DNA analyses of sediment from South Africa: Klipdrift Cave, Klipdrift Shelter, and Blombos Cave

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## **PERMIT: Export (Permanent)**

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

Permit Holder: Prof. Christopher Henshilwood

Evolutionary Studies Institute University of Witwatersrand

Private Bag 3

Object: Blombos Cave 9 DNA sediment samples, Klipdrift Cave 5 DNA sediment samples, Klipdrift Shelter 10

DNA sediment samples **To:** Matthias Meyer

The permit is issued to Prof Chris Henshilwood (Evolutionary Studies Institute, University of the Witwatersrand), on behalf of Dr Matthias Meyer (Max Planck Institute for Evolutionary Anthropology), permanently export 24 sediment samples (max 1 gram each) from Klipdrift Cave, Klipdrift Shelter and Blombos Cave, Western Cape Province, for DNA analysis at the Max-Planck Institut, Leipzig, Germany. The material is currently housed at the Iziko Museum of South Africa in Cape Town.

## **Conditions:**

- 1. Only the selected representatives of the material stored in the collection may be exported.
- 2. The material must be carefully packed and all packaging must be clearly marked with the name of the site (if known), and the name and address of the permit holder or the Iziko Museum of South Africa in Cape Town.
- 3. The material will be couriered via DHL to Max-Planck Institut, Leipzig, Germany.
- 4. Dr Matthias Meyer is responsible for the analysis of the material and its transport to the above mentioned institutions/collections.
- 5. The samples must be used for study purposes only, and may not be sold or exchanged.
- 6. The material may not be loaned to any person or institution other than the above stated participants in the study, without the consent of SAHRA.
- 7. Destructive analysis or sampling may be undertaken.

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- 8. A report on the activities undertaken in terms of this permit must be emailed to <a href="mailto:apmpermitreports@sahra.org.za">apmpermitreports@sahra.org.za</a> before 31 January 2021 using the template in the following link: <a href="https://sahris.sahra.org.za/content/apmpermitreports">https://sahris.sahra.org.za/content/apmpermitreports</a>.
- 9. Copies of any papers that may result from the export of the material must be lodged with SAHRA.
- 10. SAHRA 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. SAHRA reserves the right to cancel this permit by notice to the permit holder.
- 12. Should any legal proceedings arise with regard to this permit or the transport and loan of the material, these proceedings must be addressed within in the South African legislative framework.
- 13. Request to renew permits must be done at least two months prior to the expiry of the existing permit.

This permit is valid from 31/01/2020

Ragna Redelstorff

Heritage Officer

South African Heritage Resources Agency

Phillip Hine

Manager: Archaeology, Palaeontology and Meteorites Unit

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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.

ADMIN: Direct URL to case: http://www.sahra.org.za/node/530209