



Paleoanthropology Society

The Paleoanthropology Society was founded in 1992. It recognizes that paleoanthropology is multidisciplinary in nature and the organization's central goal is to bring together physical anthropologists, archaeologists, paleontologists, geologists and a range of other researchers whose work has the potential to shed light on hominid behavioral and biological evolution.

As President of the Paleoanthropology Society and with the approval of its members I am writing to express my concern about the granting of a permit to mine the site of Canteen Kopje, Northern Cape Province. Canteen Kopje has been known as an important site for the study of early humans for over one hundred years and it remains the subject of ongoing research and publication. We still have a great deal to learn from this unique location and mining would result in the complete destruction of this major cultural resource. I urge all involved to maintain Canteen Kopje as a heritage site and a site of scientific research.

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