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Letter of Support

To whom it may concern:

As a public museum and research institution the Museum am Rothenbaum (MARKK) seeks to promote research on our museum collections and archives and its publication and dissemination via diverse media.

Therefore, we are pleased to support Sigbjørn Rønbeck's project "Captain Adrian Jacobsen Society", which will foster and bring together different projects and aspects on the important life and work of the Norwegian traveler and entrepreneur Johan Adrian Jacobsen.

With the Jacobsen archive comprising Jacobsen's diaries, written records, letters, newspaper cuttings, photographs and two ethnographic collections our Museum holds an essential part of Jacobsen's huge and widely scattered estate. The increasing number of research requests concerning this archive clearly demonstrates its fundamental importance in bringing more light into the historic contexts of Jacobsen's undertakings and his own ambivalent role. Moreover, Jacobsen's work and legacy is vital for the cultural identity of many native communities whose forebears had once been studied or visited under colonial circumstances.

For this reason, we feel pleased to support and to contribute to the "Captain Adrian Jacobsen Society" within the scope of our resources by sharing articles, documents and weblinks concerning our archive and collections. We are convinced that it could provide an important platform for bundling the so far scattered information and research projects on J.A. Jacobsen and thus establishing a better accessibility, exchange and networking for the public and all interested parties involved.

Sincerely.

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