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Adriaan Botha, Chairman The South African Institute for Heritage Science and Conservation

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Dear Chairman Botha,

Thank you for your letter and attachments referencing The South African Institute for Heritage Science and Conservation. I am happy to report that my own areas of expertise are conservation work with indigenous communities, conservation of organic materials such as leather, basketry and featherwork, and preventive or environmental conservation. I would be most willing to be approached to provide external supervision within research topics where my own expertise could contribute.

I also sustain a high interest and considerable experience in conservation education, and so I would also be delighted to be considered as an external program evaluator.

Each of these offers is of course pending my own busy academic schedule, and your own schedule needs. I wish you continued success in your initiative.

With all best wishes,

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Ellen Pearlstein Associate Professor