## Memorandum of Understanding (MOU)

WHEREAS, Winthrop University's Department of Sociology, Criminology, and Anthropology and the Institute for African Studies of the Russian Academy of Sciences agree to come together to collaborate on research projects and research proposals dealing with the advent of social inequality and the rise of social complexity cross-culturally. The name of this collaborative research project shall be "Interdisciplinary Research on the Origins and Historical Forms of Social Inequality and Social Complexity Cross-Culturally." This collaboration will include but will not be limited to the sharing of research findings by way of published materials, informal communiqués, and facilitating visits to respective institutions. This MOU shall become effective upon signature by the partners and will remain in effect until modified or terminated by any one of the partners. Any third parties may be involved in this collaborative research project as equal in rights partners. We, the undersigned have read and agree with this MOU.

By Dr. Jeannie Haubert (Winth	rop University)
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