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Letter for the University of Cape Town

Peter the Great Museum of Anthropology and Ethnography (Kunstkamera) of the Russian Academy of Sciences

## Dear Colleagues!

On behalf of Peter the Great Museum of Anthropology and Ethnography (Kunstkamera) of the Russian Academy of Sciences let me express our solidarity and deep sympathy with all of you - staff, teachers and students of the University of Cape Town, in connection with the loss of the university library, which extensive collection of books included a treasure trove of works by Africanists, painstakingly collected over the years by the toil of numerous researchers and lovingly kept by the library staff. This is an irreparable loss for the global academic community.

We hope that restoration work on the library and other university buildings can be started soon. We express our full support to you in this time of crisis.

Director of Peter the Great Museum of Anthropology and Ethnography (Kunstkamera) of the Russian Academy of Sciences Prof. Andrei Golovnev