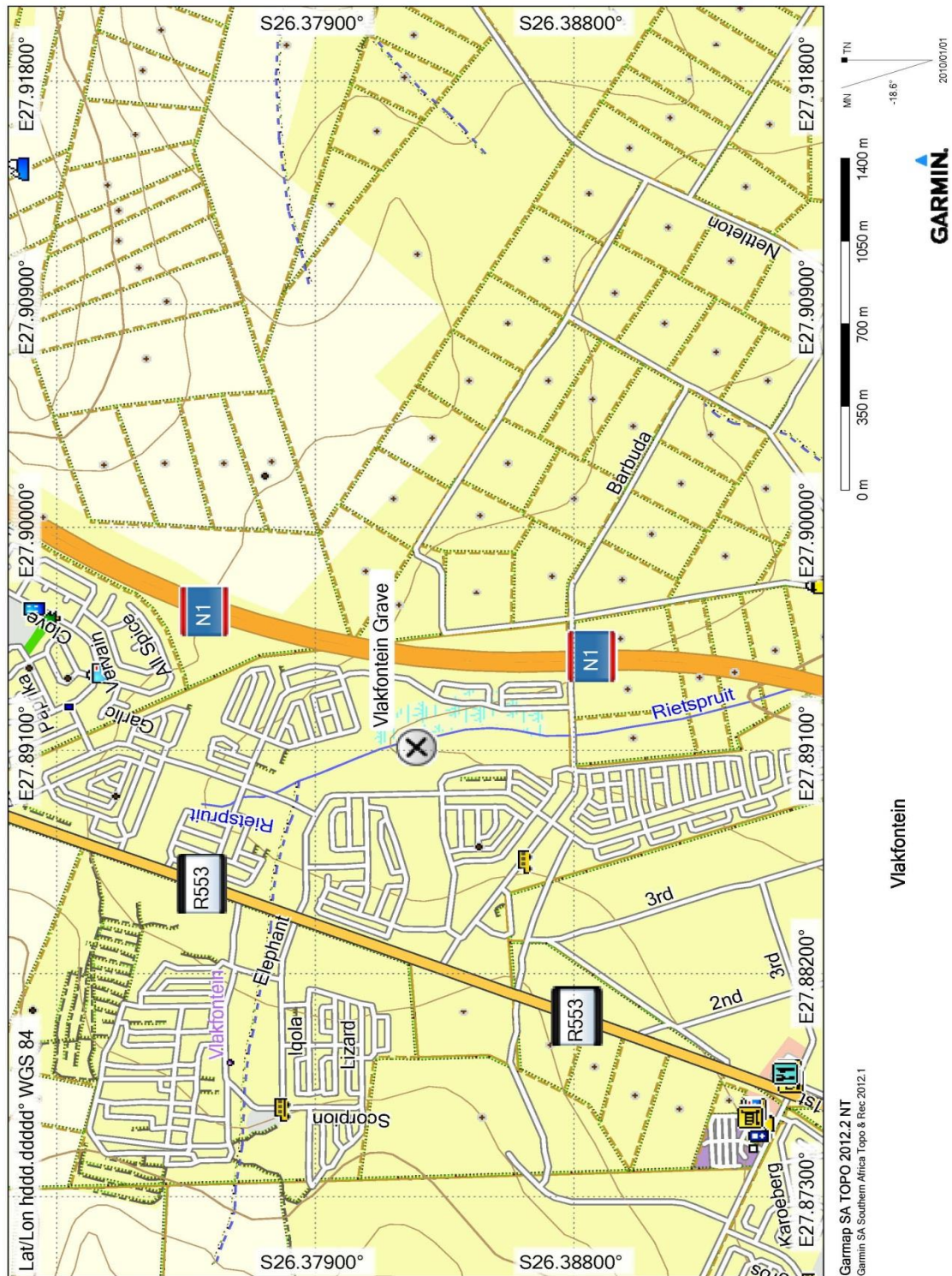


Figure 2. Vlakfontein graves locality map.

3. CONSULTATION WITH AFFECTED PARTIES

3.1. Public notices

In order to identify the deceased individuals buried in the graves subject to relocation, the following public participation and social consultation activities were conducted:

The following public notices were placed:

Notice	Date	Language	Response allowed
Site notice at grave ¹	7 March 2014	English, isiZulu	60 days
National circulation newspaper notice: Daily Sun ²	26 March 2014	English, isiZulu	14 days
Local circulation newspaper notice: Lenasia Times ³	End-March 2014 issue	English, isiZulu	14 days

No response was received as a result of the notices that were placed. Some community members, when asked, indicated that they had heard about and read the notices, but didn't respond since they did not have graves in that area.

3.2. Documentary and archival research

Documentary and archival research, with the aim of identifying the graves and the possible next-of-kin of the deceased individuals, was conducted by a professional historian with experience in archival research. The farm name or physical address where the graves are located, as well as any names from headstones and any available historical maps and photographs were included in the research.

No reference to graves on the property in question was found in any of the sources. According to the Alphabetical List of Farms in the Transvaal book the farm was previously named Vlakfontein 19, Roodepoort district. Documents and plans relating to this farm were found, but only such as show the name of the owner in 1939, etc. None referred to graves on the property.

3.3. Social consultation

Based on the results of the above actions an extensive stakeholder based social consultation process, aimed at identifying and consulting with individually affected families, was conducted over a period of three months by a professional social consultant.

¹ Refer Appendix A for copy of notice.

² Refer Appendix B for copy of notice.

³ Refer Appendix C for copy of notice.

Social consultations took place at the site of the graves. As a result of this social consultation process, Mr JK Khumalo and Mr P Bans identified themselves as brothers of the buried individuals. The grave relocation process was explained to them and Mr Khumalo subsequently formally requested that the grave of his sibling be exhumed and the remains re-buried. Written permission was obtained from the affected family⁴.

4. LEGAL COMPLIANCE

- In terms of Section 36 of the National Heritage Resources Act (Act 25 of 1999) a rescue excavation permit was obtained: South African Heritage Resources Agency permit – ID: 1856⁵.
- To comply with the Removal of Graves and Dead Bodies Ordinance (Ord 7 of 1925), permission was obtained from the delegated Provincial MEC, which is also the authorized sphere of government identified in the Regulations Relating to the Management of Human Remains (No R 363 of 22 May 2013) of the National Health Act (No 61 of 2003): Gauteng Province Co-operative Governance and Traditional Affairs permit of 17 July 2014⁶.
- In terms of the Regulations Relating to the Management of Human Remains (No R 363 of 22 May 2013) of the National Health Act (No 61 of 2003), the Local and District Municipality which has jurisdiction to ensure the supervision of an Environmental Health Practitioner gave permission: Gauteng Province Health, Forensic Pathology Services permit of 3 July 2014⁷.
- In terms of the Regulations Relating to the Management of Human Remains (No R 363 of 22 May 2013) of the National Health Act (No 61 of 2003), the local SAPS was notified and arrangements were made for a member of SAPS to be present during the exhumation.

5. IDENTIFICATION OF THE GRAVES AND REMAINS

According to the affected family the individuals buried in the graves disturbed by the construction were:

1. Lucas Khumalo, a male individual who had died in a motor vehicle accident in 1963 at the age of 18 years
2. An unknown individual who was buried next to the Khumalo grave some time later.

6. METHODOLOGY

6.1. Methods of excavation

The methods employed during exhumation aimed to recover all the remains, to minimise damage to the remains, to record the three-dimensional context of the remains and to preserve and respect the dignity of the buried individual. All evidence that might allude to the events leading to the death of the individual and circumstances regarding the event were recorded and interpreted.

⁴ Refer Appendix D for a copy.

⁵ Refer Appendix E for a copy.

⁶ Refer Appendix F for a copy.

⁷ Refer Appendix G for a copy.

The excavation methods employed accomplished the *in situ* exposure of the burial and associated artefacts (Nienaber and Steyn, 1999). The focus was on accurate and complete documentation (Nienaber, 1997). Various methods for the excavation of graves have been proposed by different authors (Hester, 1975; Joukowsky, 1980; Krogman and Iscan, 1986; Morse, 1978) and all stress the need for adequate workspace around the exposed remains and a systematic approach to the removal of individual bones. The archaeological method, including extensive test trenching to prevent damage to the remains, was employed. This approach was largely similar to that of forensic archaeology where buried body cases are concerned. The approach was adapted for each situation since graves vary in shape, size, depth and content (Nienaber, 1999). The methods used in forensic archaeology are discussed by Steyn, et.al. (2000).

In each case, the surface features of the grave were cleaned and documented. Hereafter the cultural material associated with the surface dressing was collected and catalogued, if any occurred. All observations regarding construction, materials and characteristics of the surface features were documented.

After the removal of the surface features, the extent of the burial pit was ascertained through excavation and observation of differences in the matrix. After the indications of the presence and characteristics of the burial pit were documented, the in-fill was excavated to expose the human remains and associated cultural materials. Removal of the matrix of the burial pit was accomplished through the test-trench approach whereby a narrow trench (25-30 cm wide) is excavated with a trowel to a depth of between 15 and 20 cm in the lower third of the burial pit (in this instance the lower third usually constituted the eastern side of the grave). This area is chosen since it is most likely that the femurs of the skeleton occur in this part of the grave. Since the femur is a robust bone, it is usually not easily damaged through excavation. If no indications of the presence of human remains were observed in the test trench, the remaining in-fill matrix, down to the depth of the test trench, was removed with a shovel. The matrix surrounding the remains was carefully screened to retrieve any possible cultural artefacts associated with the burial. This process was repeated until indications of the presence of human remains were observed.

As soon as human remains were encountered, care was taken to leave as much of the skeleton as possible covered in order to protect the remains from damage by excavation and to preserve the integrity of the context of the skeletal elements and possible associated cultural remains. The extent and characteristics of the burial pit were now documented and the workspace was assessed and enlarged if not sufficient. This was only done after documentation of the features of the burial pit and without sacrificing any vital information.

The excavation then continued with the aim of ascertaining the extent of the skeletal remains and the location of the different skeletal elements after which the remains were uncovered, starting from the middle and working outwards. This method again ensures the minimum disturbance of the remains and associated cultural materials. As soon as the skeleton was uncovered, it was documented *in situ* and

removed. A further test trench of 15 cm deep was dug in the area directly underlying the location of the remains to ensure that all possible remains and artefacts were found and recovered.

7. EXHUMATION OF THE REMAINS

The site where the human remains were found was archaeologically excavated on 10 September 2014 with the family present.

The location, which had been cordoned off, was cleaned of vegetation and debris and the wall of the pond was systematically excavated and all material was screened through a 5 mm screen to recover any bone fragments present.

Various animal bones and small fragments of poorly preserved and damaged human bone were recovered. The total area where the initial find was made was excavated and all human bone was placed in a coffin for reburial. At the request of the family soil from the grave area was added to the coffin (Figure 3).

The excavated area was backfilled and the slope rehabilitated.

8. REBURIAL OF THE REMAINS

The reburial of the remains was conducted by Twala Ama-Africa Funeral Undertakers of Wynberg, Johannesburg on the same day as the exhumation and was attended by the family.

Reburial was in grave no: 582 Block B at Elandsfontein Municipal Cemetery.



Figure 3. Bone fragments and soil placed in the coffin for reburial.

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APPENDIX A – SITE NOTICE

2014-03-07

ISAZISO: UKULUNGISWA KWAMATHUNA ATHINTEKAYO/ KWEZINSALELA ZABANTU EZITHINTEKAYO

Lapha kukhishwa isaziso sokuthi:

egameni lenkampani i-Blue Dot, i-Civil and Building Construction kanye nePGS Heritage

zihlela ukufaka isicelo ngokulandela Isigaba 35 no 36 soMthetho Wamagugu Kazwelonke (uMthetho onguNo. 25 ka 1999); kuhlanganisa noMthetho Kazwelonke Wezempilo, ka 2003 (uMthetho onguNo. 61 ka 2003) kuhlanganisa neminye imithetho yendawo efanele;

kanti lesi sicelo ziyosibhekisa kulaba:

Kubuholi Besifundazwe nokuyindawo lapho amathuna ekhona, kusikhungo samagugu i-South African Heritage Resources Agency (SAHRA); noma kwisikhungo esingokomthetho sesifundazwe kanye nakumasipala wendawo othintekayo

ukuze baphasise ukumbiwa bese kubuye kufakwe kabusha futhi emangcwabeni endawo, noma ukulungisa nganoma iyiphi indlela, izinsalela zabantu ezingcwatshwe kule ndawo elandelayo:

Izinsalela zabantu ezikuleya ndawo zimbiwe lapho zingcwatshwe khona njengamanje bese zingcwatshwa endaweni entsha ngokwezicelo zemindeni. Bonke abantu kanye nemiphakathi eyizizukulwane zalabo bantu abangcwatshwe laphayana, bonke abantu kanye nemiphakathi esebenzisana namathuna ngokwamasiko, noma noma ngabe yibaphi abantu noma imiphakathi enentshisekelo ethile ngalawa mathuna, bonke laba bayamenywa ukuthi babambe iqhaza kulolu hlelo futhi kufanele ukuthi bathumele imininingwane yabo yokuxhumana abatholakala kuyo kuleli kheli elibalulwe ngezansi **zingakapheli izinsuku ezingama-60 kusukela ngosuku okukhishwe ngalo lesi saziso:**

Mnu. Coen Nienaber

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2014-03-07

NOTICE: MITIGATION OF AFFECTED HUMAN REMAINS IN GRAVES

Notice is hereby given that:

On behalf of Blue Dot, Civil and Building Construction and PGS Heritage

intend applying in terms of Section 35 and 36 of the National Heritage Resources Act (Act 25 of 1999); as well as the National Health Act (61 of 2003) as well as the relevant local regulations;

to the:

Provincial Administration of the province in which the graves are located,

the South African Heritage Resources Agency (SAHRA) or their legislated provincial agency

and the relevant local municipality

for approval to exhume and re-inter in a local cemetery, or to mitigate by other means, the remains of graves buried at this location:

The human remains will be exhumed from their current place of burial and reburied in a new location *as per* the request of the deceased's families. All persons and communities descendant from the buried individuals, all persons and communities by tradition concerned with the graves or any person or communities with an interest in the graves are invited to participate in the process and must forward their contact particulars to the address listed below **within 60 days of the date of this notice**:

Mr. Coen Nienaber

PGS Heritage, PO Box 32542, Totiusdal, 0134

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APPENDIX D – FAMILY PERMISSION

Date: 2014/03/16
Project Name: Vlaktefontein Rescue
Grave Number: VFT/1

REQUEST FOR THE EXHUMATION AND RE-INTERMENT OF HUMAN REMAINS

Herewith I, Sacky Khumalo
 I.D. no.: ~~4662008~~ S.I.L.M. 5069235684087
 Tel/Cell No.: 0713544794
 Physical Address: 562 MOABISR EUREKON NORTH
 Relation to deceased: BROTHER (ELDEST)
 Acting as a representative of the family of the deceased, and with the full knowledge and approval of all family members, request the exhumation and re-interment of the remains of the person named below.

DETAILS OF DECEASED

Name of deceased: LUCAS Khumalo
 Sex of deceased: Male
 Date of death: 1963
 Age at death: 18
 Cause of death: Motor vehicle accident
 Re-interment at: Elandsfontein

Reason for relocation: Inadvertent discovery during development activities

Comments / Special Requests:

Analys remains to identify the body of Lucas Khumalo from that of other unknown person buried here

J. Qumalo
 Signed: 16 March 2014 at Vlaktefontein
 on this 16 day of March 2014

Witness Name: ABEL M. MAZIBIKO Signature: [Signature]
 Translator: Name _____ Signature: _____



AFFIDAVIT

I, the undersigned, Mr Jacky Khumalo

Identity number: 500 9235 684 087

Gender: MALE Age: 63 .Tell Nr: 071 354 4794

declare as follows under oath:

That I request the grave of my brother Lucas Khumalo who was buried at Vlakkfontein in 1963 to be exhumed and reburied at Elandsfontein after the grave was damaged by construction activities.

I know and understand the contents of this declaration.

I have no objections to taking the prescribed oath.

I consider the prescribed oath as binding within my conscience.

Jacky Khumalo
SIGNATURE

I certify that the above statement was taken by me and that the deponent was acknowledged that he/she knows and understands the contents of this statement. The statement was sworn to/affirmed before me and the deponent's signature/ mark/ thumbprint was placed thereof in my presence at (Place) Lenasia South

on (Date) 2014.03.16 at (Time) 10:45



Rebecca Maphahle
COMMISSIONER OF OATHS

Full names: Rebecca Maphahle

Address: 21 Pyrenees Street

Lenasia South
Capacity: SECRETARY

GEREGISTREERDE WOON- EN POSADRES

1. Bewaar die bewys van u GEREGISTREERDE WOON- EN POSADRES in hierdie sakkie.

2. Indien u van adres verander het, of indien besonderhede van u huidige adres, bv. straatnaam en/of -nommer, ens. verander het, moet die vorm **KENNISGEWING VAN ADRESVERANDERING**, wat in die sakkie agter in die identiteitsdokument is, gebruik word om die verandering aan te meld en moet dit ingedien word by of gepos word aan die naaste streek- distrikkantoor van die **DEPARTEMENT VAN BINNELANDSE SAKE**.


REGISTERED RESIDENTIAL AND POSTAL ADDRESS

1. Keep the proof of your REGISTERED RESIDENTIAL AND POSTAL ADDRESS in this pocket.

2. If you have changed your address, or, if particulars of your present address, e.g. name of street and/or street number, etc., have been changed, the **NOTICE OF CHANGE OF ADDRESS** form in the pocket at the back of the identity document must be used to report the change and it must be handed in at or posted to the nearest regional/district office of the **DEPARTMENT OF HOME AFFAIRS**.

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I.D.No. 500923 5684 08 7




S.A. BURGER/S.A. CITIZEN

VAN/SURNAME
KHUMALO

VOORNAME/FORENAMES
JACKY

**GEBORTEDISTRIK OF-LAND/
DISTRICT OR COUNTRY OF BIRTH**
SOUTH AFRICA

**GEBORTEDATUM/
DATE OF BIRTH** **1950-09-23**



**DATUM UITGEREIK
DATE ISSUED**
2009-01-27

**UITGEREIK OP OESAG VAN DIE
DIRKTEUR-GENERAAL:
BINNELANDSE SAKE**

**ISSUED BY AUTHORITY OF THE
DIRECTOR-GENERAL:
HOME AFFAIRS**

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CLIENT SERVICE
07 MAR 2014
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SOUTH AFRICAN POLICE SERVICE

APPENDIX E – SAHRA PERMIT

Vlakfontein Graves Rescue

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PERMIT: Remove from its original position

In terms of Section 36(3) of the National Heritage Resources Act (Act 25 of 1999)

Permit Holder: Mr Willem Coenraad Nienaber
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South Africa

Site: ERF 5/648 IQ Vlakfontein EXT 1 and 2 Johannesburg Gauteng Province (Vlakfontein Graves Rescue)

Conditions:

Rescue excavation of two graves that were inadvertently discovered during construction activities at Vlakfontein Ext 1 & 2 Erf 5/648 IQ, Johannesburg, Gauteng Province

1. If the permit holder is not to be present on the site at all times then the heritage authority must be provided with the names and qualifications of the authorised representatives.
2. Adequate recording methods as specified in the Regulations and Guidelines pertaining to the National Heritage Resources Act must be employed. Note that the position of all excavations and objects collected must be marked on a plan of site.
3. A standard site record form must be lodged on SAHRIS.
4. Human remains must at all times be handled with respect and graves should not be disturbed except where unavoidable. The consultation procedures as indicated in the Regulations and the National Heritage Resources Act must be observed as appropriate. The recommendations for removal of graves and exhumations and for re-burial stipulated in SAHRA's Policy 'What to do when graves are uncovered', section 3, must be observed as far as possible. A report on the specimens recovered and their origin must be submitted to the heritage authority annually on or before 1 August 2015 for the duration of the permit.
5. All remains recovered, including relics and artefacts, as well as field notes and records, must be kept with the skeletal material and be reburied at the local municipal cemetery .
6. Reprints of all published papers or copies of theses and/or reports resulting from this work must be lodged with the relevant provincial heritage authority and SAHRA.
7. If a published report has not appeared within three years of the lapsing of this permit, the report required in terms of the permit will be made available to researchers on request.
8. It is the responsibility of the permit holder to obtain permission from the landowner for each visit, and conditions of access imposed by the landowner must be observed.
9. It is the responsibility of the permit holder to fill in excavations and protect sites during and after excavation to the satisfaction of the heritage authority and the landowner.
10. The heritage authority shall not be liable for any losses, damages or injuries to persons or properties as a result of any activities in connection with this permit.
11. The heritage authority reserves the right to cancel this permit by notice to the permit holder.



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This permit is valid from **30/06/2014 to 30/06/2015**.

Itumeleng Masiteng
Heritage Officer: BBG Permitting
South African Heritage Resources Agency

Mimi Seetelo
Manager: Burial Grounds & Graves Unit
South African Heritage Resources Agency

Additional Info:

Please note that this permit may be suspended should an appeal against the decisions be received by SAHRA within 14 days from the date of the permit. SAHRA may not be held responsible for any costs or losses incurred in the event of the suspension or retraction of this permit.



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APPENDIX F – GAUTENG COGTA PERMIT



GAUTENG PROVINCE

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The Manager
PGS Heritage & Graves Relocations (Thwala Ama Afrika Funerals)
PRETORIA
0001

Sir/Madam

EXHUMATION AND RE-INTERMENT OF THE MORTAL REMAINS OF: 2 GRAVES

Your request received on 16 July 2014 has reference.

1. Approval in terms of section 2(1) of the Removal of Graves and Dead Bodies Ordinance, 1925 (Ordinance No. 7 of 1925) for the exhumation of the remains of remains of persons is granted:

Name of the deceased: 2 graves

Present place of burial: Farm Vlakfontein Ext 1 & 2
(Gauteng Province)

Intended place of re-burial: Elandsfontein Cemetery
(Gauteng Province)

Approval is subject to the following conditions:

- 1.1. If the coffins are still in a good state of repair they must not be opened and must be placed in suitable containers immediately after exhumation.

Department of Cooperative Governance and Traditional Affairs, No 37 Sauer Street Bank of Lisbon & 63 Fox Street Corner House Buildings Johannesburg, 2001. Private Bag X 79, Marshalltown 2107 Tel: (011) 355-4000/5000. Fax: (011) 834-3670/ (011) 355 5196. Website: www.dlg.gpg.gov.za

- 1.2. If the deceased have not been buried in coffins, or if the state of decomposition of the coffins and the remains render compliance with condition 3.1 impossible, the remains and the contents of the graves must be placed in suitable containers immediately after exhumation.
- 1.3. The operation must be performed in such a manner as to cause no offence or danger to public health.
- 1.4. The handling of the remains must be carried out in a proper way by an undertaker and a disinfectant solution must be freely used.
- 1.5. The police authorities must be notified in writing at least seven (7) days before exhumation takes place.
- 1.6. All conditions imposed by the relevant local government(s), the Department of Health and any other authority must be complied with.
- 1.7. Any conditions imposed by the cemetery authorities must be complied with.
- 1.8. The permission holds good only in so far as this Administration is concerned.

Yours faithfully



DIRECTOR: GOVERNANCE, TRADITIONAL LEADERSHIP AND IGR

DATE: 16/07/14

APPENDIX G – GAUTENG HEALTH PERMIT

3. Jul. 2014 13:19

No. 0387 P. 3



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THE MANAGER PGS HERITAGE & GRAVE RELOCATIONS (T WALA AMA AFRIKA)

EXHUMATION AND REINTERMENT OF MORTAL REMAINS OF 2 GRAVES

The Department has no objection to the exhumation of the mortal remains of the abovementioned at: Farm VLAKFONTEIN EXT 1&2 and re-interment at: ELANDSFONTEIN CEMETERY.


The following conditions must be complied with:

1. The correct procedures have been followed to notify possible family members or effected parties.
2. Handling of the mortal remains must be done by an Undertaker and disinfectants must be used freely.
3. Under no circumstances must the coffin be opened. It must be placed in a hermetically sealed container and sealed for travelling, and must be placed in a new grave as soon as possible.
4. The proceedings must take place in such a manner that no offence is given, nor is there any danger to public health.
5. The necessary authorities must be notified at least (7) seven days before exhumation is to take place.
6. Any regulations promulgated by the cemetery-authorities must be complied with.

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