

**Center for Archaeology & Society Repository**

**MEMORANDUM**

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To: Entities Seeking Curation Services

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RE: Moratorium on the Acceptance of New Anthropological Collections

The Center for Archaeology and Society Repository (CASR) is currently conducting a full inventory and assessment of policies and procedure for anthropological collections housed within CASR spaces. This inventory and assessment are necessary for Federal compliance and strategic long-term planning for curation. As such, no new curation agreements, nor acceptance of new anthropological materials will be made by CASR – including those from Federal, State, Private, or unknown provenience. Exceptions are as follows:

- Existing agreed upon curation agreements
- School of Human Evolution and Social Change (SHESC) faculty, as agreed to by the Curator of Collections
- Collections deemed vital to Native American Graves Protection and Repatriation Act (NAGPRA) compliance by the Curator of Collections

This moratorium on the acceptance of new anthropological collections will be reviewed annually to determine potential revisions and the necessity of its continuation.