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## SUBMISSION TO SAHRA NOMINATION AND GRADING COMMITTEE

[The information below should be provided in addition to SAHRA Form 601 for Nomination of sites as National Heritage]

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NOMINATION OF SITE FOR GRADE 1 STATUS AS A FIRST STEP IN THE PROCESS OF NOMINATION AS A NATIONAL HERITAGE SITE UNDER SECTION 27(3) OF THE NATIONAL HERITAGE RESOURCES ACT (ACT NO. 25 OF 1999)

### NAME OF SITE, PROVINCE

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**Name of property:** *(Site Name)*  
**Erf No. :** *(For farms give Farm name, number and portion)*  
**Co-ordinates and map reference:** *(Where possible WPGS84 datum and decimal, otherwise give source)*  
**Owner:** *(Owner's Name)*  
**Contact Details:** *(Phone number; Fax Number [Email])*  
**Contact person:** *(Name and Capacity of Contact Person)*

## 1 STATEMENT OF SIGNIFICANCE

*(What is the heritage value of this site, what is its status? We suggest a paragraph or two is given here as introduction. Then:)*

Section 27(1) of the National Heritage Resources Act (NHRA), Act No. 25 of 1999, mandates the South African Heritage Resources Agency (SAHRA) to identify heritage resources with qualities so exceptional that they are of special national significance. Once such resources are identified, a written motivation must be prepared in terms of the heritage assessment criteria set out in Section 3(2), and specified for Grade I national heritage resources in the draft SAHRA Regulations on Grading System and Heritage Resources Assessment Criteria. [SITE NAME] qualifies for national heritage status because of its:

- (a) **Importance in the pattern of South Africa's history.** *(Give a couple of sentences explaining the significance of the site in terms of the above; this may include potential significance of the resource at regional or international level).*
- (b) **Possession of uncommon, rare or endangered aspects of South Africa's natural or cultural heritage.** *(Give a couple of sentences explaining the significance of the site in terms of the above; this may include potential significance of the resource at regional or international level).*
- (c) **Potential to yield information that will contribute to an understanding of South Africa's natural or cultural heritage.** *(Give a couple of sentences explaining the*

- significance of the site in terms of the above; this may include potential significance of the resource at regional or international level).*
- (d) **Importance in demonstrating the principal characteristics of a particular class of South Africa are natural or cultural places or objects.** *(Give a couple of sentences explaining the significance of the site in terms of the above; this may include potential significance of the resource at regional or international level).*
  - (e) **Importance in exhibiting particular aesthetic characteristics valued by a community or cultural group.** *(Give a couple of sentences explaining the significance of the site in terms of the above).*
  - (f) **Importance in demonstrating a high degree of creative or technical achievement at a particular period.** *(Give a couple of sentences explaining the significance of the site in terms of the above; this may include potential significance at both regional and international level).*
  - (g) **Strong or special association with a particular community or cultural group for social, cultural or spiritual reasons.** *(Give a couple of sentences explaining the significance of the site in terms of the above).*
  - (h) **Strong or special association with the life or work of a person, group or organisation of importance in the history of South Africa.** *(Give a couple of sentences explaining the significance of the site in terms of the above).*
  - (i) **Significance relating to the history of slavery in South Africa.** *(Give a couple of sentences explaining the significance of the site in terms of the above; and this may include how this will contribute to understanding of slavery at both regional and international level).*

## **2 MOTIVATION FOR DECLARATION AS A NATIONAL HERITAGE SITE**

Give a paragraph or two motivating the declaration of the site with reference to its status, history and national significance.

## **3 HISTORY OF THE PLACE**

The history of (Site Name) . . . *[Give a couple of paragraphs, or perhaps a page, summarising the core history that is relevant to the heritage value of this site. Use of bullets is acceptable].*

## **4 DESCRIPTION OF PHYSICAL PROPERTIES**

Give a description [about half a page or so] of the core features of the site, [indicating which features/components contribute largely to its national significance]. Indicate whether these features fall into one property or extend to other properties. A sketch plan may be necessary to illustrate the point.

## **5 STAKEHOLDERS, MANAGING AUTHORITIES AND CONSERVATION BODIES**

Provide a few paragraphs indicating who the main stakeholders are. Highlight briefly any potential threats or challenges to the integrity and authenticity of the site. Indicate any critical issues or potential challenges that SAHRA may have to address, especially in relation to Sections 27(8) and 27(11)

## **6 PHOTOGRAPH**

*[Ideally photographs should be in colour (at least for the final nomination documentation). The locality plan should locate the position of the site on a 1:10 000 or 1: 50 000 map, (for the final nomination an aerial photograph or map with the site boundaries marked on it will be required) Photographs should be pertinent and acknowledged].*

## **7 GENERAL COMMENTS**

*The following are general comments from SAHRA on the format of the nomination:*

- 1. Ask yourself: Is this site one of the first 100 sites that truly have NATIONAL significance?*
- 2. Emphasise the core reasons for the significance of the site, avoid long historical description except where this is relevant to the significance of the site.*
- 3. Maintain objectivity: Avoid value-laden statements or flowery adjectives.*
- 4. When filling in the comments on the right side of the Nomination Form do not merely indicate that the site is national but rather WHY it is national (what the reasons are).*
- 5. Figures and Maps must be numbered consecutively (Give the source references in brackets after Figure Caption).*
- 6. Mark the site(s) clearly on the maps. Establish if the site extends to other properties and ensure that all components of the site are mapped. Lack of consideration of this may lead to wrong delineation of site boundaries, thereby leading to declarations that only represent a smaller component (or even less significant part) of the site.*
- 7. Indicate if there is need for consideration of buffer zones, bearing in mind issues discussed under item 5 above (on stakeholders and managing authorities). Also indicate if there are any threats from developments.*
- 8. Please give the Bibliography in the format: Author. Date. Title. Place of Publication: Publisher.*

## **8 BIBLIOGRAPHY**

*e.g.*

*Tobias. P.V. & Clarke, R.J. 1996. Faunal evidence and Sterkfontein Member 2 footbones of early man. *Science* **271**:1301-1302.*

## **9 NAME AND CONTACT DETAILS OF NOMINEE**

**10 DATE**